

Imperial College Students' Union Board of Trustees / 16 September 2020

Annual Calendar of Business

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- Purpose: This paper sets of a thematic calendar of business for the Board of Trustees (and Finance and Risk Subcommittee) for the 2020/21 academic year.
- Summary: On an annual basis in July, the Board should receive a proposed calendar for key business over the course of the year, including skeleton agendas. This gives senior staff and trustees adequate time and planning to ensure deadlines are met, as well as providing a shape for discussions over the course of the year.

1. Context

A slightly different (largely thematic) approach is suggested to the annual calendar for 2020/21, based on the following three reasons:

- i. The uncertainty posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, and the fact that challenges and risks are changing on a weekly basis.
- ii. The requirement for the organisation's governance to act quickly and with more agility than previous years.
- iii. The requirement for the new MD and wider SMT to understand current organisational issues in more detail before being able to propose more concrete solutions.
- iv. The requirement to engage more fully with key members of College's senior team.

Each meeting has therefore been given a number of 'strategic themes', with a limited number of likely papers.

Please note this is subject to change, and should be considered a dynamic document.

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Date	Meeting	Theme (s) / Key Purpose(s)	Potential Specific Items
14 Oct	F&R	To consider the schedule for the development of a range of new financial policies.	Policy Review Schedule
		To consider the schedule for the development of a range of new H&S policies.	
		To consider the schedule for the development of a range of new GDPR policies.	
		To consider the most recent management accounts and make any suggestions for further structural changes.	
28 Oct	Board	To approve the final 2020/21 budget and financial plan for the Union.	2020/21 Final Budget Reserves Policy
		To approve the timeline / terms of reference for the formal strategic review of the Union, focussed on the following major streams of work:	Strategic Review Plan
		 i. Strategy / Union Operating Model ii. Commercial Review iii. Staffing Review iv. Governance Review v. Buildings & Space Review 	
		To consider an update on the policies review schedule agreed at F&R.	
18 Nov	Board (informal)	To approve the 2019/20 Annual Report and consider action plan from the Audit Findings Report.	AFR Action Plan 2019/20 Annual Accounts & Trustees' Report

09 Dec	Board	To consider and approve the services and activities model for the Union for Term Two, considering the current and likely COVID-19 context. To consider the financial performance of the Union to date and	Term Two Services & Activities Plan Q1 Management Accounts
		agree any further changes to the budget.	
		To consider and approve a new approach to 'risk management' within the Students' Union	Risk Management Policy Strategic Risk Register Scheme of Delegation
20 Jan	Board (informal)	Informal update on the operating plan for Term Two.	
03 Feb	F&R	To approve a range of new policies relating to finance, H&S and GDPR.	
		To consider the most recent management accounts and make any suggestions for further structural changes.	Management Accounts & Financial Update
24 Feb	Board	To approve a new strategic operating model for the Union, and associated review outcomes.	2021-23 Strategic Plan
		To consider the results and approve the recommendations from a number of strategic reviews.	Commercial Review Buildings & Space Review
		To approve the budgeting principles for 2021/22.	Budgeting Principles 2021/22
17 Mar	F&R	To approve a range of new policies relating to finance, H&S and GDPR.	
		To consider the most recent management accounts and make any suggestions for further structural changes.	Management Accounts & Financial Update
		To consider the initial draft of the 2021/22 Budget	2021/22 Draft Budget

24 Mar	Board (informal)	Informal update on the successes and challenges of the second term.	
12 May	Board	To consider a revised structure to the annual planning round process.	Annual Planning Round 2021/22
		To consider the results and approve the recommendations from a number of strategic reviews.	Governance Review Staffing & Review
		To consider the annual report from the Returning Officer & Deputy Returning Officer	RO & DRO Annual Report
16 Jun	F&R	To approve a range of new policies relating to finance, H&S and GDPR.	
		To consider the most recent management accounts and make any suggestions for further structural changes.	Management Accounts & Financial Update
		To consider the expected end of year financial results.	Expected End of Year Outturn 2020/21
		To consider the annual Health & Safety Report.	2020/21 Annual H&S Report
23 Jun	Board	To consider the expected end of year financial results To approve the 2021/22 Budget.	Expected End of Year Outturn 2020/21 2021/22 Budget
		To approve the calendar of business and governance schedule for 2021/22.	2021/22 Annual Calendar of Business Appointment of RO & DRO
		To consider the results of an annual membership satisfaction survey.	Rate Your Union 2021 Initial Results
		To consider the draft text for the Trustees' Annual Report.	2020/21 Impact Report
		To approve the annual PDR and associated objectives for the Managing Director, undertaken by the Chair & President.	MD PDR and Annual Objectives

07 July	Board (informal)	To consider outgoing reflections from Officer Trustees.	OT Reflections Paper
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