



## FACULTY BOARD OF PHYSICS AND CHEMISTRY

A meeting was held on **Friday 23 November 2017**  
in the Committee Room, Hoyle Building, Institute of Astronomy, Madingley Road

There were present: Professor GF Gilmore (Chair), Mrs M Howe (Secretary), Dr P Barker, Dr C Ducati, Professor MJ Duer, Professor CA Haniff, Dr HP Hughes, Mr M Khan, Dr HRN Jones, Professor RG McMahon, Ms V Neufeld, with Professor P Townsend and Professor T Wilkinson (Observers).

Apologies were received from: Dr JR Batley, Professor Serena Best, Professor M Blamire, Dr W Nolan, Professor MA Parker, Professor JA Pyle, Professor JS Richer.

### MINUTES

#### Unreserved Business

- 17701     **Minutes**  
The minutes of the meeting held on 20 October 2017 were approved.
- 17702     **Matters arising from the minutes**  
i.        Student Elections 2017 (minute 17610i)  
Student elections took place on 23 November. The elected representatives for 2018 are:  
Graduate: Tomi Baikie  
Undergraduate: Meg Tong and Gilbertas Umbrasunas
- 17703     **Reported Business (item dealt with under Chairman's action)**  
i.        Nominations for a member of the Faculty Board in class (b)  
The Board noted that the Chairman had approved on behalf of the Board the nomination of Professor M Duer to continue as member in class (b). The decision of the Council about the nomination is awaited.
- 17704     **Review of matriculation requirements**  
The Board noted the proposed amendments relating to the matriculation of undergraduate students as detailed in paper FB/17704.
- 17705     **Students' issues**  
The Graduate student representative raised a number of matters:  
i.        The problem of communicating with the full range of students in the Faculty which had been particularly challenging during the election;  
ii.       A problem of funding for departmental student clubs; Ms Neufeld was directed to specific sources within the relevant department to resolve this;  
iii.      There was concern that information relating to Brexit was scarce and not always up-to-date. The Faculty was asked to encourage information to be shared widely as soon as it was made known. This was a very significant concern particularly for students;  
iv.      A social event for Board members was suggested.  
The student representatives were thanked for their very active participation during the year.
- 17606     **Any other business**  
There was no other business