

# BoS 20 September 2023

Wednesday, 20th September 2023 2:15pm

Teams | Faculty of Science Board of Studies

## Attendees

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### Attended

Rachael Bedford

Teresa Buckley

Zoe Burke

Andrew Burrows

Duncan Craig (Chair)

Susan Crennell

Paula Gabriel

Marguerite Hallett (Secretary)

Amanda Harper

Philip Ingham

Matthew Jones

Amanda Pedley

Fei Qin

Philip Rogers

Tim Rogers

Tony Shardlow

Gan Shermer

Jeyabal Sivaloganathan

Gunnar Traustason

Ventsislav Valev

Stephen Ward

Michael Wilson

Michael Wright

## **Did Not Attend**

Florin Bisset

Charlotte Dodson

Eamonn O'Neill

Dmitry Skryabin

David Tsang

## **1.0 Welcome and Quorum (7466)**

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The Chair welcomed members, noted apologies and observed that the meeting was quorate. The Board noted that no student reps had been invited as they had not yet been allocated.

## **2.0 Declarations of Interest (7467)**

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There were no declarations of any potential conflicts of interest.

## **3.0 Minutes of the Previous Meeting (7468)**

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The Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting held on 19 July 2023 (Paper 1).

## **4.0 Matters Arising (7469)**

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Minute 7453 Semester 2 Scaling Report and Errors in Examination Papers:

The Board noted that at its meeting on 18 October, FLTQC will consider a draft Faculty policy on examination paper scrutiny produced by the Associate Dean (Education) and informed by the recommendations made by BoS at its meeting on 19 July. The Associate Dean (Education) invited members to submit any additional comments to those captured in the BoS minutes that they wished to make.

The Board also noted that the suggestion had been made to Registry that the centre employ professional invigilators externally, with a view to reducing the number of Assistant Invigilators not attending examinations to which they had been allocated. Registry had advised that the recruitment of sufficient numbers would likely be problematic based on experience across the sector.

## **5.0 Board of Studies Terms of Reference and Membership 2023/24 (7470)**

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The Board reviewed the Board of Studies Terms of Reference and membership for 2023/24 (Paper 2), and welcomed new members Dr David Tsang, Department of Physics, and Dr Michael Wilson, Faculty of Engineering and Design.

## **6.0 Chair's Business (7471)**

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The Chair highlighted that the next Board of Studies meetings would take place on 17 October (moved from 11 October), at which UG MAB affected finalist results would be considered, and on 15 November (as previously scheduled), at which UG MAB affected continuing student and PGT finalist results would be considered.

## **7.0 Report on Research Grants (7472)**

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The Board received details of awards accepted by Research and Innovation Services from 28 June until 12 September 2023 (Paper 3).

The Chair congratulated in particular:

- Dr Benjamin Morgan, Department of Chemistry, for his award of £442,110 from the EPSRC for research into CATMAT Phase 2.
- Dr Julien Licchesi, Department of Life Sciences, for his award of £439,712 from the MRC for research into Proteostatic Regulation of Glioblastoma Stemness.
- Professor Tiffany Taylor, Department of Life Sciences, for her award of £536,831 from The Royal Society for research into the Role of Genetic and Environmental Drivers in Novel Gene Regulation.
- Dr Marcel Ortgiese, Department of Mathematical Sciences, for his award of £435,328 from the EPSRC for research into the Interplay between Geometry and Randomness in Fitness Landscapes for Expanding Populations.
- Dr Kristina Rusimova, Department of Physics, for her award of £592,492 from the EPSRC for research into Shining Light on Single Molecule Dynamics: A Pathway to Digital Chemistry.

## **8.0 University Board of Studies (Doctoral) (7473)**

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The Board noted the minutes of the meeting held on 26 July 2023 (Paper 4).

## **9.0 Staff Student Liaison Committee meetings (7474)**

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The Board noted the minutes of the meetings held on:

Department of Life Sciences: Biology and Biochemistry 26 July 2023 (PGT) (Paper 5).

Department of Computer Science 5 June (PGT online) (Paper 6A) and 21 July (PGT) (Paper 6B) 2023.

Department of Life Sciences: Pharmacy and Pharmacology 26 July 2023 (PGT) (Paper 7).

## **10.0 Any Other Business (7475)**

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There was none.