



UNIVERSITY COURT

A meeting of the University Court will be held at 2.00pm on Monday 6 June 2016 in the Board Room on level 10 at Ninewells Hospital.

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AGENDA

- Notes:* (1) *Matters on which discussion is expected are included in Part A of the Agenda. Part B comprises other matters for report/approval. At the beginning of the meeting the Chairman will give members the opportunity to identify items in Part B on which they would wish to comment or ask questions.*
- (2) *The review of the effectiveness and performance of the Court will be held as a separate Part (C) of the agenda.*
- (3) *Items indicated as reserved business are to be discussed in closed session by members of Court and appropriate University officers (at the invitation of the Chair).*
- (4) *Members should declare at the beginning of the meeting, or during the meeting if it becomes appropriate to do so, any pecuniary or other material interest they may have in any matter which is to be discussed by the Court. In cases of doubt, further advice may be obtained from the Secretary of the University (tel. 01382 384006).*

1. APOLOGIES

2. MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting on 18 April 2016 enclosed.

A

3. MATTERS ARISING

(1) Chairman's report (Minute 49)

To note an update in relation to the UCU ballot for industrial action.

B

(2) Financial Sustainability Report and Plan (Minute 50)

To note that the Chairman had replied to the DUCU Branch Secretary and had offered to meet with them, but that no reply had been received as yet.

(3) Credit Facility

To note that the documentation required to finalise arrangements and enter into the £40m borrowing facility with the Bank of Scotland had been signed by the University Secretary and the Director of Finance on 30/05/2016.

4. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORTS**

The Chairman's regular report and annual report to Court are enclosed. **C1, C2**

5. **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Report enclosed. **D**

PART A – MATTERS ON WHICH DISCUSSION IS EXPECTED

6. **STRATEGY AND SUSTAINABILITY MATTERS**

(1) Financial Sustainability Report and Plan

To consider a paper outlining progress and next steps in relation to transformation projects. **E**

(2) RESERVED BUSINESS: STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL
Business Transformation

The University would normally expect to withhold information on the basis of S.30(b)(ii), S.30(c), S.33(1)(b), and/or S.36(2)(b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

Paper enclosed. **F**

(3) Budget 2016/17 and 2016 Strategic Plan Forecast for SFC

Paper enclosed from the Director of Finance. **G**

7. **UNIVERSITY STRATEGY TO 2017: LEARNING AND TEACHING KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

Report enclosed. **H**

8. **UNIVERSITY STRATEGY TO 2017: PEOPLE PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

Report enclosed. **I**

9. **COMMITTEES**

(1) Report of the Finance & Policy Committee meeting on 9 May 2016

Report enclosed. **J**

- (2) Governance & Nominations Committee
- Report enclosed of the Committee's meeting on 9 May 2016, including recommendations for Committee membership for 2016/17. **K**
- (3) Audit Committee Minutes
- Report enclosed of the Committee's meeting on 18 May 2016, including an updated Institutional Risk Register. **L**
- (4) Human Resources Committee
- Report enclosed of the Committee's meeting on 16 May 2016. **M**
10. **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SPORTS UNION**
- The President of the Sports Union will answer questions on the report. **N**
11. **DUNDEE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION – ANNUAL REPORT**
- The President of the Dundee University Students' Association will answer questions on the report. **O**
12. **COURT RETREAT**
- To note that the Court Retreat will be held at the Westpark Conference Centre from 4pm 8 September to 4.30 pm on 9 September 2016. A programme for the retreat will be circulated shortly and members are invited to indicate topics of particular interest to the Chair of Court or University Secretary.
- PART B – OTHER MATTERS FOR REPORT OR APPROVAL*
13. **EMERGENCY COMMITTEE**
- The Court is invited to follow precedent in remitting the transaction of any urgent routine Court business over the summer to an Emergency Committee, comprising the Principal or a Vice-Principal (Convener), two lay members (normally the Chairman of Court and the Convener of the Finance & Policy Committee), one other staff member, and a student member where available – subject to a report on any action taken being submitted to the first business meeting of the Court in 2016/17.
14. **GOVERNANCE MATTERS**
- Paper enclosed from the Director of Academic & Corporate Governance **P**
15. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE SENATUS ACADEMICUS**
- Reports enclosed of the meeting of the Senate on 25 May 2016. **Q**
16. **2016/17 OUTCOME AGREEMENT WITH THE SFC**
- To note the final agreement as updated for 2016/17 was submitted to the SFC on 19/04/2016 (enclosed for information). **R**

17. **WELFARE AND ETHICAL USE OF ANIMALS COMMITTEE**

Reports enclosed of the Committee's meeting on 13 April 2016. **S**

18. **STAFF COUNCIL/ACADEMIC COUNCIL**

Reports enclosed of the Council's meetings on 2 March and 25 April 2016. **T1, T2**

19. **STAFF**

(1) Statute 16 Matters

The University Secretary will, if necessary, update the Court on matters relating to Grievances, Appeals and Hearings under Statute.

The Court is invited to consider and, if so minded, approve the appointment of Mr David Hossack LLB, in accordance with Statute 16 paragraph 28(2) as '*a person not employed by the University holding, or having held, judicial office or being advocates or solicitors of at least ten years' standing*' to hear the appeal under Part V of Statute 16 from a member of staff.

(2) Professorial and Grade 10 Appointments

Report enclosed. **U**

20. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

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PART C

21. **ANNUAL REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE & EFFECTIVENESS OF COURT**

Paper enclosed. **V**