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Court

Minute of Meeting held on Wednesday 10 October 2007
in The Senate Room

Present:
Mr Anders Aufderhorst-Roberts SRC Assessor, Mr Norman Berry General Council Assessor, Professor John Briggs Senate Assessor, Dr Robin Easton Co-opted Member, Professor Mike French Senate Assessor, Dr Martin Macauley Senate Assessor, Mr Alan Macfarlane General Council Assessor, Mr Jim Mackiechnie Glasgow City Council Assessor, Dr Laura Martin Senate Assessor, Professor Keith Millar Senate Assessor, Ms Mhairi Wilson SRC President, Mr David Ross General Council Assessor, Mr Alex Ross Employee Representative, Sir Muir Russell Principal, Professor Michael Scott-Morton Co-opted Member, Professor Mona Siddiqui Senate Assessor, Mr Kevin Sweeney General Council Assessor, Mrs Joy Travers Chancellor's Assessor (Convener).

In attendance:
Mr Ian Black (Director of Human Resources), Professor John Coggins (Vice-Principal Life Sciences & Medicine), Mr Robert Fraser (Director of Finance), Miss Jan Hulme (Academic Secretary), Professor Neal Juster (Vice-Principal Strategy & Resources), Ms Deborah Maddern (Administrative Officer), Professor Andrew Nash (Clerk of Senate), Mr David Newall (Secretary of Court), Professor Andrea Nolan (Vice-Principal Learning & Teaching), Ms Susan Stewart (Director of Corporate Communications)

Apologies:
Members: Professor Andrew Christie Co-opted Member, Mr Peter Daniels Co-opted Member, Ms Barbara Duffner Co-opted Member, Mr Mordechai Vanunu Rector

Attenders: Professor Steve Beaumont (Vice-Principal Research & Enterprise), Mr Jim McConnell (Director of Estates and Buildings)

CRT/2007/1. Announcements

Court welcomed Ms Mhairi Wilson, the SRC President, and Mr Jim Mackiechnie, the new Glasgow City Council Assessor, to their first meeting as members of Court. Court also welcomed Professor Neal Juster to his first meeting as a Court attender.

CRT/2007/2. Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 27 June 2007

The minutes were approved.

CRT/2007/3. Matters Arising

There were no Matters Arising.
CRT/2007/4.1 Crichton Campus

Court heard that on 20 August, the Cabinet Secretary, Fiona Hyslop, had announced a Government initiative that would allow the University to maintain its presence on the Crichton Campus, including in particular the Liberal Arts degree. The University had welcomed this initiative, noting that the Government's commitment of additional funding would address fully the University's financial deficit at Crichton and allow the University’s activity there to continue on a financially sustainable basis.

As reported to Court in June, the University had had regular contact on Crichton from ministers and senior officials in the weeks following the May election. It had maintained a consistent position, agreed with Court, that the University was willing to consider a continuing presence at Crichton, but only if the financial deficit on its Crichton activity was addressed fully and unambiguously.

Court noted that the proposal which the Cabinet Secretary had endorsed had been put forward by the University itself as setting out the terms on which Glasgow could sustain and enhance its academic activity at Crichton. It had involved a genuine break-even position by 2011/12, if not before, which would allow the University to eliminate its Crichton deficit at least as fast as it could have done through winding down the operation. The financial package had involved some additional funded places for new developments in Social Sciences and in Teacher Education. Crucially, it had involved the University being released from the burden of significant infrastructure costs that it would otherwise have had to bear for several years to come.

Court recorded its approval of the decision taken to retain the University's presence at Crichton, and recorded also its support for the joint academic strategy for Crichton, agreed by the Funding Council and the HE and FE partners on the Campus. The strategy provided for the University to maintain its liberal arts undergraduate provision at Crichton and this involved a commitment to renew admissions to undergraduate courses in the autumn of 2008. A commitment had already been made that current students would be fully supported through the remainder of their course.

CRT/2007/4.2 Vice-Principal (Strategy & Resources)

Court noted the appointment of Professor Neal Juster to the position of Vice-Principal (Strategy & Resources) and that he would be taking forward discussions on the next planning and budget round at an early stage.

