

Incorporating any amendments approved at subsequent Council meetings

The University of Dublin

Trinity College

A meeting of the University Council was held on Wednesday 9 November 2005 at 11.15 am in the Board Room.

<i>Present</i>	Vice-Provost (in the chair), Senior Lecturer, Registrar, Senior Tutor, Dean of Graduate Studies, Dean of Arts and Humanities, Dr E O'Halpin, Dr E V Patten, Dean of Engineering and Systems Sciences, Dr A Kokaram, Dr A W Kelly, Dean of Science, Dr N M Marples, Mr D McCormack, Mr S Hall, Mr C Larkin.
<i>Apologies</i>	Provost, Dean of Social and Human Sciences, Ms M L Rhodes, Ms F M Haffey, Dr C J Benson.
<i>In attendance</i>	Librarian, Secretary, Academic Secretary.
<i>Observers</i>	Dr P C Conroy, Professor D M Singleton, Dr S P Wilson, Professor C M Begley, Professor P Coxon, Dr M L Brennan, Dr N M Claffey.
<i>Student observer</i>	Mr A Gilliland.

A member of Council attending for the first time made the statutory declaration.

SECTION A

CL/05-06/035 Minutes The minutes of the meetings of 12th October 2005 and 14th October 2005 were approved.

The College Secretary confirmed Dr Wilson's status as an observer on Council for the current year. He also undertook to correct the attendance list to indicate that Mr Gilliland had been present at the meeting of 12 October 2005.

CL/05-06/036 Matters Arising from the Minutes A number of matters arising from the Minutes were discussed and have been minuted under appropriate headings hereafter.

CL/05-06/037 Heads of School Committee – Centre for Academic Practice and Student Learning (see Actum CL/05-06/015 of 12th October 2005) The Senior Lecturer advised that the draft terms of reference for the Undergraduate Teaching and Learning Committee (UTLC) provided for appropriate linkage between the UTLC and the Centre for Academic Practice and Student Learning (CAPSL). He noted also that the Director of CAPSL will be a member of the Undergraduate Teaching and Learning Committee.

CL/05-06/038 Heads of School Committee – Student Representation on Executive Committees (see Actum CL/05-06/015 of 12th October 2005) The Senior Lecturer reported that the Board had agreed that there should be two student representatives on Executive Committees. This will be reviewed at the end of the current academic year.

CL/05-06/039 Academic Structures – Relationship between new Schools, Faculties and Central Decision-making (see Actum CL/05-06/008 of 12th October 2005) The Senior Lecturer reported that the Heads' Committee was of the view that its papers should not be circulated to students' union officers.

CL/05-06/040 Chair in Ecumenics (see Actum CL/05-06/034 of 14th October 2005) The Secretary reported that Dr Hogan will take up appointment on 1 January 2006.

CL/05-06/041 Provost's Report On behalf of the Provost, the Vice-Provost advised Council that the Irish Universities Association (IUA) had submitted a paper to government entitled 'Reform of 3rd Level and Creation of 4th Level Ireland – Securing Competitive Advantage for the 21st Century'.

A copy of the document is available on the IUA website.

In response to a question from the Vice-President of the Graduate Students' Union, the Secretary indicated that it is not normal practice for Council to discuss IUA documents.

CL/05-06/042 Academic Re-Structuring

(i) *Nominations for Executive Committees in Schools and Vice-Deaneries* A memorandum from the Senior Lecturer dated 2nd November 2005 had been circulated together with the proposed membership of Executive Committees in seventeen Schools and Vice-Deaneries.

Council noted and approved the proposals as presented. The Senior Lecturer indicated that proposals for Executive Committees in the School of Medicine, the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, and the Vice-Deanery in Genetics and Microbiology will be presented to the next meeting.

(ii) *Officerships in Schools and Vice-Deaneries* A memorandum from the Senior Lecturer dated 2nd November 2005 had been circulated together with updated information on nominations for the posts of Directors of Teaching and Learning (Undergraduate), Teaching and Learning (Postgraduate), and Research.

In response to a query, the Senior Lecturer advised that discussions were ongoing with the School of Medicine and that he hoped to present a complete set of nominations to the next Council meeting.

(iii) *Student Representation on School, Vice-Deanery and Faculty Committees* A memorandum from the Senior Lecturer dated 2nd November 2005 had been circulated. Council noted and approved revisions to student representation in the School of Nursing and Midwifery, as outlined in the circulated memorandum.

