



University of Central Lancashire

Unreserved Minutes of the Board Meeting Held on 16 May 2024 at 1.00pm at The Belsfield Hotel, Kendal Road, Bowness-on-Windermere, LA23 3EL

Present:

Sue Ion (Chair)

Graham Baldwin

Jon Baldwin

Jim Carter

Luke Fitzgerald

Ruth Lowry

Anne McCarthy

Lorraine Norris

Khalil ReManager

George Charles (Chief Finance Officer)

Ruth Connor (Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Operations))

Craig Darlison (Executive Director of IT and Digital Services) - for Item 13

Jim Edney (Resources Committee)

Ian Fisher (University Secretary and General Counsel/Clerk to the Board)

Carolyn Johnson (Executive Officer to the Vice-Chancellor)

Ken Lee (Chief People Officer)

Chris Roberts (AWE Consulting) - for Item 13

Mike Sheppard (Director of Estates and Campus Services) - for Item 14

Fiona Winters (Head of Governance/Deputy Clerk to the Board)

UB1214. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed all present a

co-opted member of the

Apologies had been received from Mr Richard Fr
Fiona Rayment, who had sent written comments c

UB1215. Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest in addition
register.

UB1216. Chair's Announcements

The Chair announced that expressions of interest in the role of Chair and Deputy

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(ii) *Reserved Minute - Text Redacted*

(iii) *Financial Sustainability of the Sector*

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that a report be commissioned by the Royal Academy of Engineering or the Royal Society on the negative impact of policy decisions on UK universities. She also acknowledged the suite of highlights from the External Affairs section of the Report.

Resolved: That the Vice-Chancellor's Update Report be noted.

UB1220. Reserved Minute - Text Redacted

UB1221. Reserved Minute - Text Redacted

UB1222. Students' Union Update Report

The President of the Students' Union presented the regular report giving an update on key initiatives being progressed by the Students' Union (SU). A copy of the report is set out in the Minute Book.

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meetings between the Chair and Board members would be fed into the GER and it was anticipated that the final report would be available in the summer.

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UB1225. Any Other Business

Mrs Lloyd stressed the need for assurance that the University had in place an effective strategy on Artificial Intelligence (AI).

UB1226. Reserved Minute - Text Redacted

UB1227. Reserved Minute - Text Redacted

UB1228. Date and Time of the Next Meeting

Resolved: That the next meeting take place on 27 June 2024 commencing at 5.00pm on the Preston campus.

Ian Fisher
Clerk to the Board