

STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE ASSEMBLY



Minutes of the meeting held on 12 May 2010

Present: Dr C. Harrison (Chair), Dr G. D'Cruz, Ms C. Richards and Mr P. Skillen.

With: The Academic Registrar (Mr R. Evans)

1. MINUTES

Confirmed
the Minutes of the meeting held on 13 May 2009.

2. STATEMENTS BY THE CHAIR

There were no statements.

3. MEMBERSHIP OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE ASSEMBLY 2008/2009

Reported

- (1) that the membership of the Standing Committee of the Assembly was:

Ex-officio – VC & PVC's

Members elected by the Assembly :

Dr G. D'Cruz (2010)
Dr C.J. Harrison (to 2011)
Ms C. Richards (to 2011)
Mr P. Skillen (to 2011)

- (2) that the membership of the Standing Committee of the Assembly provides for 8 members elected by the Assembly;

- (3) that nominations were invited for the 5 vacancies arising for 2010-11;

- (4) that the following nominations were received (and the candidates are declared elected without need for a vote):

Ms Wendy Bainham (DOS)
Mr John Docherty (CAT)
Dr G. D'Cruz (NAM) – for re-election
Mr Kristopher Harper (HUM)

- (5) for 2010/11, unless there are further nominations, there will therefore be 7 members and 1 vacancy. The four proposed nominees will be declared members of SCOTA without a ballot being required.

4. ASSEMBLY AGENDA ITEMS SUGGESTED

Proposed by C. Richards

Accommodation for 1 Semester Erasmus Students

To consider

- (1) a motion from Ms Claudina Richards that Assembly should endorse the proposal that the University should guarantee accommodation in halls of residence for Erasmus students visiting for one semester, in order to facilitate continued good relations with partner institutions for Schools such as LAW which have a number of UG programmes involving a compulsory Erasmus year abroad, as it is more difficult for exchange students coming to UEA for only 3 months to secure accommodation with private landlords
- (2) that if the Assembly endorses the motion it is given formal consideration by the Executive Team.

(The Committee noted that the Secretary had provided advice to a member of staff who raised an enquiry about an agenda item which directed the person to alternative route that the Secretary considered more appropriate. The Committee endorsed the action of the Secretary.)

5. THE ROLE OF THE ASSEMBLY

Reported

orally by Dr C. Harrison that he believed it would be appropriate for him to write to seek the assurance from the Vice-Chancellor that issues debated at, and motions passed by, the Assembly were taken seriously by the University authorities.

6. QUESTIONS

Reported

orally by the Chair that he had received an anonymous item concerning IT security in relation to the CRU breaches.

RESOLVED

by the Committee that the following question captured the issues of concern to the person concerned and should be put to the Registrar and Secretary.

“To what extent is the University considering its internal structures in response to the recent CRU security breach, specifically with regard to IT”