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**Minutes of the 14th ATU Governing Body Meeting
Held on Monday 8th May 2023 at 9.00 a.m.
MS Teams**

Present:

Maura McNally (Chairperson) – online	MMcN
Dr Orla Flynn (President) - online	OF
Ursula Cox - online	UC
Dara Foynes - online	DF
Michael Gilvarry - online	MGil
Michael Geoghegan – online	MG
Séamus Hughes - online	SH
Dr Mary Kelly- online	MK
Patricia King – online	PK
Dáire Martin - online	DM
Dr Brian McCann - online	BMcC
Mary McGinley - online	MMcG
Anne McHugh - online	AMcH
Felim McNeela - online	FMcN
Oonagh Monahan - online	OM
Dr Martin Robinson - online	MR
Gareth Roe – online	GR

In attendance:

Jim Fennell (Secretary) – online	JF
Seamus Given (Arthur Cox) – online	SG
Frances Wilson (Recording Secretary) – online	FW

Apologies:

Prof. Rachel Ashworth	RA
Edward Grant	EG
Colin Kearney	CK
David Minton	DMT

GB 014.01 Declaration of Conflicts of Interests

There were no conflicts of interest declared at this meeting.

The Governing Body expressed its sympathy to [REDACTED]

GB 014.02 Regulations for selection, election, nomination and appointment of members to the Governing Body

Séamus Given (Arthur Cox) joined the meeting and presented a draft set of regulation for the selection, election, nomination and appointment of members of the Governing Body prepared in accordance with the HEA Act 2022. The Governing Body reviewed the documents provided and proposed the following amendments:

Amendment 1: Section 5.4

The Committee shall consist of at least three members of the Governing Body, the majority of whom shall be external members.

Will replace:

The Committee shall consist of X members of the Governing Body, not less than Y of whom shall be external members.

Amendment 2: Section 5.6

The Committee shall convene on days and at times determined by the Chairperson of the Governing Body or the President and communicated to the other members of the Committee.

Will replace:

The Committee shall convene on days and at times determined by the President and communicated to the other members of the Committee.

Amendment 3: Section 5.10

The Committee shall hold such and so many meetings as necessary for the performance of its functions; the quorum of the Committee shall be a minimum of 50% of the membership.

Will replace:

The Committee shall hold such and so many meetings as may be necessary for the performance of its functions; the quorum for a meeting of the Committee shall be [●];

Amendment 4: Section 7.1

The Governing Body shall invite the University Students Union through its President(s).

Will replace:

Section 7.1 The Governing Body shall invite the University Students Union, through its President,

Amendment 5: Section 10

Where amendments of a minor or technical nature are considered necessary by the Governing Body and provided that the Minister is furnished with the particulars of the amendments made, these Regulations may be amended by the Governing Body.

Will replace:

Where amendments of a minor or technical nature are considered necessary by the Governing Body and provided that the Minister is furnished with the particulars of the amendments made, these Regulations may be amended by the governing authority.

Decision: The regulations subject to the above five amendments proposed above were approved by the Governing Body on the proposal of DF and seconded by AMcH.

Action items: The amendments would be made to the draft regulations as outlined above by SG. These regulations should be sent to the HEA for their review and approval.

The process of appointment of members to the Governing Body was then outlined by SG included as Schedule 1, 2, 3, 4 and the transitional arrangements outlined in Schedule 5. There were no amendments proposed to the process or the transitional arrangements.

Decision: The process for the appointment of the members to the Governing Body outlined in the Schedules 1, 2, 3, 4 and the transitional arrangements outlined in Schedule 5 were approved by the Governing Body on the proposal of DF and seconded by AMcH.

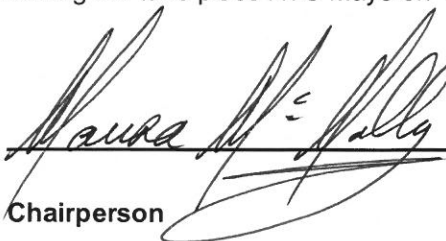
Action items: Subject to the approval of the regulations by the HEA/ Minister work should commence to form a nomination committee (as outlined in Schedule 1) and also the elections of staff (as outlined in Schedule 2,3 and 4).

GB 0014.3 AOB

There were no items brought up under AOB and the meeting ended at 10.15am

The next meeting will take place ATU Mayo on 15th May.

Signed:


Chairperson

Date:

