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The University of Dublin

Trinity College

Minutes of Board Meeting, 30 January 2008

<i>Present</i>	Provost (Dr J Hegarty), Vice-Provost (Dr R M J Byrne), Registrar (Dr J Barkhoff), Bursar (Dr D C Williams), Senior Lecturer (Dr C Kearney), Dr A Butterfield, Mr A Byrne, Ms M A Coffey, Dr J F Donegan, Dr A C Donnelly, Mr A Frenda, Ms U Faulkner, Dr E Mac Cárthaigh, Dr K J McGinley, Mrs P E Murphy, Dr D P O'Donovan, Dr E J O'Halpin, Dr J A N Parnell, Dr A J Piesse, Mr B Rock, Mr M A Slevin, Mr B Sweeney, Dr J K Vij.
<i>Apologies</i>	Ms G M Clarke, Dr J M Kelly, Dr H J Rice, Dr S M Ryan.
<i>In attendance</i>	
<i>(ex officio)</i>	Secretary, Acting Treasurer, Assistant Secretary.
<i>(by invitation)</i>	Vice-Provost for Medical Affairs and Head of School of Medicine (for BD/07-08/156). Dean of Research (for BD/07-08/157, 158) Director of Buildings (for BD/07-08/158).

The Provost welcomed Ms P Murphy attending her first Board meeting.

SECTION A

BD/07-08/151 Minutes

- (i) **11 December 2007** The minutes of the meeting held on 11 December 2007 were approved and signed subject to the following amendment:

BD/07-08/142 Personnel and Appointments Committee The word 'rational' was replaced with the word 'rationale' in line 2.

- (ii) **23 January 2008** The minutes of the meeting held on 23 January 2008 were approved and signed subject to the following amendment:

BD/07-08/146 High Level Risk Register The penultimate paragraph on page 5 was replaced with the following text: 'Dr McGinley advised Board that the Site and Facilities Committee had considered a paper on environmental issues, and discussed energy consumption, at a recent meeting, the papers from which will be before Board at its next meeting.'

BD/07-08/152 Matters Arising from the Minutes A matter arising from the minutes was discussed and has been recorded below, (see minutes BD/07-08/153).

BD/07-08/153 Provost's Report (see minute BD/07-08/118 of 11 December 2007) The Acting Treasurer advised Board that notification of the 2008 recurrent grant had been received from the HEA, with an increase to the College of 2.2% over the 2007 level, compared to a sectoral increase of 3.2%. Noting that the application of the HEA's

allocation model (RGAM) accounted for the differential in funding levels, the Acting Treasurer advised that the HEA, in allocating the funds for 2008, had implemented a moderating mechanism of plus or minus one percent rather than the two percent adjustment previously advised. Following consideration of the Estimates by the Executive Officers and the Finance Committee, proposals will be presented to the Board meeting on 27 February.

BD/07-08/154 Provost's Report

- (i) **Bursar** The Provost advised Board that, following the election of the Bursar as Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, Mathematics and Science, (see minute BD/07-08/155) below, he intended to present a nomination for Bursar to Board as soon as possible and that Dr Williams had agreed to continue in his role as Bursar, in addition to that of Faculty Dean, until a replacement is elected by Board.
- (ii) **IUA matters** The Provost invited Board's attention to a number of issues which had been discussed at the IUA meeting held on 28 January 2008.
 - (a) **HEA's Proposed Strategic Fund** As part of the implementation of RGAM, the HEA proposes to allocate 10% of the total recurrent funding available to the sector to institutions, based on their adherence to national and institutional strategic goals. The Provost advised Board that the IUA had agreed that, in a climate of declining core recurrent funding, it could not accept this proposal and that it would enter into discussions with the HEA in this context.

The Board endorsed the IUA position, expressing extreme concern at the potential impact of losing one-third of the annual non-pay funds at a time when there was a national expectation that the sector would be the basis for the on-going development of the country's knowledge economy.