CL/05-06/043 Junior Promotions Committee The Council approved the recommendations of the Junior Promotions Committee from its meeting of 28 October 2005 in respect of the following promotions as set out in the memorandum from the Secretary to the Junior Promotions Committee, tabled dated 4 November 2005. The recommendations will take effect from 1 October 2005:

(i) **Accelerated advancement at time of confirmation in appointment**
Dr V R Troll (Geology)

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Dr S Connon (Chemistry)
Dr D Zaitsev (Mathematics)

- (ii) **Merit Bar Review 2005**
Ms P Cronin (Nursing Studies)
Dr J P Gormley (Psychology)
Dr P Jansen (Psychology – Nursing and Midwifery)
Dr D Limond (Education)
Dr D Tombs (Reconciliation Studies – Irish School of Ecumenics)
- (iii) **Junior Promotions Committee – Amendment to Procedures** Council also noted and approved the proposed amendments to procedures for the submission of reports on candidates during probation and at the Merit Bar in the context of the new academic structures, as follows:
- The report to be written by the Head of Discipline
 - The Head of Discipline to discuss the content of this report with the candidate
 - The Head of School to receive and review the candidate's application and the Head of Discipline's report
 - The Head of School to counter-sign the Head of Discipline's report and send it, with the candidate's application, to the Committee Secretary.

CL/05-06/044 Heads of School Committee

- (i) *Proposed Terms of Reference:* A copy of the proposed terms of reference for the Heads of School Committee had been circulated. The Senior Lecturer advised Council that the terms of reference had been discussed on two occasions by the Heads and were now presented to Council for approval.

The Senior Lecturer stated that the Heads of School Committee is a principal committee of the University Council. The committee may make recommendations on academic policy matters to the University Council as appropriate, and may make decisions within the context of agreed policies of the Council and the Board.

In response to a comment from the Senior Tutor regarding student representation on the committee, the Senior Lecturer stated that students will be represented on School Executive Committees and they also have very broad representation on School, Vice-Deanery and Faculty Committees, the details of which were agreed at the previous meeting. The Dean of Graduate Studies commented that students are represented on the Graduate Studies Committee and on other sub-committees of the Heads' Committee.

It was noted that the terms of reference indicate that the Heads' Committee will consider issues involving finance, resources and staffing. This was in the context of its consideration of all matters relating to academic policy.

It was agreed that item 8 should be modified to reflect the role of Deans and should read as follows: 'To monitor and evaluate the implementation of quality processes, and to initiate discussion of new quality processes, *in consultation with the Deans' Committee*'. The Senior Lecturer indicated that he will report to a future meeting of Council on current discussions regarding quality processes.

- Subject to the above amendment, Council approved the terms of reference for the Heads' Committee, noting that they will be reviewed at the end of 2005-06.
- (ii) ***Draft minutes of meeting held on 25th October 2005:*** The Senior Lecturer introduced the draft minutes of the Heads' Committee meeting held on 25th October, a copy of which had been circulated. The Senior Lecturer advised Council that the Dean of Research had briefed the Heads on the re-organisation of research activity in the context of new academic structures and the ARAM. He noted that there is complexity in the relationship between Schools and Research Institutes particularly in relation to financial issues and governance and that these matters are currently being considered. In relation to strategic planning, the Director of the Trinity Foundation had attended the Heads' Committee and briefed Heads on fund-raising activity and how it links into the College's broader strategic planning process. The Heads had also considered issues of representation on School Committees and information was currently being prepared to facilitate further discussion. The Senior Lecturer indicated that he was in the process of establishing two sub-groups - one to review academic titles and another to review cross-discipline and service teaching - and will be proposing membership of the sub-groups to the next meeting of the Heads.

It was noted that a copy of the progress report to the Irish Universities Quality Board on the implementation of recommendations arising from the EUA quality review contained in the TCD report is available on the website. The Senior Lecturer agreed to circulate a copy with papers for the next meeting of Council.

The Senior Tutor requested that in relation to processing of new course proposals, Heads should be advised of the need to consider the 'disability-proofing' of courses.

In response to a question, the Senior Lecturer stated that the issue of who should hold the Chair of the Heads' Committee had been discussed by the Board in Trinity Term and it had been agreed that the Senior Lecturer should chair the committee in 2005-06. The matter had also been discussed by the Heads' Committee.

A number of queries were raised in relation to the financing and governance of research centres. In response, the Senior Lecturer proposed and the Council agreed that the Dean of Research be invited to attend the next meeting to brief Council on these matters.

It was noted that the recommendations of the sub-group of Heads that will review academic titles will ultimately be submitted to Council and Board for approval.

The Senior Lecturer advised that two task forces have been established as part of the review of administrative and support structures and both had met on a number of occasions. A website was currently being developed to ensure that the College community was informed of discussions and to facilitate submission of comments.

