



COUNCIL

Thursday 15 March 2018

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Dame DeAnne Julius (*Chair*)

Ms Sarah Al-Aride
Mr Dominic Blakemore
Professor Annette Dolphin
Professor Patrick Haggard
Ms Nahid Majid
Mr Turlogh O'Brien

Professor Michael Arthur (*President and Provost*)
Professor Lucie Clapp
Dr Andrew Gould
Mr Hamza Jamshaid
Ms Lindsay Nicholson
Dr Hynek Pikhart

WP	Widening Participation
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64I **Pensions**

- 64I.1 The Provost provided an update on the current status of the industrial action in relation to the USS pensions dispute. UUK had asked UCL whether it wished to support the original proposal or the revised proposal

- 65.6 The approach being taken to BSU rationalisation was also discussed and the appointment of consultants to assist with this noted.
- 65.7 The recruitment of high-quality senior staff to the UCL Estates team had now been completed and the focus would turn to the next level down in the UCL Estates team. It was confirmed that UCL financial regulations were adhered to when UCL Estates procured consultants.
- 65.8 The Capital Programme was now fully committed and attention would need to turn to financing the next period of estates development⁶⁵.

67.3 UCL IoE priorities were: to continue with activities intended to support financial sustainability; to continue to support cross-UCL initiatives through leadership of and/or participation; to plan for the further phases of the Masterplan for work on the UCL IoE estate; to continue with activity intended to support UCL IoE staff well-being; and to continue the work being undertaken to strengthen UCL IoE's ability to influence policy making.

67.4 Council congratulated Professor Francis and the IoE on the significant progress that had been made since merger. Council discussed the reasons behind BA Education satisfaction levels and the likelihood of satisfaction improvements in the future. Council noted that the foundation degree programme was being refreshed following its transfer to a different department within IoE; this programme was a key part of IoE's WP offer. Members queried whether there was scope to expand the successful pre-sessional academic writing programme within IoE to the rest of UCL and learnt that the recruitment of a director of academic writing was in progress.

68. **STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING**

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February 2018 until the new Head of Department was appointed.

73. **MINUTES OF ACADEMIC BOARD AND ACADEMIC COMMITTEE**

[Paper 4-52, 2017-18]

73.1 **Received** - the minutes of Academic Committee on the 2 November 2017 and the unconfirmed minutes of Academic Board on the 17 January 2018.

74. **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

74.1 The next meetings was scheduled for 27 April 2018 in the Plexal Innovation Centre London, Here East.

Wendy Appleby
Secretary to Council
March 2018