

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Monday 9th September 2024



MINUTES

Present: Harshavardhan Chikatla, Blessing Ihuoma, Ebubechi Azunna, Mark Grayling, Charlotte Foley, Chris Hook, Joshua Williams,

Apologies: Sue Kiddle, Helen Cutting

Observers: None

In Attendance: Kirsty Morrison, Adam Cotterill, Trevor Davis-Webb

A strategy session was held with the Trustees and all departmental managers prior to the main order of business, with an opportunity to discuss where we want to take TUSU in the future. Within this Martin John gave a presentation on feedback from students on the Student Opinion Counts surveys.

1. Apologies and Declarations of Interest

Apologies - Sue Kiddle and Helen Cutting sent prior apologies.

Declaration of Interest - Kirsty Morrison stated that the Chief Executive Update did include her objectives and would remove self if Trustees needed to discuss.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting on 21st May 2024 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

The action register was updated.

The attendance register was updated.

3. For information

i) TDW provided an overview of the recent Committee Minutes from the Finance and Risk Committee and the Remuneration & HR Committee, which were noted.

ii) The new Officers introduced themselves to the board and gave an update on the campaigns they are planning for the year.

iii) The new Chief Executive provided an update on the first 3 months in post, which included an update of Freedom of Speech, and her objectives were signed off by the board.

iv) TDW provided an overview of the July 2024 Management accounts, noting that pre-audit adjustments showed a small, expected surplus at year end.

4. Good Governance

i) AC provided an update on the Codes of Practice which will be present at University Board of Governors.

ii) KM provided an update on the development of a risk register and risk policy which outlines our tolerance. This will need to go out to all staff for consultation and to determine the current mitigations that each department has in place for any perceived risks.

iii) The Officer roles were reviewed, noting some small changes. The Board agreed the changes as reasonable amendments and AC will update the Byelaws and take to AGM.

5. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

14. Dates of Next Meetings

The dates of the next meetings:

11th November 2024