CRT/2007/4.3 International Student Barometer and National Student Survey

Court noted that the Senior Management Group (SMG) had considered the messages contained in two important recent surveys of the student experience at the University. The Vice Principal for Learning & Teaching, Professor Nolan, would provide more details to Court in her presentation.

Court also noted the excellent coverage the University had received in the Sunday Times of 23 September, which had named Glasgow 'Scottish University of the Year'.
CRT/2007/4.4 Undergraduate Admissions 2007

Court heard that the SMG had considered the University's performance in this year's round of undergraduate recruitment. There were encouraging signs, including the achievement of the University's expected intake, with a modest overshoot. As in previous years, some students had been recruited below the published entry tariff, but the number in this category had fallen.

Court noted that the overall number of applications to the University in 2007 had fallen, and was significantly lower than that of several Russell Group competitors. The University planned to increase the number of well-qualified applicants in the period of the current strategic plan, from 25,000 to 35,000 per year.

CRT/2007/4.5 Preparations for Research Assessment Exercise 2008

Court heard that the SMG had received a review of the University's state of preparation for the Research Assessment Exercise (RAE). Court noted that the University was on track this year to increase the proportion of staff submitted when compared with the 2001 RAE, and that most of the textual and statistical inputs to the exercise had been completed.

CRT/2007/4.6 Consultancy Policy and Intellectual Property Policy

Court was advised that in July, the SMG had considered proposed revisions to the University's Intellectual Property and Commercialisation Policies and had endorsed a document whose principal effect was to clarify current procedures, in particular the involvement of the Deans, in decisions relating to commercialisation and intellectual property. The policies’ aims were to ensure balance and fairness. The SMG would be monitoring information on consultancy earnings by staff members.

CRT/2007/5. Presentation on International Student Barometer and National Student Survey

Professor Andrea Nolan, Vice-Principal Learning & Teaching, gave a presentation on results and actions arising from two major national surveys of student opinion, the International Student Barometer (ISB) and the National Student Survey (NSS), and from an internal undergraduate questionnaire.

Court heard that the Learning and Teaching strategy contained a number of key objectives relating to the student learning experience. There were Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) associated with the Strategy, including one relating to student feedback. The feedback had been gathered by means of the NSS (for final year undergraduates), a First Year questionnaire (for undergraduates) and the ISB (for undergraduates & postgraduates).

Court noted that data was still being analysed and that the headline outcomes were now being presented. They included some common themes: on the positive side, staff being commended for their enthusiasm and expertise; and on a less positive note, a need for improvement in assessment and feedback for students, and for augmentation of some support services.

Court heard that the University had performed well in the NSS. 63% of questionnaires had been returned and they showed overall student satisfaction at 87%. This amounted to a very good performance when compared with UK, Scottish and Russell Group competitors. Particular areas of strength were: Teaching on the course; Learning
Resources; Personal Development and Overall Satisfaction. Under the headings ‘Organisation & Management’ and ‘Academic Support’, the overall institutional performance was good, although there had been variances across subjects. It was noted that there were some external factors affecting the scoring in some areas which had received lower scores, but that nevertheless all areas were being examined with a view to improvements being made. Court heard that assessment and feedback were areas where there was least student satisfaction, at Glasgow and throughout the UK. These headings were now a key focus in the action plan arising from the NSS.

Court noted the outcomes from the First Year Student Experience Questionnaire. The response rate had been lower than for the NSS. Overall student satisfaction with the quality of first year was 90%. There were particularly good perceptions of Library resources and programme materials, staff availability and the enthusiasm of staff. Priorities for action included assessment and feedback, further development of generic skills such as communication and problem solving, and building a better sense of community.

Court learnt the outcomes of the ISB, which had targeted international postgraduate and undergraduate students for response. 83% of the respondents would encourage others to apply to Glasgow and, in relation to the learning and living experience, the great majority of ratings were higher than the Russell Group average. A number of support services scored particularly highly. Court noted that the positive and negative areas of feedback from international students were often similar for all institutions. The action plan arising from the ISB aimed to address concerns through a range of practical measures including improvement of information and communication about living costs and greater promotion of careers guidance and work experience for international students.

Court was pleased to hear that the University had been shortlisted for the 2007 Times Higher Education Supplement awards for Best Student Experience and Support for Overseas Students.

