

## UNIVERSITY OF LEICESTER

## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

**Report of the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting  
Held on Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> June 2016, Fielding Johnson Building**

**Present:** Ms L Wight (Vice Chair), Mr S Wright, Mr M Cullen, Mr D Flatt, Mr J Flynn, Mrs S Osborn

**In Attendance:** President and Vice-Chancellor, Professor Paul Boyle, members of the Development and Alumni Relations Office and Alumni of the University of Leicester and guests.

Apologies were received from: The Right Honourable Lord Grocott (Chair of the Alumni Association) Mr Luke Trotman (Chair of the Standing Committee), Mr Lukas Stahl, Mr Steve Swanton, Mr Alex Smith, Miss Liz Blood, Miss Rachel Holland, Miss Sylvia Ladyman, Ms Betty Coster.

16/M1 **WELCOME:** The Vice Chair (LW) welcomed members to the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting held in the University of Leicester, Fielding Johnson Building and highlighted the meeting's objectives.

16/M2 **WELCOME:** Chris Shaw (CS) thanked LW and Alumni Association members for attending. He discussed the strategic role of the Development and Alumni Relations office and how Alumni can contribute through gifts (in kind) and practical help. It was reported that Alumni have donated over £500,000 in the last 12 months. CS also confirmed the development and upcoming launch of the Alumni Ambassador Programme and VineUp portal, both of which will include enhanced opportunities to reach out and engage with International Alumni.

16/M3 **REPORT:** The Report on the 57<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting, held on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2015 was received and approved as a correct record.

16/M4 **CHAIR'S REPORT:**

The Vice-Chair reported on the following successful alumni events which had taken place in the UK and overseas since the last Annual General Meeting:

- a. New York & Toronto Alumni Events (October 2015/June 2016)
- b. Women of Influence Luncheon (November 2015)
- c. Legacy Guild Christmas Carol Concert (December 2014)
- d. Sir David Attenborough Lecture and Official Opening of New Gallery at the Attenborough Arts Centre (January 2016)
- e. Alumni Black Tie Dinner (March 2016)
- f. Centre for Medicine Alumni Preview Evening (May 2016)
- g. Legacy Guild Afternoon Tea/Benefactors Review/Leicester Weekend (June 2016)

The Vice-Chair thanked the Development and Alumni Relations Office for their support and invited alumni to stay in touch and feedback on existing and new events that they would like to support or organise.

16/M6 **VC's OVERVIEW:**

Professor Paul Boyle, President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Leicester, gave an overview of how Alumni can help the University and how they can get involved; he also explained how the University can strive to always be better through creativity. The VC spoke about the Centenary and the 'Golden Book' which will enlighten and inform the University's centenary celebrations leading up to 2021. He concluded by thanking everyone for attending the

AGM.

16/M7 **ANNUAL ACCOUNTS:** The Vice Chair presented the Association's Statement of Accounts for the year up to 31st May 2016. These were accepted by the meeting.

16/M7 **ELECTIONS:** The Vice Chair reported that for time-limited appointments, membership of the Committee expires on 30th September each year.

**Full Membership:**

Mr L Trotman, Chair	(2017)	
Mrs L Wight, Vice-Chair	(2017)	
Mr M Cullen	(2016)	
Mr J Flynn	(2016)	
Mrs S Osborn	(2016)	
Mr A Smith	(2016)	
Mr S Swanton	(2016)	
Mr D Flatt	(2017)	
Mr Lukas Stahl	(2017)	+
Mr S Wight	(2017)	
Miss E Blood	(2018)	
Miss L Davies	(2018)	

**It was Resolved: THAT**

The following members will stand down from the committee:

Mr S Swanton  
Mr A Smith

The following members wish to be re-elected to the Committee for a period of three years:

Mr M Cullen  
Mr J Flynn  
Mrs S Osborn

The following wish to be co-opted for a one year period:

Dr R Fairbrother  
Mr D Etherton

The following shall serve a further one year term as a co-opted member representing the Student's Union:

Miss R Holland

These proposals were agreed by the meeting.

16/M8 **BREAK-OUT GROUPS:**  
Members were asked to break out into groups for ten minutes to answer the following three questions:

1. What events would you like to see the Alumni Association organise, and where?
2. What can the Alumni Association do for you?

**3. What ideas do you have for how Alumni can contribute towards the University?**

The answers were recorded by the individual groups and will be analysed by the DARO office and the Standing Committee of the Alumni Association.

16/M9 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS:**

There being no further business the meeting then terminated.

(Duration of meeting 30 minutes)

**MEETING DATES 2016/17**

30 September 2016 - 10.30am

8 December 2016 - 3.00pm

16 February 2017 - 10.30am

4 May 2017 - 10.30am