In response to a question, the College Secretary stated that the Board will consider further the implications for the College of the Fixed Term Workers Act. The matter will also be considered by the Heads' Committee.

Council noted the comment of the Dean of Graduate Studies that revised terms of reference for the Graduate Studies Committee had been approved by the Heads' Committee.

CL/05-06/045 Nominations for Appointment Council noted and approved the circulated information (see Appendix 1).

CL/05-06/046 Chair Appointments - Regius Chair of Greek (1761) and Chair of Latin (1870): Under Other Business a memorandum dated 7th November 2005 from Professor Jane Ohlmeyer, Head of the School of Histories and Humanities and from Dr Christine Morris, Head of Classics, had been circulated.

Council noted the arguments presented by Professor Ohlmeyer and Dr Morris regarding the strategic importance of filling the Chairs. Council noted that the financing arrangements for the two Chairs had been agreed, and that this and other arrangements were in accordance with the new procedures approved by Council and Board at their last meetings.

Council approved the membership of the Search Committees, drawn up in accordance with the new procedures, as follows:

Regius Chair of Greek (1761)

Provost
Senior Lecturer
Head of School of Histories and Humanities
Professor Andrew Mayes
Professor John O'Hagan
Dr Christine Morris

Chair of Latin (1870)

Provost
Senior Lecturer
Head of School of Histories and Humanities
Professor John Scattergood
Professor Celia Holland
Dr Christine Morris

Arising from discussion of this item, the Vice-Provost stated that a number of sub-groups of Officers were working on the strategic planning process and on the arrangements necessary to ensure the alignment of School plans with the College's strategic plan. It was envisaged that in future, proposals to fill Chair appointments will be included in the strategic plans of Schools which will ultimately be approved by the Board. Council and Board may invite the Faculty Dean to give an academic overview in this regard

SECTION B

CL/05-06/047 Academic Appeals Committee The Council approved the recommendations of the Academic Appeals Committee from its meetings of 14 and 18 October 2005, as circulated.

- CL/05-06/048 Personnel and Appointments Committee** The Council noted and approved the recommendations as set out in the minutes of the Personnel and Appointments Committee from its meeting of 19 October 2005, which had been circulated.

SECTION C

- CL/05-06/049 Higher Degrees—Reports of Examiners** The Council noted and approved the reports of examiners on candidates for higher degrees, approved by the sub-committee of Board and Council on 27 September 2005 and noted by Board on 26 October 2005.

(i) **Professional Higher Degrees by Research Alone**

MD Muhammad Adrees; Stewart Terence Duffy; James Mark Kiely.

(ii) **Higher Degrees by Research Alone**

PhD Patricia Bergin; Clare Brennan; Mary Clarke; Ali Elsaeh Enbaia; Timothy Kirby Forde; Laura Jane French; Peter Haraszti; Sarah Catherine Marie Higgins; James Hilton; Celine Mullins; Tadhg Séan O'Donovan; Cécile Marie Anne Ollagnier; Niall Rea; Fernando Mário Rhen; Karl Peter John Roa; Benedict Kevin Ryan; Jean-Marc Leon Seigneur; Anna Catriona Shore; Kerstin Wagner; Patrick Bernhagen; Eric Shea; Andrew Joseph Fitzsimons; Karen Paula Fricker; Cybelle Alice Greenlaw; Lidia Tajber; Katharine Temple Von Stackelberg.

MSc Max Bacik; Robert Byrne; Honor Ann Chance; Siobhán Colfer; Ivana Dusparic; Alice Flood; Chandrasekaran Gopalakrishnan; Julia Medori; Ruth Jane Nallen; Cormac O'Brien; Eoin Pol Proinsias Ó Colgáin; Niamh O'Dwyer; Irene Ellen Regan; Michelle Marie Walsh.

MLitt Gabriel Brennan; Claire Helene Bryan; Susan Ann Muire Gogan; Patrick Anthony Leahy; Imogen McGrath; Bridget McNally; Christine Estelle Morton; Paul Joseph Quigley.

- CL/05-06/050 Headships** The Council noted the following nominations:

- (i) **Head of School of Linguistic, Speech and Communication Sciences**
Professor D G Little, 2005-2008;
- (ii) **Head of Discipline, Department of Philosophy**
Dr J Levine, 2005-2008;
- (iii) **Acting Head of Physiotherapy**
Ms J Hussey, 2005-2006.

- CL/05-06/051 Visiting Academic – Physics** The Council granted recognition to Dr Ahmet Oral, Bilkent University, Turkey, visiting the School of Physics from 11 October 2005 to 1 April 2006.