- (b) **Government's Efficiency Review** In accordance with the Government's decision to undertake an efficiency review of all Government Departments, the HEA, at the request of the Department of Education and Science, had initiated a review in the sector and all institutions had been asked to identify achievable proposals to maximise efficiency gains by the middle of January.
- (c) **Performance Indicators** The Provost advised Board that, as part of the implementation of the first round of SIF, the sector was examining the feasibility of developing key performance indicators (KPIs) at institutional, sectoral and international levels. These indicators would be used to measure the achievement of strategic goals and the management of the associated risks.

The Board endorsed concerns which had been expressed at IUA level that the introduction of a standard set of sectoral KPIs could lead to uniformity across the sector and that the current beneficial diversity and complementarity within the sector could be lost.

The Board agreed that there would be a presentation on KPIs at a future meeting.

In response to concerns expressed by a Board member that the introduction of KPIs could be in contravention of 'Towards 2016', the Secretary agreed to seek clarification on the issues raised.

- (d) **Full Economic Cost Model** The Board noted that the development of this model is underway and as previously advised, (minute BD/07-08/081 (iii) of 21 November 2007 refers) it will be required to secure funding from the EU FP7 Programme.

BD/07-08/155 Restructuring The Senior Lecturer invited Board's attention to the outcome of the election of Faculty Deans as follows:

- (i) Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences: Professor M Marsh;
- (ii) Faculty of Engineering, Mathematics and Science: Professor D C Williams;
- (iii) Faculty of Health Sciences: Professor C O'Moráin.

He advised Board that the newly-elected Deans were now members of the Restructuring Implementation Oversight Group (RIOG) and he invited Board's attention to the time-table for consideration and approval of the Group's proposals by Board.

The Provost advised Board that the first interviews for the Chief Operating Officer position had been held in January and that it was intended to have a second round of interviews in March.

BD/07-08/156 Academic Medical Centre The Vice-Provost for Medical Affairs, Professor Kelleher, present by invitation, attended for this item. Professor Kelleher advised Board that, following long and detailed discussions between the College, St James's Hospital and the Adelaide and Meath Hospital, Dublin Incorporating the National Children's Hospital, a Memorandum of Understanding had been signed by the three institutions in December 2007.

He stated that the Memorandum provided the basis for the development, in consultation with the HSE, of joint service arrangements and the consideration, on a phased basis, of all relevant governance issues.

Professor Kelleher advised Board that a transitional Executive was being put in place and that there was a common wish among the three partners to provide coordinated services within the context of an Academic Medical Centre.

The Board welcomed the developments and congratulated Professor Kelleher and his colleagues in the Associated Hospitals on their achievements to date. The opportunities for therapy disciplines under the proposed new arrangements were noted.

It was agreed that the Memorandum of Understanding would be circulated to Board members and that the Board would receive a further up-date on developments in due course.

BD/07-08/157 Research Matters The Dean of Research, present by invitation, invited Board's attention to the College's Times Higher Education Supplement's international rankings which had been published since his last report to Board (minute BD/07-08/043 of 24 October 2007 refers). The Board noted that the College had been ranked fifty-third in the world and thirteenth in Europe and that Trinity's Arts and Humanities research had been ranked thirty-seventh in the world. A further ranking, based on citations per paper, placed the College's Immunology Research at second in the world.

The Dean invited Board's attention to the College's achievements under SFI schemes including the:

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- Strategic Research Clusters/CSETs programme
- Engineering Initiative
- Stokes Initiative
- Equipment Awards
- Research Frontiers Programme
- European Research Council Awards

The Board also noted the College's success in schemes funded by the Irish Research Council for Humanities and the Social Sciences.

The Dean presented a summary of the two hundred and six research contracts signed by the College between October and December 2007, noting that their combined value amounted to almost €40 million. The Board also noted the high impact publications resulting from the College's research as presented by the Dean.

The Dean invited Board's attention to the forthcoming call for proposals under the PRTL Cycle 5 which will be in two phases, the first of which will be in March 2008 and the second in May. The Board noted that funds, in the order of €400 million, will be available to more than twenty five institutions, with seventy-five percent of the funds being available for capital initiatives.

