

# COUNCIL

# Tuesday 8 July 2014

# **MINUTES**

PRESENT:

Sir Stephen Wall (Chair)

Professor Michael Arthur (President and Provost) Mr Mohammed Zayyan Butt Ms Philippa Foster Back Mr Keir Gallagher Mr Simon Melliss (*Treasurer*) Dr Gill Samuels Professor Chris Thompson Professor David Attwell Mr Ven Balakrishnan Lord Clement-Jones Dr Martin Fry Dr Saladin Meckled-Garcia Ms Vivienne Parry (*Vice-Chair*) Dr Stephanie Schorge Professor Maria Wyke

*In attendance*: Professor Stephen Caddick (Vice-Provost (Enterprise)); Mr Andrew Grainger (Director of UCL Estates) *[for Minute 146];* Mr Phil Harding (Director of Finance and Business Affairs); Dame DeAnne Julius (Chair-elect); Mr Omar Khan (Ethics, Environment & Operations Officer-elect, UCLU) *[for Minutes 117-125];* Mr Rex Knight (Vice-Provost (Operations)); Mr Lukmaan Kolia (Education & Campaigns Officer-elect, UCLU) *[for Minutes 117-125];* Mr Nick McGhee (Acting Secretary to Council); Professor David Price (Vice-Provost (Research)); Professor Anthony Smith (Vice-Provost (Education)); Professor Sir John Tooke (Vice-Provost (Health)) and Mr Martin Walsh (Commercial Director, Finance and Business Affairs) *[for Minute 146].* 

Apologies for absence were received from Dame Nicola Brewer (Vice-Provost (International)), Ms Carol Lake, Ms Katharine Roseveare, Professor Nick Tyler and Baroness Warwick.

Key to abbreviations used in these Minutes: DARO **Development and Alumni Relations Office Finance Committee** FC HEFCE Higher Education Funding Council for England lοE Institute of Education Institute of Ophthalmology loO Moorfields Eye Hospital MEH Office for Standards in Education OFSTED REF Research Excellence Framework SLMS School of Life and Medical Sciences UCLU

# **Preliminary Formal Business**

# 117 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

## Noted

117.1 Any member of Council who had (or who knew of a family member who had) a material, personal, financial or other beneficial interest in any item on the Agenda was requested to declare that interest at the beginning of the meeting in order that such declaration could be recorded in these minutes. No such interests were declared.

#### 118 QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS 2014

#### Noted

118.1	APPENDIX C 6/90 (13-14)	a paper detailing members of the UCL

#### Reported

118.2 On behalf of Council the Chair congratulated all those concerned.

#### 119 **MINUTES**

#### Approved

119.1 The Minutes of the Council meeting held on 20 May 2014 [Council Minutes 98-116, 2013-14] were confirmed by Council and signed by the Chair.

#### 120 FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

#### Noted

120.1 The draft Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 10 June 2014.

#### 121 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

[See Minutes 122, 125 and 140 below]

# Matters for discussion

# 122 **PROVOST'S BUSINESS**

## Received

122.1 An oral report from Professor Michael Arthur, President and Provost.

# 122A Dean of Faculty of the Built Environment

#### Reported

122A.1 Professor Alan Penn had been reappointed Dean of the Faculty of the Built Environment with effect from 1 September 2014 for a period of five years.

# 122B UCL Academy

#### Reported

122B.1 A report on the governance arrangements for the UCL Academy was at APPENDIX C 6/109 (13-14) [see Minute 140 below]. A report to the

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# 126 UCLU REPORT

#### Received

126.1 Oral reports from Mohammed Zayyan Butt, Ethics, Environment and Operations Officer, and Keir Gallagher, Education and Campaigns Officer, UCLU.

#### Reported

#### 126.2 Notable UCLU initiatives in 2013-14 had included: campaigns relating to

Assistants; the development of a London NUS structure to provide a pan-London voice for students; working with the Registry on the development of a UCL Fitness to Study policy and the capturing of data in relation to students with responsibilities as carers; and the development of an Estates and Funding Strategy and an HR action plan for UCLU staff. Other notable achievements included the reintroduction of the Varsity Forum, the creation of a sustainability framework for UCL Council

#### Reported

130.2 The Director of UCL Estates would be invited to an autumn meeting of the Council to discuss the risk presented by HS2.

#### 131 ESTATES AND FUNDING STRATEGY

#### Received

- 131.1 APPENDIX C 6/99 (13-14) a review of funding options in respect of Strategy, prepared by external advisers KPMG in consultation with UCL officers.
- **RESOLVED** on recommendation of Finance Committee
- 131.2That the proposal for UCL officers to progress plans for securing<br/>borrowing of circa £300 million as projected in financial modelling<br/>undertaken to date be approved.

#### 132 FINANCIAL REGULATIONS – AMENDMENTS

#### Received

- 132.1 APPENDIX C 6/100 (13-14) the revised UCL Finance Regulations.
- **RESOLVED** on recommendation of Finance Committee
- 132.2That the revised Financial Regulations and the process for<br/>approving changes in the future be approved.

#### 133 HEFCE FINANCIAL FORECASTS

#### Received

133.1 APPENDIX C 6/101 (13-14) the annual accountability returns to be submitted to HEFCE, including financial forecasts for 2014-15 to 2016-17 and an update of the 2013-14 position submitted in December 2014.

#### RESOLVED

133.2That the annual accountability returns to be submitted to HEFCE be<br/>approved.

#### 134 CENTRAL CAMPUS CONSTRUCTION LOGISTICS

#### Received

134.1 APPENDIX C 6/103 (13-14) a business case to procure a logistics partner to manage construction logistics and minimise the impact

works during the Central Campus Capital Programme.

**RESOLVED** on recommendation of Finance Committee

# 134.2That the proposal to procure a logistics partner to manage<br/>construction logistics be approved.

#### 135 CHARLES BELL HOUSE / MAPLE STREET

#### Received

- 135.1 APPENDIX C 6/104 (13-14) requests for additional funds of £3.3m to be added to the existing costs of £13.7m for the refurbishment of the Charles Bell House, and to enter into a lease for 4-8 Maple Street and to approve fit out estate costs of £2.25m in order to relocate the Division of Psychiatry from Charles Bell House.
- **RESOLVED** on recommendation of Finance Committee

# 135.2That the proposals for additional funds for refurbishing Charles Bell<br/>House and leasing 4-8 Maple Street be approved.

## 136 GAS AND ELECTRICITY

#### Received

- 136.1 APPENDIX C 6/105 (13-14) a proposal that UCL extend its current contract with The Energy Consortium.
- **RESOLVED** on the recommendation of Finance Committee
- 136.2That the proposal for UCL to extend its existing energy purchasing<br/>arrangement for two years be approved.

# 137 **INSTITUTE OF OPHTHALMOLOGY**

#### Received

- 137.1 APPENDIX C 6/106 (13-14) proposals in relation to the relocation of the Institute of Ophthalmology (IoO) with its key partner Moorfields Eye Hospital (MEH), from the existing site at Bath Street / City Road.
- **RESOLVED** on the recommendation of Finance Committee
- 137.2 That the proposal to progress to the next stage of planning to relocate IoO and MEH to a single site at an estimated cost to UCL of £25m, and further professional fees of up to £10m to reach the construction tender stage, be approved.