Court thanked Professor Nolan for her presentation, and noted that it would be kept in touch with the surveys through the annual reporting of KPIs in Learning and Teaching.

A Nolan

**CRT/2007/6. Reports of Court Committees**

**CRT/2007/6.1 Finance Committee**

**CRT/2007/6.1.1 Update on Corporate Tax**

Court noted that draft guidelines had been published about the impact of the 2006 Finance Act on the University’s corporation taxation position. The University could apply for tax relief for losses on non-primary purpose trades thereby avoiding the need to set up the corporate structure previously proposed. Court noted that the Finance Committee had agreed the revised approach to the University’s corporate structure and to allow the Finance Office to retain flexibility to create subsidiaries to deal with any further tax issues in this area without further recourse to the Committee. It had also agreed to the revision of cost sharing mechanisms for the University’s current subsidiary companies.
CRT/2007/6.1.2 Phasing of 2007/008 cashflow

Court noted that at the end of 2006/07 there had been a £40.2m consolidated cash position, reflecting a £26.1m inflow of cash in year. It had been agreed at the Finance Committee that the cash should be invested with a variety of institutions with at least a Triple A rating.

Court also noted that the Finance Committee had agreed that the Director of Finance should determine available funds that could be invested safely and that a sum of up to £20m could be put on a longer term higher return investment with a Triple A or better institution. The Finance Committee had also agreed that there should be sufficient plans in place for the use of such funds and had noted that this would be addressed as part of the budget setting process.

R Fraser

CRT/2007/6.1.3 Update on 2006/07 financial statements

Court noted that, subject to completion of final accounts, the Director of Finance had reported to the Finance Committee a £5.1m operating surplus against the original budget before accounting for FRS pension adjustments and endowment surpluses. The year-end position had been £5.6m ahead of the original budget and £1.6m ahead of the end of year outturn as forecast at the end of June 2007. The inclusion of endowments and Trust figures had altered the operating surplus from £5.1m to £7.7m. The Income and Expenditure Account had reported salary expenditure of £92m against a budget of £97m.

CRT/2007/6.1.4 Debtors Report

Court was pleased to learn that the debt had reduced.

CRT/2007/6.2 Audit Committee

David Newall reported that the meeting of the Audit Committee on 10 October had looked at recent internal audit reports, at the management response thereto and at the 2007/2008 internal audit plan. The next meeting of the Committee would focus on the external audit of the University accounts and the annual audit report. Court would receive details at its December meeting.

Audit Committee

CRT/2007/6.3 Human Resources Committee

CRT/2007/6.3.1 Christmas Eve arrangements

Court approved a recommendation from the Human Resources Committee that Monday 24 December 2007 be designated a University holiday.

CRT/2007/6.3.2 Performance and Development Review

Court was informed that the Human Resources Committee was following up progress on implementation of the Performance and Development Review system and that Deans and the Head of University Services would be required to ensure that reviews were being held with all staff, such reviews to include feedback on performance which was an area for improvement identified in the recent staff attitude survey. The Human Resources/Payroll system would record which staff had been reviewed.
It was agreed that a progress report should be made to Court during the year on implementation of the strategic objectives that had been set by HR Committee. Court would also receive KPIs in relation to Human Resources matters as part of the annual KPI reports.

**Human Resources Committee**

It was confirmed that all staff in the University, including University Services staff, were covered by the requirement for Performance and Development Review. Court noted that feedback on the performance of departments within University Services was sought from stakeholders as part of a cycle of administrative reviews.

**CRT/2007/6.3.3 Equal Pay Audit**

Ian Black reported that an equal pay audit had been undertaken as part of the Gender Equality Duty and the Modernisation agenda. Court noted that for all grades of staff whose jobs were within the new grading structure, and for certain categories of staff such as the professoriate who were not in the new pay structure, the University was well within the recommended limits on equal pay. The analysis had identified a small number of categories, including senior non-academic staff, that required further consideration.

**CRT/2007/6.4 Estates Committee**

**CRT/2007/6.4.1 Capital Expenditure (CAPEX)**

Court noted that the Estates Committee had agreed that all proposals over £10k were to be subject to the CAPEX process. Applications up to £500k would be scrutinised by the Principal and Director of Finance. Applications over £500k would require the scrutiny of the Estates Committee. All capital applications endorsed through this process would then be submitted to the Finance Committee, which had responsibility for approving the overall Capital programme. The CAPEX process would be piloted with the refurbishment of the Hetherington Building.