The Dean advised Board that the delivery of structured PhD programmes will be the focus of recurrent funding and that, as in previous PRTL cycles, collaboration will be a key criterion in the assessment of proposals. He stated that the selection and prioritisation of the College's proposals will be overseen by the Provost, the Dean of Research, the three Faculty Deans, the Senior Lecturer and the Dean of Graduate Studies.

The Board noted that capital funding will focus on new buildings linked to institutional strategy and that it is expected that the Call for Proposals will yield three or four bids for national infrastructure.

In response to queries from Board members, the Dean clarified a number of technical issues.

BD/07-08/158 An Post Site Development The Director of Buildings, present by invitation, invited Board's attention to minute SF/07-8/68 from the meeting of the Site and Facilities Committee held on 22 January 2008, which outlined the current status of the An Post/Biosciences project. He outlined the significance of the project in the context of the College's Strategic Plan and the Government Strategy for Science, Technology and Innovation (SSTI) and the importance in facilitating subsequent developments by vacating space on the main campus. The Director of Buildings advised Board that the appointed contractors are working on the design of the scheme and that it was hoped that An Bord Pleanála would issue a favourable decision on the scheme in mid-February.

The Board noted that a funding strategy for the building is being developed to make best use of the College's development partnership, exchequer initiatives and philanthropic supports. The Director of Buildings advised that the Finance Committee and Board will be invited to consider a range of financial proposals in this regard. The nature and value of the development arrangements for the site were discussed and the Board noted the significant return on investment accruing under the proposed development after ten years.

The Director of Buildings also invited the Board's attention to the other capital projects which are currently being planned or are underway, noting that they would be the subject of more detailed consideration in the next edition of the Bursar's Capital Projects paper, which will be presented to Board shortly.

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In response to queries raised by Board Members, the Director of Buildings advised Board that:

- (i) postgraduate students in the Arts and Humanities areas, who will ultimately be provided with facilities in the Long Room Hub, will be provided with alternative accommodation if the 1937 Reading Room is being refurbished for use by the Long Room Hub. If this should be the case postgraduate students in other disciplines will be provided with facilities in alternative locations;
- (ii) a framework Site Development Plan will be prepared to meet the PRTL deadline of the end of March 2008, and a full Plan will be available for consideration by the Board within six months;
- (iii) the College is committed to sustainable development, noting that a current EU Directive requires higher building standards with reduced carbon emissions. The Bursar advised Board that the cost benefit analysis, which is currently a Government requirement for new buildings, does not include any reference to sustainability or reduced carbon emissions.

The Board thanked the Director of Buildings and the Dean of Research, noting that formal proposals in relation to the An Post/Biosciences development would be presented for consideration by Board in due course.

BD/07-08/159 Senior Lecturer's Annual Report (see Actum CL/07-08/056 of 5 December 2007)

The Senior Lecturer invited Board's attention to the Annual Report for 2006-2007 which had been circulated and he paid tribute to the staff in the Senior Lecturer's Area for their achievements during a very busy year.

He invited Board's attention to the following key areas, details of which were presented in the Report:

- student applications and admissions;
- Entrance Exhibitions, noting that one quarter of the College's EU new entrants had received awards;
- non-traditional admissions and access initiatives;
- new entrants' survey which had indicated that the College's reputation had been the primary reason for students choosing to study at Trinity;
- demographics of the student population;
- new academic appointments, noting the differing requirements across disciplines in relation to the qualifications of new staff;
- staff:student ratios;
- academic progress, noting that the disparity in the award of first class honors degrees across disciplines is being addressed by the Heads' Committee. The proportion of male and female students being awarded Foundation Scholarship was also noted;
- new course developments;
- academic developments:
 - academic restructuring;
 - modularisation and academic year structure;
 - academic initiatives supported by the Strategic Innovation Fund;
 - the Broad Curriculum, noting that proposals being developed to incorporate the Broad Curriculum into the core curriculum will be considered by Council and Board in due course;
- Centre for Academic Practice and Student Learning;
- quality assurance.

