

University of Wales Trinity Saint David

UNRESTRICTED Minutes of the virtual meeting held at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday 29 September 2022 via Zoom

Present:

Venerable Randolph Thomas (Chair)
Justin Albert
Siwan Davies
Taya Gibbons
Professor Medwin Hughes
Uzo Iwobi
Rowland Jones
Arwel Ellis Owen
Vanessa Liverpool

Dr Conny Matera Rogers
Victoria Provis
Dr Liz Siberry
Dr Kerry Tudor

Observers from the UW Council:

Dr Stuart Robb
Nigel Roberts
Deris Williams

In attendance:

Sarah Clark, Clerk to Council
Steve Baldwin Director of Resources and Business Planning
Gavin Bessant, Director of Financial Services
Andrew Cornish, Principal, Coleg Sir Gar/Ceredigion
Professor Dylan Jones, Deputy Vice-Chancellor

Shône Hughes, Chief of Staff
Jane O'Rourke, Executive Director of Human Resources
Rebecca Doswell (Head of Policy and Planning)
Catrin Beard (Translator)
Margaret Williams (Secretary)

Minute Number	Main discussion points	Action/decision
22.67 Apologies for absence	Apologies for absence were RECEIVED from Maria Steadman.	

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22.68 Declarations of interest	<p>Council RECEIVED the Declarations of Interest as noted in the Clerk's report (CO463).</p> <p>The Clerk reported that one Declaration remained outstanding and that the register would be published on the University's website once it was received.</p>	
22.69 Coleg Sir Gar Board reports	<p>Council RECEIVED the report on the Coleg Sir Gar Board meeting held on 30 June 2022(CO464).</p> <p>The Principal of CSG referred to key items of discussion, including the implementation of the Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Act 2018 and the excellent Estyn report following the recent inspection. He confirmed the current situation in respect of the College's budget and estate development plans.</p>	
22.70 Financial and cashflow report	<p>This is a restricted item and reported within the restricted minutes of the meeting.</p>	
22.71 Senior team succession planning	<p>Council CONSIDERED the updated report of the EDHR (CO466) on the University's approach to Leadership Succession Planning.</p> <p>Members noted the importance of developing a bilingual workforce and discussed the opportunities available to develop Welsh language skills at all levels. The DVC reported that a Welsh Committee had been established which focussed on the promotion of the Welsh language across the University. A strategy was being developed with a focus on developing and upskilling the workforce with a key focus on leaders.</p> <p>Members referred to periods of absence and the need to accelerate the capacity of individuals to cover leadership roles. The EDHR agreed to include reference to this in the report.</p> <p>The Clerk noted that succession planning had been included in the Council workplan for further consideration at the January 2023 meeting.</p>	
22.72 University Council minutes	<p>Council CONFIRMED the minutes of the meeting held on 31 March 2022 as an accurate record (CO447).</p>	
22.73 Student Charter	<p>Council APPROVED the Student Charter 2022/23 (CO468).</p>	
22.74	<p>Council approved the UWTSD / SU Relationship Agreement 2022/23 (CO469).</p>	

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SU Relationship Agreement		
22.75 Emeritus Professor	Council APPROVED the Senate nomination for the conferment of the title of Emeritus Professor on Professor Janet Burton (CO470).	
22.76 Professors of Practice	Council APPROVED the Senate nominations of the following Honorary Professors of Practice as set out in CO471.	
22.77 Scheme of Delegation	Council APPROVED the Scheme of Delegation 2022/23, but requested that NGC give further consideration to the wording in relation to Chair's action (CO472).	
22.78 HEFCW Terms and Conditions of Funding	Council RECEIVED the HEFCW Terms and Conditions of Funding 2022/23 (CO473).	
22.79 Declarations of interest	No additional conflicts of interest were reported during the meeting.	
22.80 Date of the next meeting and for the academic year 2022/2023	Council noted the date of the next meeting and those for the academic year 2022/2023 as follows: Thursday 24/11/2022 Thursday 26/01/2023 Wednesday/Thursday 29-30/03/2023 Thursday 06/07/2023 .	