**CRT/2007/6.4.2 Crichton Campus Leases**

Court noted that the Estates Committee had agreed that it would be operationally sensible if the remaining leases at the Crichton Campus could be transferred to the University of Paisley, which would be responsible for running the campus. The matter would be raised by the University in further discussions with the Crichton partners.

**CRT/2007/6.4.3 The Hub Redevelopment**

Court noted the anticipated delay of approximately one month beyond the programmed completion date of 30 August 2008.

**CRT/2007/6.4.4 Biomass Fuel Burning in the University’s Main Boiler House**

Court noted that the Estates Committee had discussed a proposal for biomass fuel to be used in the main boiler house and that the Committee had agreed
that further information was required before further consideration of the proposal could take place.

**CRT/2007/7. Report from the Secretary of Court**

**CRT/2007/7.1 Standing Orders and Schedule of Delegated Authorities**

Court noted that the opportunity has been taken to review its Standing Orders in light of the review of governance that had been ongoing over the past session. Court approved the revisions.

Court was reminded that following on from the Statement of Primary Responsibilities approved by Court after the internal audit of University Governance, it had been agreed that a Schedule of Delegated Authorities would be compiled. A draft Schedule has been drafted for Court’s consideration. Court approved the Schedule subject to minor clarifications.

**D Newall**

**CRT/2007/7.2 Appeal against Redundancy**

Court was reminded that in April 2007, it had approved the Redundancy Committee’s recommendations with regard to a post related to IT support for students with disabilities. An appeal against redundancy had been received from the person affected. An independent person had been engaged to hear the appeal.

**CRT/2007/7.3 Grievance Stage 2 Committees**

Court noted that a Stage 2 Grievance Committee had recently considered a matter where certain members of University staff claimed they should be afforded pay parity with staff employed by another organisation. The grievance had been dismissed at Stage 1 and was dismissed also by the Stage 2 Committee. A further Stage 2 Committee had been established to hear a grievance by a group of staff who were members of a union that was not recognised by the University. This related to the introduction of new contractual terms which they considered were introduced without proper consultation. The grievance had not been upheld at Stage 1.

**CRT/2007/7.4 Dean of Physical Sciences**

Court noted that Professor David Saxon would demit office as Dean of Physical Sciences on 31 July and that arrangements would be put in place to advertise the post of Dean of Physical Sciences, with applicants invited from within and outwith the University.

**CRT/2007/7.5 Glasgow City Council Assessor**

Court noted that Councillor Jim Mackechnie had been nominated by Glasgow City Council as its Assessor on Court, in succession to Bailie Margaret McCafferty.
CRT/2007/7.6 Scottish Funding Council Strategic Dialogue Meeting

Court was reminded that members and officials of the Scottish Funding Council would visit the University on the afternoon of 8 November as part of the Council's programme of strategic dialogue with universities and colleges. They would meet with the Chair of Court, two other lay members and representatives from the Senior Management Group. The topics to be covered were: Governance, University Strategy, Employability and Research. There would also be a discussion session at which student representatives would talk to the Council representatives about their experiences at the University. The Council would produce a report of the meeting, which would be shared with Court members at a later date.

D Newall

CRT/2007/7.7 Management Appointments

Court noted that the Secretary of Court had approved the following management appointments on Court's behalf:

**Headship of the Department of Aerospace Engineering**
Dr Marco Vezza, for the period 1 August 2007 to 31 July 2011, in succession to Dr Douglas Thomson.

**Headship of the Department of Mechanical Engineering**
Dr Donald Balance, for the period 1 August 2007 to 31 July 2011, in succession to Professor Matthew Cartmell.

**Associate Dean (Clinical Services) – Faculty of Veterinary Medicine**
Professor Stuart Carmichael for a further 2 years for the period 3 April 2008 to 31 March 2010. This brought Professor Carmichael's total term to 4 years.

**Headship of the Division of Cancer Sciences and Molecular Pathology, Faculty of Medicine**
Professor James Cassidy, for the period 1 August 2007 to 31 July 2011. This followed Professor Cassidy's appointment as interim Head of Division, after Professor Barry Gusterson had demitted office on 31 May 2007.

