

**UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK**

FACULTY OF SCIENCE

Board of the Faculty of Science

There will be a meeting of the Board of the Faculty of Science on 8 November 2006 at 2pm in the Council Chamber, University House.

CE Charlton  
University Secretary

**Note:** Questions on agenda items or apologies for this meeting should be directed to the Secretary of the Committee, Jamie Darwen (ext. 72821 or [jamie.darwen@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:jamie.darwen@warwick.ac.uk)) or the Assistant Secretary, Helen Johnson (ext. 74766 or [h.m.johnson@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:h.m.johnson@warwick.ac.uk)).

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**AGENDA**

1. Constitution, Membership and Terms of Reference

TO REPORT:

(a) Constitution and Membership.

The constitution and membership of the following committees within the Faculty of Science for the academic year 2006/07:

- (i) Board of the Faculty of Science (BFS.15/05-06(revised), copy attached).
- (ii) Sub-Faculty of Science (BFS.16/05-06(revised 2), copy attached).
- (iii) Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Science (BFS.17/05-06(revised), copy attached).
- (iv) Faculty of Science Information Technology Committee (BFS.18/05-06(revised), copy attached).
- (v) First Year Board of Examiners (BFS.19/05-06(revised), copy attached).
- (vi) Examination Appeals Committee Panels (BFS.20/05-06(revised), copy attached).
- (vii) Other Board Elections (BFS.21/05-06(revised), copy attached)

(b) Terms of Reference.

That paragraph 4 of Statute 21 stated that the Board of each Faculty would have the following powers and functions:

- (i) To regulate, subject to these Statutes and the Ordinances and Regulations and to review by the Senate, the teaching, curricula and examinations in the subjects prescribed for the Faculty.
- (ii) To recommend to the Senate examiners for appointment.
- (iii) To make recommendations to the Senate for the award of Degrees (other than Honorary Degrees), Diplomas, Certificates and other distinctions in the subjects prescribed for the Faculty.

- (iv) To recommend to the Senate Sub-Faculties and Departments to be constituted by the Council.
- (v) To delegate to the Sub-Faculties such matters as are deemed appropriate.
- (vi) To appoint members of the Board of the Faculty to be members of the Senate as provided for under Statute 19.
- (vii) To discharge such other functions as the Senate may from time to time determine.

2. Minutes

TO CONSIDER:

The minutes of the meeting of the Board of the Faculty of Science held on 24 May 2006 (copy attached).

3. Matters arising on the Minutes

4. Report from the Sub-Faculty

TO RECEIVE:

The minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Faculty of Science held on 25 October 2006 (copy attached).

5. Report from the Graduate Studies Committee

TO RECEIVE:

The minutes of the meeting of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Board of the Faculty of Science held on 25 October 2006 (copy attached).

6. Report from the Faculty of Science IT Committee

TO RECEIVE:

The minutes of the meeting of the Faculty of Science IT Committee held on 18 October 2006 (copy attached).

7. Report from the Faculty of Science Research Committee

TO RECEIVE:

The minutes of the recent meeting of the Faculty of Science Research Committee, to follow.

8. Chair's Business

(a) Election of Deputy Chair

TO CONSIDER:

A proposal to elect a Deputy Chair for the Board of the Faculty of Science.

(b) Advantage West Midlands

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Chair on the Science Cities initiative, being funded by Advantage West Midlands.

(c) Feedback to Students

TO CONSIDER:

A report from the Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Teaching and Learning on feedback to students (to be tabled).

(d) RCUK Consultation on Peer Review

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Chair on the Research Councils UK consultation on peer review.

(e) Grant Activity and Spend Profiles

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Chair on grant activity and spend profiles.

(f) Targets for Undergraduate and Overseas Student Numbers

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Chair on targets for undergraduate and overseas student numbers.

9. Research Assessment and Funding

TO CONSIDER:

The response from the University of Warwick to the DfES consultation on the reform of Higher Education research assessment and funding (paper BFS.1/06-07, copy attached).

10. International Strategy

TO RECEIVE:

(a) An oral report from the Chair on the International Committee

TO CONSIDER:

(b) The election of an additional representative from the Science Faculty to the International Strategy Committee.

11. Faculty Advisory Board

TO CONSIDER:

A report from the meeting of the Faculty of Science Advisory Board held on 1 November 2006, to follow.

12. Annual Course Review

TO CONSIDER:

A composite report on the postgraduate course review reports for 2004-05 from across the Faculty of Science (paper SGS.12/06-07 (revised), copy attached).

13. QAA Institutional Audit

TO REPORT:

That the next QAA Institutional Audit is scheduled for Autumn 2008.

14. Items to be brought to the Senate

TO CONSIDER:

Whether there are any specific issues which the Board of the Faculty wishes to refer to the Senate for consideration.

15. Future Meetings and Deadline for Papers:

TO REPORT:

- (a) That the future meetings of the Board of the Faculty of Science in the academic year 2006/07 would be held on the following dates:

Spring Term – Wednesday 14 February 2007, 2.00pm **(Room PS128)**  
Summer Term – Wednesday 30 May 2007, 2.00pm (Council Chamber)

- (b) That the deadline for the receipt of papers is 12 noon six working days preceding each meeting of the Board of the Faculty.

TO CONSIDER:

- (c) A proposal that the dates of meetings of the Board of the Faculty of Science in the spring and summer terms be brought forward one week.

16. Any Other Business

17. Reserved Items

See separate agenda (copy attached) for academic members of the Board of the Faculty only.