

Board of Governors

Minutes of the meeting held on 16 February 2022

Present

Mark Mulcahey (Chair), Dayo Adedapo, Damilola Akhigbe, Lucie Armstrong-Kurn, Sue Dutton, Beth Garrett, Matthew Hanmer, Richard Horsley, Shiv Kaushike, Martin Pettifor, Ivna Reic, Jon Scott, John Skelton, Paul Wood

Apologies

Nick Pitts-Tucker

In Attendance

Emma Finlay (Governance Assistant), Miriam Lakin (Clerk to the Board)

01/22 Welcome, Apologies and Quorum

01.1 The Chair welcomed those present, noted apologies and confirmed that the meeting was quorate.

02/22 Declarations of Interest

02.1 There were no declarations of interest in addition to those already held on record by the Clerk.

03/22 Process for Appointment of Vice-Chancellor

03.1 The Board received and noted Paper A which gave details of the process that had been followed in the appointment of a new Vice-Chancellor of the

University. The Chair gave further details about the process, and the Board took assurance that the process had been robust and thorough.

04/22 Recommendation from Search and Transition Committee

- 04.1 The Chair thanked the members of the Search and Transition Committee for their involvement. He stated that external advice from GatenbySanderson and the Vice-Chancellor at Bath Spa University as part of the interview panel had been extremely valuable.
- 04.2 The Chair stated that the recommendation of the Search and Transition Committee and the interview panel was to appoint Professor Anne-Marie Kilday as the University's next Vice-Chancellor. The view of the members of the Search and Transition Committee was that Professor Kilday fully fulfilled the criteria in the job description and person specification.
- 04.3 Members asked for more information about the candidate's approach and style, and about the referencing process. This information was given by the members of the Search and Transition Committee.
- 04.4 The Board approved the appointment of Professor Anne-Marie Kilday as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Northampton.
- 04.5 The Board authorised the Chair to make a formal offer to the candidate, and to negotiate remuneration within the envelope previously set by the Remuneration Committee.
- 04.6 The Chair briefed the Board on the next steps in respect of the appointment, including the preparation of public communications and notice period.
- 04.7 The Chair confirmed that the Search and Transition Committee would continue to act to oversee the transition of the senior team.

05/21 Dates of Forthcoming Meetings

Risk Workshop, 23 February 10am – 1.00pm

Board of Governors, 23 February 2.00pm - 5.00pm

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Approved by Chair

23/03/2022

Date