In the course of a discussion on the Report's findings, Board members noted that some academic disciplines may not recruit staff with PhD qualifications for historical reasons, particularly in professional disciplines. Difficulties encountered in the operation of e-learning in the current academic year were highlighted and the

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relatively high number of staff being recruited on a contract basis, with the possible impact which this may have on staff:student ratios, was also noted.

In response to a query, the Senior Lecturer agreed to clarify the situation in relation to the MSc in Biomedical Sciences (Intercalated) for which the Graduate Studies Committee had been asked to give approval as a matter of urgency and for which there were no students registered as of October 2007.

The Provost thanked the Senior Lecturer and his staff for the very useful report.

In response to a request that all administrative and service areas prepare annual reports on their activities, the Secretary agreed to present a schedule for the preparation of these reports to the next Board meeting.

BD/07-08/160 Regulations for Election to Board The Secretary invited Board's attention to a memorandum, dated 22 January 2008, which had been circulated, together with Regulations for Election to Board as proposed by the Board's Working Group. He noted that in making its proposals the Working Group had taken into account the points raised by Board members in a previous discussion (minute BD/07-08/083 of 21 November 2007 refers).

He outlined the background to the proposals on part-time staff, noting that the minimum of eight working hours per week suggested as the minimum required for membership of any constituency was in keeping with earlier legislation and the procedures used in previous elections. He stated that this minimum had been considered by the Working Group as a useful proxy for the definition of comparable employment with full-time staff.

He also invited Board's attention to the proposal that casual vacancies would continue to be filled by candidates who had been unsuccessful in the most recent election with the inclusion of a stipulation that candidates filling such vacancies must have received a total vote equivalent to at least one third of the quota for the relevant constituency.

In the course of a long and detailed discussion on the proposals the following points were made by Board members:

- (i) staff employed for eight hours per week do not have comparable employment with full-time staff and as such should not have a vote in Board elections;
- (ii) difficulties can be encountered in defining comparable work as between full-time and part-time staff;
- (iii) if consultation will be required to fill a casual vacancy, it may not always be possible to find a mechanism to ensure full consultation within any one constituency;
- (iv) consultation can work well as a mechanism for filling casual vacancies as evidenced recently and the principle of subsidiarity should apply to individual constituencies;
- (v) the holding of a by-election will ensure transparency in filling any casual vacancy that may arise;
- (vi) by-elections, by their nature, are not as democratic as elections decided by proportional representation;
- (vii) holding mid-term by-elections in constituencies which are relatively small and whose membership is constantly changing may not be ideal;
- (viii) the Board should decide on a case-by-case basis how a casual vacancy should be filled;
- (ix) Professors who are not in receipt of remuneration should not be eligible to vote in Board elections;
- (x) the exceptional contribution of Hospital staff, who are not in receipt of remuneration from the College, to the education of undergraduate students was noted;

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- (xi) the wording of Section 8 in the proposed Regulations may be ambiguous as it could be interpreted as allowing non-Trinity staff to vote in the elections to Board.

In response to queries, the requirements of the Universities Act in relation to the election of Governing Authorities were clarified.

The Senior Lecturer advised Board that the Heads of School Committee had also considered the issue of electorates, particular in relation to elections for Deans, Heads of School and Council, and had expressed a wish that, in so far as possible, consistent definitions be employed in all cases.

The Board agreed that the Working Group should reconvene and review its proposals, taking into account the views expressed.

BD/07-08/161 DMMC/Molecular Medicine Ireland The Secretary invited Board's attention to a memorandum, dated 22 January 2008, which had been circulated. He advised Board that the creation of the Irish Clinical Research Infrastructure Network (ICRIN) in July 2006 (minute BD/05-06/396 of 5 July 2006 refers) to facilitate TCD, UCC, UCD, NUIG and RCSI in competing for EU funding had been approved on the understanding that this would lead to the full involvement by UCC and NUIG in the Dublin Molecular Medicine Centre (DMMC). He stated that the DMMC and the three original partners are now desirous of admitting UCC and NUIG to full and equal membership in terms of ownership and activity and to change its title to Molecular Medicine Ireland (MMI).