**Deputy Deanship of the Faculty of Engineering**
The re-appointment of Dr Arthur Whittaker as Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Engineering from 1 August 2007 to 31 July 2011 or until such time as the Dean demitted office if earlier.

CRT/2007/7.8 Appointing Committees for the Headships of Various Departments

Court noted that the following Appointing Committees had been approved for Headships of Departments and Divisions where the current Heads would demit office on 31st July 2008 unless indicated otherwise; in each case the outgoing Head was indicated:
Classics (Catherine Steel)
Professor Noreen Burrows (Convener)
Professor Mike French (Senate Assessor)

Economics (Farhad Noorbakhsh) (31.3.08)
Professor Noreen Burrows (Convener)
Dr Laura Martin (Senate Assessor)

History of Art (Alison Yarrington)
Professor Elizabeth Moignard (Convener)
Professor Keith Millar (Senate Assessor)

Modern Languages (Paul Donnelly)
Professor Elizabeth Moignard (Convener)
Dr Martin Macauley (Senate Assessor)

Psychology (Philippe Schyns)
Professor David Fearn (Convener)
Dr Laura Martin (Senate Assessor)

Religious Education (Robert Davis)
Professor Elizabeth Moignard (Convener)
Professor John Briggs (Senate Assessor)

School of Law (Tom Mullen)
Professor Elizabeth Moignard (Convener)
To Be Confirmed (Senate Assessor, position currently vacant)

Theatre, Film & Television Studies (Christine Geraghty)
Professor Elizabeth Moignard (Convener)
Professor Keith Millar (Senate Assessor)

Theology & Religious Studies (Ian Hazlett)
Professor Elizabeth Moignard (Convener)
Professor John Briggs (Senate Assessor)
Division of Infection & Immunity, IBLS (Mike Turner)
Professor Stuart Reid (Convener)
Professor Mike French (Senate Assessor)

Division of Neuroscience & Biomedical Systems, IBLS (William Martin)
Professor Paul Hagan (Convener)
Dr Martin Macauley (Senate Assessor)

Division of Cardiovascular & Medical Sciences, Medicine (John Reid)
Professor David Barlow (Convener)
To Be Confirmed (Senate Assessor, position currently vacant)

Division of Immunology, Infection & Inflammation, Medicine (Eddie Liew)
Professor David Barlow (Convener)
Professor Mona Siddiqui (Senate Assessor)

Associate Dean for Research, Veterinary Medicine (Iain Morgan) (31.12.08)
Professor Stuart Reid (Convener)
Professor Mona Siddiqui (Senate Assessor).

CRT/2007/7.9 Glasgow Centre for Cancer Research
Court was advised that on 23 July, the University had concluded a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Beatson Institute for Cancer Research and with Cancer Research UK. The MoU provided for the creation of the Glasgow Centre for Cancer Research, which would advance a joint strategy for cancer research in Glasgow. As well as providing for the satisfactory resolution of matters relating to the Phase 1 Beatson Laboratory development at Garscube, the MoU envisaged a new phase of capital development, on which matter Court would receive a further report later in the session.

D Newall

CRT/2007/7.10 IT Education Unit
Court was reminded that in June, it had given authority for the creation, if required, of a Redundancy Committee to oversee the possible consequences of Court's decision to close the IT Education Unit. The Unit's activities had ceased with effect from 1 August 2007. It had been possible to redeploy four staff within the University, and a fifth member of staff had accepted an offer of voluntary severance, the terms of which had been approved by the Remuneration Committee. In the event, there had been no requirement to convene the Redundancy Committee.
CRT/2007/7.11 Modern Languages

Court noted that following Court's review of the School of Modern Languages and Cultures in Session 2006/07, Professor Briggs and Mr Newall had assigned four tasks to the new Head of German: to revise teaching loads so as to achieve a fairer distribution of work; to create suitable opportunities for less experienced staff to engage in research; to revise the resource requirements (staffing and non-staffing) of the German Section in view of its recurrent deficit; and, in discussion with other Modern Languages, to review the Section’s approach to teaching the undergraduate curriculum. Regular meetings were being held with the Head of Section and the Dean of Arts. A progress report would be submitted to Court in December.

