

LONDON'S GLOBAL UNIVERSITY



UCL

Key to abbreviations used in these Minutes:

HR	Human Resources
ISD	Information Systems Division

Preliminary Formal Business

contentious motions.

Discussion

41.4 Whilst Council was mindful of the difficulties created by a quorum set at an unrealistic level, it was suggested that the proposed 0.5% quorum left UCLU in danger of finding itself committed to policies supported by as few as 63 members. Council took the view that the proposed amendment would not provide the protection that a formal quorum level was designed to afford.

41.5 It was agreed that the quinquennial review of the Constitution required by the 1994 Education Act should be brought forward, and that the issue of the quorum should be considered as a part of that process by a group convened for that purpose by UCLU officers in consultation with the Vice-Provost (Operations), with a view to making further proposals to Council in due course.

42 SMART IT PROJECT

Reported

42.1 Council members were in receipt of representations from the UCU in relation to the ongoing Smart IT project, as well as a response from the Director of the Information Services Division to representations made by UCU in January 2012. It was noted that Council had approved at its meeting on 23 November 2011 the disestablishment of the Information Strategy Committee with effect from 1 January 2012 [*Council Minute 24.7, 2011-12*]. The Director of ISD was currently developing proposals for governance of the area, including academic representation, details of which would be submitted to Council in due course.

<p>Matters for approval or information</p>

43 ACADEMIC UNITS OF UCL

Received

43.1 APPENDIX C 3/37 (11-12) – a note outlining proposals (i) to disestablish the Wolfson Institute for Biomedical Research as an academic unit of UCL, in light of its proposed redesignation as a research department within the Division of Medicine, and (ii) to

RESOLVED

43.2

47 **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES TO COUNCIL**

Received

- 47.1 APPENDIX C *¹3/41 (11-12) – a list of committee minutes received since the last meeting of Council.

48 **CHAIR'S ACTION ON BEHALF OF COUNCIL**

Received

- 48.1 APPENDIX C 3/42 (11-12) – a note summarising action taken by the Chair since the last report to Council.

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Secretary to Council (and Director of Registry and Academic Services)
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¹ An appendix or annexe reference preceded by an asterisk indicates that, for the sake of economy, the document was not issued with the Agenda but was available on request to the Council Secretary's office and is filed with these Minutes.