- CL/05-06/052 BA Moderatorship in Theoretical Physics – Course Director** The Council noted and approved the proposal of the School of Physics that Dr S M McMurry be formally appointed as the Course Director for the BA Moderatorship in Theoretical Physics with effect from 30 September 2005 to 12 July 2007.

CL/05-06/053 Representation – University of Dublin Representatives on Interview Panels for Lecturers in Coláiste Mhuire, Marino The Council approved the following representatives:

- (i) **Part-time Lectureship in Mathematics Education** Dr D Murchan;
- (ii) **Part-time Lectureship in Religious Education** Dr A Loxley;
- (iii) **Part-time Lectureship in Teaching and Learning through ICT** Dr D Murchan.

CL/05-06/054 Nominating Committee The Council approved the membership of the following committees:

- (i) **Lectureship in Astrophysics (School of Physics) (3 year contract)**
Professor J G Lunney
Professor E McCabe
Dr B Espey
Professor T Ray (DIAS)
Dr D Pollacco (QUB)
- (ii) **CAPSL – Academic Developer**
Professor T B Barry
Professor J Panter
Academic Secretary
- (iii) **Lectureships in Genetics (3) – Permanent**
Professor D J McConnell
Professor P Humphries
Professor S Martin
Professor K Wolfe
Professor D Bradley
Professor K M Devine
Professor T J Foster
Dr G Butler (UCD)
- (iv) **Lectureship in Health Informatics – School of Computer Science and Statistics – Contract of Indefinite Duration**
Dr D M Abrahamson
Professor J B Grimson
Professor V Cahill
Dr L Hederman
Dr C Walsh
Professor K P Conlon
Professor D Ingram (London)

Signed

Date

Appendix 1 to Actum CL/05-06/045

Nominations for Appointment

Department	Post	Name and Qualifications	Start date	Termination date (if contract)
Biochemistry and Immunology	Research Associate	HEFFERNAN, Andrew, BSc, PhD (Monash)	13-09-2005	12-09-2006
Centre for High Performance Computing	ICHEC Support Scientist	KINSELLA, Gemma, BA (Dubl.)	01-06-2005	31-12-2007
Chemistry	Research Fellow	FEARON Joanne, BSc (NUI)	01-11-2005	30-09-2008
Clinical Medicine	Part-Time Lecturer	MCCARTHY, Sinead, BSc, MSc, PhD (NUI)	01-10-2005	30-09-2008
Clinical Medicine	Part-Time Lecturer	MCKEVITT, Aideen, BSc (NUI), MSc (NUI), PhD (Calg.)	01-10-2005	30-09-2008
Clinical Medicine	Research Fellow	LYSAGHT, Joanne, BSc (NUI), PhD (Dubl.)	05-12-2005	04-12-2007
Clinical Medicine	Research Fellow	OLWELL, Peter, BSc (NUI), PhD (Dubl.)	20-10-2005	30-09-2008
Clinical Medicine	Associate Research Lecturer	KERSKENS, Christian, MSc, ScD (Univ. Cologne)	01-10-2005	30-09-2008
Clinical Medicine/ Physics	Research Fellow	ROGATCH, Andrei, PhD (Belarusian State Univ.)	01-10-2005	30-09-2006
Computer Science	Research Fellow	BLIGH, James, BA (NUI)	01-12-2005	30-09-2006
Computer Science	Research Fellow	JENNINGS, Kevin, MA (NUI), BMus, BSc, HDip (Dubl.)	01-11-2005	30-09-2006
Computer Science	Visiting Research Fellow	BRENNAN, Eileen, HDip, BA (NUI), MSc (Dubl.)	01-10-2005	30-09-2006
Computer Science	Visiting Research Fellow	GORMAN, Michael, BA (Oxon.), PhD (Florence)	01-10-2005	30-09-2006
Economics	Part-Time Lecturer	BREW, Mary, BA, MLitt (Dubl.)	01-10-2005	30-09-2006
Economics	Part-Time Lecturer	MCGOLDRICK, Peter, PhD (Dubl.)	01-10-2005	30-09-2006
Economics	Part-Time Lecturer	O'BRIEN, Edward, BA, PhD (Dubl.)	01-10-2005	30-09-2006
Economics	Part-Time Lecturer	O'NEILL, Helen, BComm (NUI), MA, PhD (Magill), Dip Environmental Asses Mgmt (NUI)	01-10-2005	30-09-2006
Economics	Part-Time Lecturer	SIBLEY, Christopher, BA, MA (NUI), Dipl in Statistics., PhD (Dubl.)	01-10-2005	30-06-2006
Economics	Part-Time Lecturer	WHELAN, Karl, BA (Dubl.), PhD (M.I.T.)	01-10-2005	30-09-2006