The Secretary advised Board that DMMC had been established as a company limited by guarantee following discussion with the HEA and that it was proposed that the structure would continue in these circumstances.

The Board approved:

- (i) the establishment of the MMI as a company limited by guarantee;
- (ii) the revised ownership as proposed;
- (iii) in the context of the legal advice received: the Ownership Agreement; the Memorandum of Association of MMI; and the Articles of Association of MMI;
- (iv) the continuation of Professor Kelleher and Dr Lloyd as Directors of the entity.

BD/07-08/162 Acta of the University Council The Board confirmed Acta of the University Council from its meeting held on 16 January 2008 subject to further comments covering CL/07-08/078, CL/07-08/080, CL/07-08/081, CL/07-08/082, CL/07-08/083, CL/07-08/089, CL/07-08/090. (Items from Section D in the Acta are set out in Section D of these minutes.)

BD/07-08/163 Intermission of Studies (see Actum CL/07-08/078 of 16 January 2008) The Senior Lecturer invited Board's attention to the conditions governing the intermission of studies to students participating in extracurricular activities which had been approved by Council.

BD/-7-08/164 Appeal to the Visitors Under Other Business, the Secretary advised Board that the Visitors, having heard an appeal which sought to establish that a resolution of the Board on 26 June 2007 in relation to Central Management and Administration, was *ultra vires* and contrary to the College Statutes and legislation relating to College, had determined that: '*The Board decision to approve the proposals was a policy decision which was clearly within its power to make and does not imply a decision to implement the proposals unless and until it is lawful to do so, other than by the appointment of a COO. So far as that appointment is concerned, it is authorised by*

S.25 of the 1997 Act. It does not appear to contain any provision which affects the statutory powers of any Officers of College or in any way offend the statutes'.

The Secretary advised Board, that as was the normal practice, a copy of the judgement was available for consultation in his Office.

SECTION B

BD/07-08/165 Heads of School Committee (see Actum CL/07-08/080 of 16 January 2008) The Board noted, and where appropriate, approved proposals in the draft minutes of the Heads' Committee from its meeting of 18 December 2007 with particular reference to:

HC/07-08/23 Sabbatical Paid Leave of Absence for Academic Staff The Senior Lecturer advised Board that following the discussion at the Heads of School Committee, the Heads of Schools' concerns had been considered by the Personnel and Appointments Committee (PAC), which in turn had referred the matter to the Faculty Deans for consultation. He stated that following further consideration by Executive Officers the matter would be considered again by PAC and that proposals would be presented to Council and Board.

BD/07-08/166 Information Policy Committee (see Actum CL/-7-08/081 of 16 January 2008) The Board noted, and where appropriate, approved proposals in the draft minutes of the Information Policy Committee from its meetings of 11 December 2007. Dr O'Halpin, the Chairman of the Committee noted the Committee's appreciation to the former Director of IS Services who had retired recently.

BD/07-08/167 Research Committee (see Actum CL/07-08/082 of 16 January 2008) The Board noted, and where appropriate, approved proposals in the draft minutes of the Research Committee from its meetings of 13 December 2007.

BD/07-08/168 Site and Facilities Committee The Board noted, and where appropriate, approved proposals in the draft minutes of the Site and Facilities Committee from its meetings of 4 December 2007 and 22 January 2008, with particular reference to:

SF/07-08/48 Sustainability Policy The Board approved the Sustainability Policy, as proposed, and agreed that monitoring and reporting on its implementation would be a matter for the Site and Facilities Committee. The Board noted that it is expected that additional government requirements in relation to the sustainability of capital developments will be issued in the near future.

SF/07-08/676 Foster Place Development Dr McGinley, Chairman of the Committee, invited Board's attention to the discussion which had taken place in relation to the Foster Place development, noting in particular that the rental income which the College will receive from the ground floor commercial letting will aid in the financial feasibility of this project.

