

Extraordinary Academic Committee

Thursday 19th January 2023

13:00-13:45

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<u>Present Members</u> Ex-Officio	
Prof Geoff Smith (GS)	Vice-Chancellor and CEO (Chair)
Prof Niamh Downing (ND)	Provost and Deputy Vice-Chancellor
Prof Castulus Kolo (CK)	President, Macromedia University & Non-executive Board member
Prof Lawrence Phillips (LP)	Associate Provost
Prof Gill Stark (GS)	Associate Provost
Dan Lanigan (DL)	Chief Commercial Officer
Carl Teigh (CT)	Chief Financial Officer
Valérie de Saegher (VDS)	Director of HR
Pam Taylor (PT)	Head of Student Support
Stine Ostergaard Kaus (SOK)	Student Union President
Prof Maria Charalambous (MC)	Director of Learning & Teaching, Director (People)
Elected Representatives	
Amparo Lallana (AL)	Academic Representative at Director level
Elise Goodman (EG)	Representative for Professional Service
Prof Zubin Sethna (ZS)	Academic Representative - Director level
Oliver Sterland (OS)	Academic Representative – Senior Lecturer level
In attendance:	
Annie McNamara (AM)	Director of Academic Service (Interim)
Sam Grady (SG)	Director of Student Experience
Pernille Norregaard (PN)	Head of Communications
Claire Legg	Project Manager (minutes)

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Geraldine Akinboyewa and Maxinne Lydia Huybreckx.

2. Consideration of the Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF) submission

GS noted the draft submission went to VCET yesterday and will go to the Board today. It is for the committee to note and endorse – final proofing and design will be done before it is submitted. GS acknowledged the efforts, in particular, of Niamh, Sam, Annie, Mosh, Maria and others on this important piece of work.

ND summarised the key points and rationale for the approach.

CK congratulated the group on the report and noted that the student submission strengthens the institutional one. SG noted that the student submission is new this year and is optional. There is no obligation for students to share their submission with their provider. The Student Union have been supported to do their own submission whilst maintaining full independence. GS noted the student submission is not for consideration by the committee but thanked SOK and her team for their work on it. OS congratulated everyone involved and commented that the tone of the document is authentic, that it's a good summary of our efforts in the last few years that filled him with pride. AL congratulated all involved and suggested sharing the final submission with staff.

AM noted that as someone new to the organisation the journey is an impressive one and that the document seeks to capture that. MC noted the need to integrate and pull together data more systematically to better support our continuous improvement, as well as preparing the ground for future TEF submissions. SG noted the group have discussed doing an annual TEF-style report so that future submissions are easier and to ensure Regent's stays true to data-driven decision-making.

GS noted the strong endorsement from the committee, the need to design/deliver data capture more systematically and the suggestion to share the final version with staff. GS thanked the writing team for their tremendous efforts and thanked SOK for the student submission.