A meeting was held on **Friday 20 November 2015**
in the Committee Room, Hoyle Building, Institute of Astronomy, Madingley Road

There were present: Professor SM Best, Professor M Blamire, Dr C Ducati, Dr M Duer, Professor AC Fabian, Professor GF Gilmore (Chair), Professor CA Haniff, Mr RAC Hay, Mrs M Howe (Secretary), Dr HRN Jones, Dr KM Knowles, Dr W Nolan, Professor MA Parker, with Ms L Friday and Ms M Dixon in attendance.

Observers: Professor P Townsend, Professor T Wilkinson

Apologies were received from: Professor C Abell, Professor JA Pyle and Dr JM Riley.

**MINUTES**

**Unreserved Business**

15701  **Minutes**
The minutes of the meeting held on 23 October 2015 were approved.

15702  **Matters arising from the minutes**

i.  **Student Elections 2015 (minute 15610i)**

   Two nominations for undergraduate representatives and one for a graduate representative had been received by the deadline. Negotiations were ongoing with a further possible candidate who had been omitted from the Electoral Roll. It was however expected there would be two undergraduate and one graduate representative from 1 January 2016.

15703  **Governance of Faculties and Departments**
The Board received, as paper FB/15703 a copy of the response forwarded to the School following the discussion at the last Faculty Board meeting about proposals to change the governance of Faculties and Departments.

15704  **Class Lists Publication Consultation**
The Board noted, the letter from the Deputy Academic Secretary (paper FB/15704) about the future of the publication of Class Lists. It was confirmed that the information would still exist even if not published.

15705  **Student Workload**
The Board noted the request for feedback about student workload and agreed it was most appropriate for Departments to respond themselves.

15706  **General Board Learning and Teaching Reviews**
It was noted that the General Board Learning and Teaching Reviews of the Departments of Physics and Materials Science and Metallurgy are due during the academic year 2017-18. While the Department of Materials Science was content with the timetable, the Department of Physics requested a postponement
of one year. The Faculty Board had no other issues to raise or special terms of reference to suggest for these reviews.

15707 **Publication of Higher Education Green Paper**
The Board received, as paper FB/15707 the notice about the publication of the Higher Education Green Paper as published in the *Reporter*.

15708 **Students' issues**
There were no student issues.

15706 **Any other business**
There was no other business.