SENATE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of 19 April 2022

Present: Karl Leydecker (Chair), Tracey Slaven, Ondrej Kucerak, Ruth Taylor, Marion Campbell, Kirsty Kiezebrink, Scott Styles, Iain McEwan, and Rachael Bernard (Clerk)

Apologies for absence were received from: David Mercieca, Abbe Brown, Graeme Nixon, Cheryl Dowie, Amy Bryzgel and Neil Vargesson

527. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 17 February 2022

- 527.1 The Committee approved the minutes of the meeting held on 17 February 2022
- 527.2 Scott Styles recorded his apologies formally to the Vice-Principal (Education) for comments made previously regarding grade inflation. Scott acknowledged that his comments had been out of line.

528. Draft Agenda for the meeting of the Senate on 11 May 2022

- 528.1 In approving the Draft Agenda the committee noted:
 - That the papers included with the draft agenda were not the final versions and that updated papers would be included when papers were circulated to Senate. Papers released to the Committee to support consideration of the agenda should not be regarded as the final versions.
 - The Committee noted that the meeting would be held in person with the usual lunch ahead of the meeting.
 - The Committee were supportive of the inclusion of indicative timings on the agenda and noted that these were not fixed. The intention is that they should be considered as guidance was noted and that it was anticipated that sticking to time should be more manageable now that in-person meetings were once again possible.
 - In discussing the ordering of education and research items on the agenda, the committee noted that no hierarchy was intended. The order of items on the agenda is dictated by practicalities regarding available of individuals to be in attendance for items relevant to them.

529. Senate Elections

529.1 The Committee approved the schedule for the election of elected members to the Senate (copy filed with principal copy of the minutes).

530. School PGR Officer and Coordinator for Law

530.1 The Committee noted that Matyas Bodig had taken over as the School PGR Officer and Coordinator for Law on an interim basis. The Committee approved the appointment of Péter Cserne from 01 July 2022

531. Dates of meetings in 2022/23

- 531.1 The Committee noted that the next dates of the meetings to be held in 2022/23 would be as follows:
 - o Wednesday 24 August 2022 at 2.05 p.m.
 - o Wednesday 12 October 2022 at 2.05 p.m.
 - o Wednesday 18 January 2023 at 1.35 p.m.
 - o Wednesday 29 March 2023 at 2.05 p.m.
 - o Wednesday 17 May 2023 at 3.05 p.m.
- 531.2 In noting the dates for 2022/23, it was highlighted that the new student representatives (School Conveners) would not be elected and trained in time for the fist meeting of Senate in 2022/23.