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On a related subject, Mr Fisher commented on the implications of new OfS guidance on

Resolved: That the Report be noted and schedule of fees attached thereto be agreed.

UB652. Group Budget for 2018/19

Mrs Woolford (Acting Finance Director) presented the draft 2018-19 Group Budget for consideration by the Board. A copy of the Report is set out in the Minute Book.

In summarising the draft Budget, Mrs Woolford explained that she had had only limited time to familiarise herself with the content and issues but that she was confident that the underlying assumptions were reasonable.

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Resolved: That the draft Group Budget 2018/19 now presented by approved.

UB653. Finance Director's Report

In the absence of Mrs Bromley, Mrs Sarah Woolford presented the Finance Director's report. A copy of the Report is set out in the Minute Book.

Mrs Woolford confirmed that the Report was for information and that she had nothing to add.

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Resolved: That the Report be noted.

UB654. 2018/19 Students' Union Block Grant

The Board received a report incorporating a recommendation in respect of the proposed Students' Union Block Grant 2018/19. A copy of the Report is set out in the Minute Book.

The Chair of Resources Committee confirmed that the Report had been considered by the Committee. Mr Edney explained that there had been some confusion around the issue of the uplift of £50K to fund digital development. However, the matter had been explained to the Committee and the Committee had resolved to recommend the Grant proposed to the Board for approval.

Resolved: That

- (i) the Report be noted; and
- (ii) the proposed Block Grant of £1, 230,972 be approved.

UB655. Appointment of New Board Members

The Chair of the Nominations Committee presented an oral update on the outcome of the process followed by the Committee in order to recruit additional Members of the Board. Mrs Adams briefly summarised the process followed by the Committee to identify additional independent Members and to identify staff Members to replace Dawne Gurbutt and Joanna Heaton-Marriott.

With regard to the independent Members, Mrs Adams reported that, although a comparatively small number of applications had been received, the quality of the candidates was extremely high. In light of this, the Committee was recommending the appointment of four individuals as independent Board Members with effect from 1st August 2018. Mrs Adams then briefly summarised the profile of each of the

proposed appointees. In accordance with the constitution of the University, the initial appointments would be for probationary terms of 12 months.

The Chair of the Board noted that the appointments would slightly increase the size of the Governing

- (ii) Mrs Horrocks be thanked for all her work (including involving students as much as possible) in the production of the Strategy.

UB658. Update from the Vice Chancellor

The Vice Chancellor presented a Report updating the Board on a number of matters of interest. A copy of the Report is set out in the Minute Book.

Professor Thomas explained that the Report was largely self-explanatory and, due to pressure on time, simply drew the attention of the Board to a small number of important issues.

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Finally, in response to a question from Mr McQueen, the Vice Chancellor confirmed that the University was acutely aware of the current concerns regarding student suicides and that the University was working on a range of measures to address this issue. Professor Thomas also confirmed that a report on the issue would be presented to a future meeting of the Board.

Resolved: That the Report be noted.

UB659. People Plan Priorities 2018/19

The Executive Director of Human Resources presented a Report updating the Board on the delivery of the People Plan PrTJO Tc6lthiTE

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During the presentation, Mrs Iqbal briefly explained a number of the actions taken and services delivered by the Union under the headings of 'representation' of students; 'supporting' students; 'inspiring' students and 'connecting' students.

Mrs Iqbal also briefly explained how the income of the Union had been spent during the year.

Mrs Iqbal highlighted the importance of working in partnership with the University as demonstrated by the creation of the Oasis Centre where the meeting was being held and the new subsidised bus scheme and student involvement in the development of the campus masterplan.

Finally, Mrs Iqbal briefly summarised the proposed actions for the forthcoming year and presented a short video on the topic of respect.

In thanking Mrs Iqbal for the presentation, the Board also expressed their appreciation for all the work and support she had given to the Board over her two years as a Member of the Board and wished her every success in the future.

UB662. Chairs' Updates – Resources Committee 5th June 2018 and Audit and Risk Committee 7th June 2018

Resources Committee

Resolved: That the report and revised Risk Register be noted.

UB665. Corporate Planning Update