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Economics	Research Fellow	COLOMBO, Luca, BA, PhD (Bologna)	01-10-2005	30-09-2006
English	Lecturer	JORGENSEN, Alice, BA (Oxon.), MA, PhD (York (UK))	06-02-2006	Permanent
English	Lecturer	KILLEEN, Jarlath, BA (Dubl.), PhD (NUI)	01-01-2006	Permanent
English	Part-time Lecturer	STEVENS, Julie-Ann, MA (NUI), MPhil, PhD (Dubl.)	01-10-2005	01-07-2006
English	Research Fellow	DILLANE, Fionnuala, BA, MA (NUI), PhD (Dubl.)	01-10-2005	30-09-2007
English	Visiting Lecturer	GUEST, Clare Estelle Lapraik, BA, Pg Dip (Oxon.), MPhil (Dubl.), Qualification for Professional & Diplomatic Teaching, Translation & Interpretation of Italian (Italian State Univ.), PhD (Dubl.),	17-10-2005	31-01-2006
Enterprise Ireland Bio	Visiting Research Fellow	WILLIAMS, Samantha, BSc (Univ. of Wales), DPhil (Oxon.)	01-10-2005	31-01-2006
Germanic Studies	Research Fellow	MAGSHAMRAIN, Rachel, BA, PhD (Dubl.)	01-10-2005	30-09-2006
Institute of Molecular Medicine	Research Fellow	DUGGAN, Shane, Dipl (DIT), BSc (Dubl)	17-10-2005	16-10-2007
Institute for International Integration Studies	Research Assistant	JONES, Heather, BA (Dubl.), M.Phil (Cantab.)	01-10-2005	30-06-2006
Institute for International Integration Studies	Research Fellow	BAUR, Dirk Gerhard, Diploma Economics, PhD (Tuebingen)	01-11-2005	30-06-2007
Law	Part-Time Lecturer	DONLAN, Sean Patrick, BA (Univ. of Houston), JD (Louisiana State Univ.), PhD (Dubl.)	03-10-2005	16-12-2005
Microbiology	Research Fellow	LOUGHMAN, Anthony, BA (Dubl.)	01-11-2005	30-06-2007
Nursing and Midwifery Studies	Research Fellow	LARKIN, Patricia, RGN, RM, MSc (Lond.), ADM (Wales), PGCEA (Sur.)	01-10-2005	30-09-2008
Nursing and Midwifery Studies	Visiting Professor	BARKER, Philip, PhD (Oxon.), RPN, FRCN	01-10-2005	30-09-2008
Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences	Research Fellow	BUTLER, Stephen BSc (DCU), PhD (Dubl.)	26-09-2005	30-09-2006
Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences	Research Fellow	RADICS, Gabor, PhD (Leipzig), MSc, BSc (E.L.Bud.)	01-10-2005	30-09-2006
Philosophy	Part-Time Lecturer	DE WISPELAERE, Jurgen, BSc, BA, MA, (Univ. Gent), PhD (LSE)	01-10-2005	30-09-2006
Philosophy	Part-Time Lecturer	MCLOUGHLIN, Joseph, BA, PhD (Dubl.)	01-10-2005	30-09-2006
Physics	Research Fellow	CHOUDHARY, Ram Janay, PhD (Univ. Pune)	01-09-2005	31-08-2007

Physics	Research Fellow	FLEISCHER, Karsten, Vordiplom, Dipl, PhD (T.U. Berlin)	01-10-2005	30-09-2007
Physics	Research Fellow	KASHANIN, Dmitri, MSc (Dubl.)	01-09-2005	30-08-2006
Physics	Research Fellow	LANGLOIS, Vincent, MSc (ENS, Lyon)	01-01-2006	30-09-2007
Physics	Research Fellow	TESSARIN, Severino, Laurea in Fisica (Univ. Ferrara)	01-10-2005	30-09-2006
Physiology	Research Fellow	DOWNER, Eric, BA , PhD (Dubl.)	17-10-2005	16-01-2006
Psychiatry	Research Fellow	ANNEY, Richard James Leon, BSc (Birm.), PhD (University of Wales)	20-10-2005	Indefinite Duration
Psychology	Research Fellow	McELVANEY, Rosaleen, BA, MPsychSc (NUI),Dip Integ. Psych. (Irish Institute of Integrative Psychotherapy)	01-10-2005	30-09-2006