

THE LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

COUNCIL

3 October 2019

MINUTES

A meeting of the Council was held at 9.15am on 3 October 2019 in in B.07 at 32 Lincoln's Inn Fields

**Present:** Dr Susan Liautaud (interim Chair) (excluding minutes 12-14, when not present), Ali Nikpay (Vice-Chair) (Chair from minutes 12-14), Dame Minouche Shafik (Director), Professor Martin Anthony, Zulum Elumogo, John Hughes, Nigel Hugill, Professor Simona Iammarino, Roger Mountford, Dr Claudine Provencher, Professor Terhi Rantanen, Elisabeth Stheeman and Professor Alex Voorhoeve.

**Apologies:** Alastair Da Costa, Sir David Higgins, Donald Kaberuka, Akash Mehta.

**In attendance:** Professor Julia Black, Mike Ferguson, Professor Dilly Fung, Louise Nadal, Professor Eric Neumayer, Julian Robinson, Ian Spencer, Professor David Webb, Andrew Young and Hilary Hunter. *(All left the meeting except Louise Nadal and Hilary Hunter after minute 7)*

**Apologies:** Professor Simon Hix, Dr Brigid McClure, Thomas Watson.

WELCOME

1. NOTED: Council welcomed Dr Claudine Provencher to her first meeting and Professor Martin Anthony who was returning to Council.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. NOTED: There were no declarations of interest.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11 JUNE 2019

3. RESOLVED: To approve the minutes as a correct record of the meeting.

MATTERS ARISING AND ANY OTHER BUSINESS

4. NOTED: There were no matters of report.

REPORT FROM THE MEETING OF FINANCE AND ESTATES COMMITTEE HELD ON 5 SEPTEMBER 2019

**RESTRICTED BUSINESS**

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE 6 SEPTEMBER 2019: REPORT ON MATTERS DEALT WITH AT THE MEETING IN RESPECT OF HONORARY AWARDS, COMMITTEE COMPOSITION AND COURT

8. RECEIVED: CL/2, the Report from the meeting of Governance Committee held on 6 September 2019.

9. NOTED:

- a) the issues set out in the paper regarding the composition of governance committees, including the establishment of the Honorary Awards Committee;
- b) there would be future consideration at Council about membership of Court, particularly with regard to whether Council members should retain membership, and Court Operational Principles;
- c) the Students' Union would not be appointing new members to Court.

10. RESOLVED:

- a) to approve the nominations of two candidates for the award of an Honorary Fellowship as set out in the paper (noting that the proposal was subject to endorsement by Academic Board);
- b) to confirm the recommendation that the Vice-Chair of Council and Court be appointed as interim Chair of Court until the end of the 2019/20 academic year.

**COMMITTEE MINUTES AND REPORTS**

11. RECEIVED and NOTED:

- a) Doc 1, report from the meeting of Academic Board held on 29 May 2019;
- b) Doc 2, report from the meeting of Academic Planning and Resources Committee held on 4 June 2019.
- c) Doc 3, report from the meeting of Audit Committee held on 21 May 2019.
- d) Doc 4, report from the meeting of Governance Committee held on 3 June 2019.
- e) Doc 5, report from the meeting of Governance Committee held on 6 September 2019.
- f) Doc 6, report from the meeting of School Ethics Committee held on 22 May 2019.
- g) Doc 7, report from the meeting of Finance and Estates Committee held on 5 September 2019.

**GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE 6 SEPTEMBER 2019: REPORT ON THE APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIR OF COUNCIL**

12. RECEIVED: CL/3, a paper on the Appointment of the Chair of Council.

13. RESOLVED:

- a) to approve the appointment of the Vice-Chair of Council to oversee the arrangements for the selection of the Chair of Council and as Chair of the Selection Panel as set out;
- b) to approve that the interim Chair of Council be asked to continue in this capacity until a permanent appointment was made, subject to review by Governance Committee;
- c) to authorise Governance Committee to appoint a search agency to assist the process of selecting a Chair of Council.

14. NOTED:

- a) the proposed remit and composition of the 'Chair of Council Selection Panel' as set out and that the Vice-Chair would solicit nominations for membership which would come back to Council for approval following recommendation from the Governance Committee

**RESTRICTED BUSINESS**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.15am.