D Newall

CRT/2007/7.12 Pedestrian Road Safety on University Avenue

Court was reminded that the issue of pedestrian road safety on University Avenue had been raised at the last meeting of Court through the report from the Health, Safety & Environment Committee. Court heard that the City Council had now installed traffic islands to reduce vehicle speed along University Avenue.

CRT/2007/7.13 Centre for Robert Burns Studies

Court noted that the constitution for a new Centre for Robert Burns Studies had been approved. Its purpose would be the development of research, scholarship and teaching in Robert Burns, his cultural period and related literature.

CRT/2007/7.14 Draft Resolutions relating to Degree Regulations

Court noted that the following Draft Resolutions had been approved, following comments from the Senate and General Council. A copy of the Draft Resolutions was available from the Court Office.

517 DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN DESIGN (PART-TIME) IN A DESIGNATED SUBJECT

527-1 AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION No. 527 - DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ACCOUNTANCY AND LAW

549 DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) IN FINE ART AT THE GLASGOW SCHOOL OF ART

550 DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) IN DESIGN AT THE GLASGOW SCHOOL OF ART

557 DEGREE OF MASTER OF RESEARCH

558 DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE

559 MASTER OF LAWS BY PRESCRIBED COURSES OF STUDY

560 MASTER OF THEOLOGY AT THE FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND COLLEGE

561 GENERIC REGULATIONS FOR TAUGHT MASTERS DEGREES AT THE GLASGOW SCHOOL OF ART

562 DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF MEDICINE

563 DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF DENTAL SURGERY
CRT/2007/7.15  Draft Resolution: Chair in Anaesthesia

Court noted that the Dean of Medicine has asked that Court consider revising the title of the Chair of Anaesthesia to the 'Chair of Anaesthesia, Pain and Critical Care.' The new title would reflect more fully the nature of academic work in an area that has evolved since the foundation of the Chair in the 1960s. A draft resolution had been prepared. Court approved its publication for comment and noted that, if no adverse comments were received, the new title would have effect from 1 December 2007.

D Newall

CRT/2007/7.16 Resolutions

Court noted that the following Resolutions had been approved. They had been drafted following comments from the Senate and General Council, then reported to Court as having been approved in draft form, and no further comments had been received during the notice period for public comment. A copy of the Resolutions was available from the Court Office.

508-1 AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION 508 - DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS IN THEOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

511-1 AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION NO. 511 - DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF LAWS

522 AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 522 - DEGREES OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE AND MASTER IN SCIENCE

523 MASTER OF ARTS (SOCIAL SCIENCES)

539-1 AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION 539 - DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS

551 DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURAL STUDIES

552 GENERIC REGULATIONS FOR THE AWARD OF MASTERS DEGREES GAINED BY THE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF TAUGHT POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

554 DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MUSIC

564 CODE OF ASSESSMENT FOR UNDERGRADUATE AND TAUGHT POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

564-1 AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION NO. 564 - CODE OF ASSESSMENT FOR UNDERGRADUATE AND TAUGHT POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

564-2 AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION NO. 564 - CODE OF ASSESSMENT FOR UNDERGRADUATE AND TAUGHT POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES
AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION NO. 564 - CODE OF ASSESSMENT FOR UNDERGRADUATE AND TAUGHT POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 546 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BOARD OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION.

CRT/2007/8. Communications from Senate

Court approved the Senate’s proposed arrangements for the election of a new Rector to replace Mr Mordechai Vanunu, whose term of office was due to end on 31 March 2008. The election would be held on 26 and 27 February 2008 and voting would be on-line in order to streamline the process and to encourage greater voter participation.

At its June meeting Court had noted that Senate had been advised that an arrangement would be possible which would allow Court to submit observations on nominations for honorary degrees, in order to inform final decisions by Senate. The Clerk of Senate advised Court of the nominations on a confidential basis.


There was no other business.

CRT/2007/10. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Court will be held on Wednesday 12 December 2007 in the Senate Room (with the annual Court dinner in the evening)

The other Court meeting dates for the 2007/2008 session are:

Wednesday 13 February 2008
Wednesday 16 April 2008
Wednesday 25 June 2008
All at 2pm in the Senate Room