BD/07-08/169 Student Services Committee (see Actum CL/07-08/083 of 16 January 2008) The Board noted, and where appropriate, approved proposals in the draft minutes of the Student Services Committee from its meeting of 13 November and 4 December 2007 with particular reference to:

SS/07-08/54 Financial Assistance Committee Annual Report The Board expressed concern at the relatively high number of Nursing students in receipt of financial assistance, noting that this was a sectoral issue which was being investigated by the Union of Students in Ireland.

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SECTION C

BD/07-08/170 Higher Degrees The Board noted Higher Degrees, approved by the sub-committee of Board and Council on 15 January 2008, as circulated.

BD/07-08/171 Senate Business Meeting

- (i) **Degrees of MA (j.o.)** The Board noted and approved a memorandum from the Registrar, circulated dated 23 January 2008.
- (ii) **Name Changes** The Board approved the request of the Registrar to alter the names in which two graduates were admitted to degrees in 2007 as follows:
 - (a) June Dayle Jelm Jelm: to be changed to June Dayle Jelm;
 - (b) Craig Caulfield: to be changed to Craig David Byron Caulfield.

BD/07-08/172 Minutes of Meeting of 24 October 2007 - BD/07-08/054 - Audit Committee The Board approved the addition of the following sentence: 'The Board also approved the Charter for Internal Audit as presented'.

BD/07-08/173 Sealings The Board noted:

- (i) **Judgement Mortgage Discharge - Veronica Mullins** The Seal of the College was put to a Form of Discharge of a Judgement Mortgage held by the Provost, Fellows and Scholars of the College of the Holy and Undivided Trinity of Queen Elizabeth near Dublin against the property of Ms Veronica Mullins. [3/10/07]
- (ii) **Biotechnology Institute** The Seal of the College was put in duplicate to a Licence Agreement for space within the Biotechnology Institute, between the Provost, Fellows and Scholars of the College of the Holy and Undivided Trinity of Queen Elizabeth near Dublin and Merrion Pharmaceuticals Ireland Limited. [29/11/07]
- (iii) **Enterprise Centre, Pearse Street**
 The Seal of the College was put in duplicate to a Deed of Surrender for Units 4.1, 4.2 and 4.5, Trinity College Enterprise Centre with Moneymate Ltd.
 The Seal of the College was put in duplicate to a Licence Agreement for Unit 15, Trinity College Enterprise Centre with Moneymate Ltd.
 The Seal of the College was put in duplicate to a Licence Agreement for Unit G2, Trinity College Enterprise Centre with Linda Uhlemann.
 The Seal of the College was put to in duplicate to a Licence Agreement for Unit 3, Trinity College Enterprise Centre with Ammodo Ltd.
 The Seal of the College was put in duplicate to a Licence Agreement for Unit 23, Trinity College Enterprise Centre with GMS Professional Imaging Ltd.
 The Seal of the College was put in duplicate to Surrender Agreements for Units 2 and 3, Trinity College Enterprise Centre with Xsil Ltd.
 [12/12/07]
- (iv) **Pharmacy Building Refurbishment - Dunwoody and Dobson**
 The Seal of the College was put in duplicate to an Agreement and Conditions of Contract for building work associated with the refurbishment of the Pharmacy Building between the Provost, Fellows and Scholars of the College of the Holy and Undivided Trinity of Queen Elizabeth near Dublin and Dunwoody & Dobson Ltd, Building Contractors.

 The Seal of the College was put in duplicate to a Collateral Agreement in respect of the installation of fume cupboards as part of the refurbishment of the Pharmacy Building between the Provost, Fellows and Scholars of the

College of the Holy and Undivided Trinity of Queen Elizabeth near Dublin and Dunwoody and Dobson Ltd, Building Contractors.

