

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

Minutes of the meeting of the Steering Committee held on 23 February 2004.

Present: Vice-Chancellor (in the Chair)
Professor Carter
Professor Dyson
Mr R Jones
Professor J Jones
Professor McCrae
Professor McFarlane
Professor Mullender
Professor Palmer
Professor Thomas
Professor Whitby

Apologies: Professor Easton, Director of Personnel Services.

In Attendance: Acting Registrar, Academic Registrar, Finance Director, University Secretary, Ms A Goodall, Miss E Clewlow, for item 260/03-04 Head of Financial Reporting.

256/03-04 Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 16 February 2004 be approved.

257/03-04 Higher Education Academy (minute 248/03-04 refers)

REPORTED: (by Professor Whitby)

That, in the absence of other expressions of interest, he had submitted an application to become a member of the Board of the Higher Education Academy.

RESOLVED:

That the Committee record its thanks to Professor Whitby for his willingness to serve.

258/03-04 Shakespeare Birthplace Trust (minute 252/03-04 refers)

RESOLVED:

That Professor J Bate or Dr C Rutter be invited to serve as the University's representative on the Governing Body of the Shakespeare Birthplace Trust.

259/03-04 Centres for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (minute 244/03-04 refers)

REPORTED: (by the Academic Registrar)

That he would have an opportunity at a forthcoming HEFCE meeting to take informal soundings regarding the development of a collaborative bid for a centre for creativity and performance in teaching and learning.

260/03-04 AUT Industrial Action

CONSIDERED:

A memorandum from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor setting out the University's position on the industrial action being taken by the AUT together with a briefing from the Director of Personnel Services on the background to the dispute (SC.135/03-04).

RESOLVED:

That a decision on the University's position in regard to the fraction of pay to be deducted from those members of staff taking industrial action on 24 and 25 February be deferred in order that the advice of the Director of Personnel Services could be obtained.

261/03-04 Undergraduate and Postgraduate Admissions

CONSIDERED:

University data on home and overseas undergraduate and postgraduate applications by course for entry in October 2004 as at the end of January 2004 (SC.132/03-04) together with oral reports from the Academic Registrar and the Chair of the Board of Graduate Studies.

RESOLVED:

That the Student Recruitment and Admissions Office be asked to provide for the Dean of the Warwick Business School comparative data on applications for business studies courses across the HE sector.

262/03-04 Postgraduate Application Fee

RECEIVED:

A report from the Student Recruitment and Admissions Office on the implementation and costs of the Postgraduate Application Fee (SC.133/03-04).

263/03-04 Students' Union Sabbatical Officers 2004/2005 (minute 249/03-04 refers)

RECEIVED:

A list of the remaining Union Sabbatical Officers elected for the academic year 2004/2005 (SC.131/03-04); it being noted that there would be an opportunity to meet incoming officers in the course of the Summer Term.