The Seal of the College was put in duplicate to a Collateral Agreement in respect of the installation of piped gases as part of the refurbishment of the Pharmacy Building between the Provost, Fellows and Scholars of the College of the Holy and Undivided Trinity of Queen Elizabeth near Dublin and Dunwoody and Dobson Ltd, Building Contractors. [17/12/07]

- (v) **NIBRT - Supplemental Agreement** The Seal of the College was put to a Supplemental Agreement, in respect of the National Institute for Bioprocessing Research and Training Limited (NIBRT) between the IDA and University College Dublin, the Provost, Fellows and Scholars of the College of the Holy and Undivided Trinity of Queen Elizabeth near Dublin, Dublin City University and the Institute of Technology, Sligo. [18/12/07]
- (vi) **3 South Leinster Street - Redcoral Limited**
The Seal of the College was put in duplicate to a Licence for Works for the ground floor and basement of 3 South Leinster Street between the Provost, Fellows and Scholars of the College of the Holy and Undivided Trinity of Queen Elizabeth near Dublin and Redcoral Limited.

The Seal of the College was put in duplicate to a Lease Agreement for the ground floor and basement of 3 South Leinster Street between the Provost, Fellows and Scholars of the College of the Holy and Undivided Trinity of Queen Elizabeth near Dublin and Redcoral Limited. [18/12/07]
- (vii) **Science Gallery Fit Out** The Seal of the College was put to a Contract for Works for the Fit out of the Science Gallery by Precision Construction Limited. [18/12/07]
- (viii) **Enterprise Centre - Pearse Street** The Seal of the College was put in duplicate to a Grant Agreement with Enterprise Ireland regarding conversion of Unit 5 Trinity College Enterprise Centre. [18/12/07]
- (ix) **Apollo House, Tara Street, 9th Floor - Refurbishment** The Seal of the College was put in duplicate to between Kildownet Limited and the Provost, Fellows and Scholars of the College of the Holy and Undivided Trinity of Queen Elizabeth near Dublin. [11/1/08]

BD/07-08/174 Prizes and Other Awards

- (i) **Henry Flood Research Scholarship - 2007/08** The Board noted and approved the request of the Dean of Graduate Studies for an extension of the research award of €8,000 for the academic year 2007/08 from the Henry Flood Bequest for Mr Patrick Lyons (postgraduate student number 00159956).
- (ii) **Biggs Memorial Prize** The Board noted and approved the recommendation of the Senior Lecturer to award this prize to Mr Ali Aaltaf (0792284).
- (iii) **Postgraduate Ussher Fellowships** The Board noted the approval by Executive Officers of an increase in the maintenance award for 2007/2008 from €12.7k to €16k resulting in an increased cost to the *cista communis* of €74k.

BD/07-08/175 **Tutorship** The Board noted and approved the following appointments to tutorship with effect from 1 January 2008:

Dr J Thijssen (Economics) to replace Dr H Buckley (Social Work and Social Policy);

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Dr C MacMaolain (half chamber) and Dr C Donnelly (half-chamber) to replace Professor W Binchy (Law).

- BD/07-08/176 **Trinity Ball 2008** The Board approved the request of the committee that the Trinity Ball may be held on 9 May 2008.

- BD/07-08/177 **Representation - An Comhairle Leabharlanna** The Board approved the nomination of the Librarian and College Archivist (Mr R Adams) to represent the College for five years from 1 January 2008.

- BD/07-08/178 **Scholarship - Intermission** The Board approved the request of the Senior Lecturer for intermission of Non-Foundation Scholarship for 2007-2008, constituting a third year of intermission for a Scholar in European Studies (014033966).

- BD/07-08/179 **Foundation Scholarship Examinations - Management Science and Information Systems Sciences** The Board noted and approved a memorandum from the Senior Lecturer, circulated dated 18 January 2008.

- BD/07-08/180 **Equality Committee - Membership** The Board noted and approved the nomination of Ms T Moloney (School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences) to replace Ms I Gannon who has retired from the College.

- BD/07-08/181 **Finance Committee - Membership** The Board noted and approved the nomination of Mrs P E Murphy as a member of this committee, replacing Ms M Leahy.

SECTION D

In compliance with the Data Protection Acts this information is restricted.

Signed:

Date: