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1  **Formal communications from the University Court**

The following Draft Resolutions have been received:

- **69/2017** Foundation of a Personal Chair of International Law and Global Governance
- **70/2017** Foundation of a Personal Chair of Sociology and Social Policy
- **71/2017** Alteration of the title of the Chair of Social Work
- **72/2017** Alteration of the title of the Chair of Social Work
- **73/2017** Foundation of a Chair of Tropical Agriculture and Sustainable Development
- **74/2017** Foundation of a Chair of Africa and International Development
- **75/2017** Foundation of a Personal Chair of Digital Cultural Heritage
- **76/2017** Foundation of a Personal Chair of Fire and Structures
- **77/2017** Foundation of a Personal Chair of Medicine
- **1/2018** Degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVetMed)
- **2/2018** Alteration of the title of the Chair of Languages and Classroom Education
- **3/2018** Foundation of a Chair of Biochemical Engineering

2  **Report of the Academic Standing Committee**

   for the General Council Meeting on 24 February 2018

   **Convener of the Academic Standing Committee: Professor Stephen Hillier**

The ASC works to ensure that the views and concerns of all graduates relating to educational issues are heard and effectively channelled through the Business Committee and onwards to University Court.

The ASC has met twice so far, this session. The first meeting (1 November 2017) considered priority issues affecting current students. ASC agreed three Key areas under its remit to include:

1. The Student Experience around Teaching & Learning
2. Student Wellbeing, in particular Mental Health & Counselling
3. Outreach, with a focus on the international student perspective.

Particular attention should be paid to the increasing number and proportion of international students within the University, and the need to support their integration and provide for particular concerns they may have.

The second meeting (21 November 2017) received presentations by Patrick Kilduff, EUSA President, Bobi Archer, EUSA Vice-President Education, Ollie Glick EUSA Vice-President Community and Esther Dominy EUSA Vice-President Welfare. The Sabbatical Officers thoughtfully argued that a combination of issues might be affecting student satisfaction, including not least the knock-on consequences of year-on-year increases in student numbers on accessibility to services. On the
positive side, we should be reminded that the University has risen up the league tables over the last 15 years to become a global player in the top 25.

A third meeting – to include a presentation by Director of Student Wellbeing, Mr Andy Shanks – is scheduled for 8 February 2018. Two further ASC meetings are anticipated including one with the Director of Student Recruitment and Admissions, which will focus on Student Recruitment and Outreach Policies.

Enhancing the Student Experience remains a work in progress, and the ASC will to continue to support the achievement of satisfactory outcomes for all concerned across the University.

3 Report of the Constitutional Standing Committee

for the General Council Meeting on 24 February 2018

Convener of the Constitutional Standing Committee: Professor David Munro

The Constitutional Standing Committee has continued to keep a watching brief on the implications for the University of Edinburgh of the United Kingdom leaving the European Union which had been the subject of a review initiated during the 2016-17 session. In September 2017 the committee was pleased to note from Court Minutes that “Applications from the EU have also performed relatively strongly with EU unconditional firm offer holders up by around 10% on last year.” The committee endeavours to keep abreast of this developing situation and in this context makes use of The University and Europe news website (http://www.ed.ac.uk/news/eu) which contains updates on the latest statements and discussions on the subject as well as advice and support for staff and students.

The committee, having also kept a watching brief on the formal review of the Scottish Code for Good Higher Education Governance in 2016-17 and, having submitted comments during the consultation period, received in November 2017 a finalised copy of the 2017 Code and a copy of the summary and recommendations of the steering group for the review.

The Constitutional Standing Committee has this session reviewed and commented upon the proposed new appointment process for General Council Assessors as a result of the changes and new requirements arising from the passing of the Higher Education Governance (Scotland) Act in 2016. A paper prepared by the Court Services Office in conjunction with the General Council Secretary was circulated for discussion and Dr Lewis Allan, Head of Court Services, was invited to attend a committee meeting in January 2018 to give a presentation on the subject. This, and future consultation with the University Court following the preparation of new Ordinances concerning both Court and the General Council positions will form the basis of new General Council constitutional arrangements to be approved by the General Council membership in due course.

4 Report of the Finance and Services Standing Committee

for the General Council Meeting on 24 February 2018

Convener of the Finance and Services Standing Committee: Sir Philip Mawer

The Committee’s last meeting of the 2016-17 academic session fell just after the deadline for reporting to the June meeting of the General Council. The Committee ended its programme of activities for the year – which had focussed on exploring some of the development themes in the University’s 2016 Strategic Plan – by hearing from Dr George Baxter, CEO of Edinburgh Research and Innovation Limited (ERI) about plans for enhancing the University’s engagement with industry.
ERI Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of the University, is the primary interface between industry (private and public sector) and the University’s world class academic research base. ERI has an impressive record in creating new companies, developing new partnerships and bringing in royalties and research funding to the University. Its activities are a vital part of diversifying the University’s income stream as well as enabling the wider economic and other benefits of successful research to be realised. However, Edinburgh’s income from industry does not accurately reflect the strength of its research base. There is therefore considerable potential to be exploited. The City Deal for Edinburgh is just one way in which this opportunity might be grasped, by helping to exploit the University’s research advantage in informatics and stimulating data driven innovation.

Dr Baxter’s enthusiasm and wide experience was reflected in the Committee’s discussion, which revealed an exciting opportunity for the University further to develop its world class credentials. Following the start of the 2017-18 session, the Committee met on 15 November to discuss how it could best support exploration of the themes and priorities for the session identified by the Business Committee. The Committee resolved that, in addition to its annual meeting with the Director of Finance, its programme of work should include examining the provision of housing for students and the University’s engagement with the wider community in Edinburgh. Meetings to enable it to address these issues are being arranged.

The Committee’s meeting with Mr Phil McNaull, the University’s Director of Finance, took place on 24 January 2018. Discussion was based, as usual, on the University’s latest Annual Report and Accounts. The Report records that 2016-17 was a very successful year for the University. Among the highlights, the University’s income from research grants and contracts grew by 10% year-on-year; the annual total return on endowment funds was over 16%; and the University awarded £9.7 million through its three main UK undergraduate bursary schemes. The University’s expenditure on its extensive programme of capital improvements continues apace. This includes expenditure of some £200 million over the next ten years on schemes designed to improve the experience of students at the University.

The Committee’s discussion ranged widely over topics including the University’s performance against its strategic objectives; the adequacy (or rather inadequacy) of the Scottish Government’s funding of the tuition of Scottish undergraduates; the adequacy of the University’s cash reserves; the financial implications of Brexit (still unclear); the benefit the University will derive from Edinburgh’s City Deal; the advantages of ‘integrated reporting’; and the shortage of residential accommodation for students. The Committee will examine this last issue in greater depth at its next meeting.

5 Report of the Public Affairs Standing Committee

for the General Council Meeting on 24 February 2018

Convener of the Public Affairs Standing Committee: Ms Sophie Marshall

Having recently taken over the convenorship of the Public Affairs Standing Committee (PASC), now seems to be a timely moment to reflect upon its role within the broader structure of the overall Business Committee. PASC’s remit includes publicising the Business Committee, arranging all of the Business Committee’s own events and maintaining oversight of issues that may either positively or negatively impact on the reputation of the University.

The key areas that PASC are examining this academic year are: accessibility, communications with our broader membership, transport and looking holistically at the integration of the student
community. The latter is a theme that is spanning across all of the standing committees due to its significance and wide reach.

In our most recent meeting on 23rd January, Professor Jane Norman, Vice-Principal People and Culture, presented the Disability Review. This included a number of key findings and recommendations pertaining to both the implementation of adjustments and the accessibility of the estate. PASC was heartened to hear of some of the positive changes that had already taken place but the Committee agreed that due to the scale and ongoing nature of many of the changes that it would be competent for this to remain on our agenda moving forward.

As this session continues we are going to continue working with Development and Alumni so that the diverse graduate body remains aware of our role and work with the University. The seven nominations received for the February elections, many of whom have never served on the Business Committee previously, are a testament to the communications that have taken place to date.

Transport has been an ongoing topic on the Business Committee’s agenda but following a number of representations that there are still problems regarding inter-campus transport links, it has been decided that we will continue to review this area.

It has been a busy year for PASC in relation to our events so far and there is much to look forward to, including our Half Yearly meeting which is due to take place on Saturday 24th February in the newly refurbished McEwan Hall, with guest speaker JJ Chalmers, TV presenter and Invictus Games medallist giving the after-lunch address. We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

Finally, I would like to thank the Principal, Sir Timothy O’Shea, for his continued service and commitment to the University of Edinburgh, and for his support in the work of the General Council and we look forward to working with the new Principal in the months and years to come.

6 Meetings of the Business Committee

The Committee has met four times since its last Report was published, viz. 13 July 2017, 12 October 2017, 7 December 2017 and 15 February 2018.

7 Deaths of Members of the General Council

The deaths of the following members of the General Council have been reported during the year from January 2017 to January 2018. Names have been listed by year of first graduation from the University of Edinburgh.

Chan, Chi To, MBChB of 1932, died 2007

Macphee, Beatrice Anne, (née Seddon), MA of 1936, BCom of 1938, died 03/06/2010

Cockburn, Evelyn Marguerite, (née Mathieson), BCom of 1940, died 2017

Davidson, Yolande Eda, MA of 1940, died 24/07/2015

Douglas, Marjory Stuart Crawford, MA of 1940, died 2017
Hamilton, Richard, MA of 1941, died 2017

Brown, Irene Jessie, (née Young), MA of 1942, died 07/06/2017
Williams, George Harold Digby, BSc of 1942, died 19/01/2016

Cameron, John Alexander, BSc of 1943, died 2015
Houston, Ethel May, MA of 1943, LLB of 1947, died 2017
Hume, James Bell, MA of 1943, MA of 1947, died 08/07/2017
Young, Robert Douglas, MBChB of 1943, MD of 1958, died 2017
Cassels, John William Scott, MA of 1943, Hon DSc of 1977, died 27/07/2015

Corfan, Elinor (née Ginsburg), MBChB of 1944, died 2017
Paterson, Patricia Edmond, (née Ferguson), BL of 1944, died 2017
Patterson, Anne Muriel, (née Pretsell), BSc of 1944, died 23/12/2015
Smith, Leslie Scott, MA of 1944, died 2017
Stokoe, Agnes Wallace Campbell, (née Storrar), MBChB of 1944, died 2017
Sutherland, Leslie James, BSc of 1944, died 2017
Westwood, Douglas Andrew, MA of 1944, MBChB of 1951, died 2017
Conacher, Duncan Gordon, MBChB of 1944, DTMandH of 1952, died 2016
Campbell, John Angus, MBChB of 1944, ChM of 1967, died 2017

Barton, William Leftwich, MBChB of 1945, died 2015
Lugton, Jessie Helen, (née Ingram), MBChB of 1945, died 2016
Mowatt, Keith Stronach, MBChB of 1945, died 14/11/2012
Shaban, Bessie Gray, (née Thomson), MA of 1945, died 01/03/2017
Stokoe, Norman Leslie, MBChB of 1945, died 2017
Abbatt, John Dilworth, MBChB of 1945, DMRT of 1950, died 2017

Burton, James, MBChB of 1946, died 2017
Campbell, James Robert Duncan, BL of 1946, died 2017
Gill, James Murray, MBChB of 1946, died 29/10/2015
Rawson, Frank Lionel, MBChB of 1946, died 12/01/2017
Thomson, Irene Mary Deans, MA of 1946, died 2017
Ferguson, Mr Ronald, BSc of 1946, died 2018

Berryman, Douglas Allen, MA of 1947, died 05/09/2016
Brydon, Robert Morris, MA of 1947, died 22/04/2016
Helmore, Roy Lionel, BSc of 1947, died 2017
Hordern, Anthony, MBChB of 1947, died 2016
Jones, Herbert Arnold, MBChB of 1947, died 2017
Littlejohn, Patrick Millar, MBChB of 1947, died 2017
Rankin, Andrew, BL of 1947, died 2017
Watson, Leila Margaret, (née Wojtczak), MBChB of 1947, died 24/02/2016
Hunter, Margaret Finnie, (née Walker), MA of 1947, Dip Ed of 1948, died 2017
Smart, Margaret (née Kennedy), BSc of 1947, MBChB of 1949, died 2017
Parish, James Gordon, MBChB of 1947, MD of 1957, died 2017

Dey, James Gentles, MA of 1948, died 2017
Burton, Oswald James, MBChB of 1951, died 2017
Cachia, Pierre Jacques Elie, PhD of 1951, died 01/04/2017
Campbell, Thomas Boyd Stirling, MA of 1951, died 03/01/2017
Cochran, Frank Robert, BSc of 1951, died 2016
Henderson, William Gebbie, MA of 1951, died 29 March 2017

Campbell, Colin Gibson, BSc of 1950, died 2017
Cantley, Ann Petrie, MA of 1950, died 24/03/2017
Capes, Audrey Mary, MA of 1950, died 03/03/2016
Cromarty, Elizabeth Rae, MA of 1950, died 29/08/2017
Dey, Joan Campbell, (née Kellas), MA of 1950, died 2017
Gittins, John Maelor, BSc of 1950, died 2017
Laing, Alexander William, MBChB of 1950, died 2017
Macleod, John Fraser, MA of 1950, died 2017
Troup, James Alexander, MA of 1950, died 19/05/2017
Turton, John Duxbury, BSc of 1950, died 01/01/2017
Winn, Pauline Imogen Margaret, MBChB of 1950, died 18/03/2017
Macgregor, James Nicoll, MA of 1950, Dip of 1951, died 2017
McCluskey, John Herbert, MA of 1950, LLB of 1952, died 2017
Kedourie, Sylvia Gougi Patronymic,(née Haim), MA of 1950, PhD of 1953, died 2017
Glover, Timothy Dawson, BSc of 1950, DSc of 1975, died 2017
Kirk, Sheila Sophia, (née Burnett), MA of 1951, died 2017
McKelvie, Alexander Drysdale, BSc of 1951, died 2017
Reekie, Alexander Euan Mackay, MBChB of 1951, died 2017
Scott, Mary Caflyn Wright, (née Paterson), MBChB of 1951, died 2017
Sim, David Robert, MBChB of 1951, died 2017
Skilling, Lawrence, BSc of 1951, died 2017
Smart, Iain Hugh Murray, MBChB of 1951, died 2017
Talbot-Rice, Elizabeth Rousoudana, MA of 1951, died 2017
Walter, Peter Jeffrey, MA of 1951, died 2017

Aitchison, George Douglas, BSc of 1952, died 23/03/2017
Doig, Andrew, MBChB of 1952, died 2017
Everett, Robert Anthony, BSc of 1952, died 2017
Haultain, David Lindsay Nicol, MBChB of 1952, died 2017
Holliday, Peter John George, BSc of 1952, died 02/04/2017
Hood, Alexander Keith, BMus of 1952, died 2017
Hunter, John Alexander, BSc of 1952, died 22/11/2016
Innes, Ian Richard Ross, MA of 1952, died 2017
Ireland, Ronald David, LLB of 1952, died 2017
Jack, Percival John Henry, MA of 1952, died 11/10/2017
McArule, Thomas Wynne, BCom of 1952, died 2017
McLardy, Donald Gordon, MA of 1952, died 2017
Merriman, James Lyall, MA of 1952, died 06/05/2017
Wilson, James, MBChB of 1952, died 2017
Kirkwood, Ian Candlish, MA of 1952, LLB of 1954, died 2017
Weatherhead, James Leslie, MA of 1952, LLB of 1954, died 2017
Slater, Basil Crandles Smith, MBChB of 1952, MD of 1964, died 2017

Herbert, Raymond Breckon, BSc of 1953, died 2017
Hiddleston, Vera Irene, MA of 1953, died 2017
Johnstone, Alexander Henry, BSc of 1953, died 01/12/2017
McClelland, Joseph Cumming, PhD of 1953, died 20/12/2016
Reid, John Oliver, BSc of 1953, died 2017
Sharp, Nigel Ernest, MA of 1953, died 26/04/2017
Stevenson, William Handforth, MA of 1953, died 06/05/2015
Williamson, Dorothy, MA of 1953, died 08/07/2017
Munro, Ian Alastair, BSc of 1953, BSc of 1954, died 26/10/2016
Wilson, Mary Helen Morton, (née Paton), MA of 1953, Dip Ed of 1954, died 2017
Mackenzie, Donald James, BSc of 1953, PhD of 1956, died 2015
Mends, David Robert Bowen, MBChB of 1953, MSc of 1980, died 28/02/2017

Ashley, Margaret Geraldine, (née Gallagher), BDS of 1954, died 2016
Begg, James Grant, MBChB of 1954, died 2017
Blackadder, David Andrew, BSc of 1954, died 08/02/2017
Calder, William, BSc of 1954, died 2016
Cumming, David Patrick Low, MA of 1954, died 03/04/2016
Drummond, James Whiteford, BSc of 1954, died 10/10/2016
Kille, Ronald Arthur, PhD of 1954, died 2017
Rabie, William Hooper, MBChB of 1954, died 2017
Reed, Margaret Alison, (née Crump), BSc of 1954, died 2017
Shouksmith, George Albert, MA of 1954, died 2017
Sime, James Thomson, MA of 1954, died 2017
Smith, Alexander Graham Cairns, BSc of 1954, died 2017
Taylor, John Thomas, MA of 1954, died 2017
Kirk, William Logan, MA of 1954, BD of 1957, died 2017
MacRae, Andrew Donald, MA of 1954, BD of 1957, died 04/04/2017
McDonald, Sheila, MBChB of 1954, MD of 1966, died 03/02/2017

Allen, Elizabeth Aileen, (née Taylor), MBChB of 1955, died 2017
Buchanan, Archibald, MA of 1955, died 2016
Hutcheson, James Forbes, BSc of 1955, died 2017
Kremer, Thomas Shlomo, MA of 1955, died 24/06/2017
Lamont, Murdoch, MA of 1955, died 2017
Meikle, William, BCom of 1955, MA of died 03/11/2016
Munro, Anne Lyle, (née Campbell), MBChB of 1955, died 2017
Murray, Margaret Ann Mackenzie,(née Scott), MA of 1955, died 2017
Newton, Roger, MA of 1955, died 20/12/2016
Rowe, John Michael, MA of 1955, died 2017
Forsyth, James, MA of 1955, MA of 1957, died 2016
Marr, James Douglas Mclean, BSc of 1955, MSc of 1957, died 2016
Roy, Alan John, BSc of 1955, BD of 1959, died 2017
Pottinger, James Irvine, MA of 1955, PhD of 1969, died 2017

Fowler, Elizabeth (née Burley), MA of 1956, died 2017
Hope, Alexander Melville, MA of 1956, died 18/07/2014
Kashap, Surajnayan Paul Gurdoyal, MA of 1956, died 03/12/2015
Leslie, Alistair Edward, BL of 1956, died 2015
Menzies, Duncan, BSc of 1956, died 01/01/2017
Phillips, Robert Sneddon, MBChB of 1956, died 2017
Pringle, Derek, BSc of 1956, died 2017
Roy, Roma Mary Hutchison, (née Finlayson), BSc of 1956, died 2017
Sheard, Elizabeth Mary Howell, (née Jones), MA of 1956, died 20/03/2017
Solomon, George Roeland, BDS of 1956, died 2017
Roberts, Robert Caradog, PhD of 1956, DSc of 1985, died 2017
Tyson, Kenneth Willoughby, BDS of 1956, DDS of 1993, died 2017

Allan, Leslie Stalker, BCom of 1957, MA of died 2017
Bone, John Alexander, BD of 1957, died 21/12/2016
Buchanan, Elizabeth Margaret, (née Swanson), MBChB of 1957, died 2017
Carr, James Michael Butterfield, MBChB of 1957, died 26/08/2017
Curtis, Adam Sebastian Genevieve, PhD of 1957, died 2017
Glaister, Joseph Tertius Drysdale, BSc of 1957, died 2017
Hay, Alastair Cochrane, MA of 1957, died 2017
Lamb, Ruth (née Hodkin), MA of 1957, died 26/11/2016
Mclean, Alexander, BVMS of 1957, died 11/05/2017
McMartin, Duncan Alexander, BVMS of 1957, died 2017
Murray, Ian Henry Lyall, MBChB of 1957, died 13/04/2016
Phellas, Paul, MBChB of 1957, died 26/09/2017
Walker, Helen Margaret, MA of 1957, died 10/01/2017
White, James Alexander, BSc of 1957, died 2010
Wood, Hazel Brydon, MA of 1957, died 24/07/2016

Aston, Patricia Jean, MA of 1958, died 19/02/2017
Boersma, Roelof, MBChB of 1958, died 2017
Grigor, John Alasdair, BVMS of 1958, died 2013
John, Alison Ruth Fraser, MA of 1958, died 2017
Leadbetter, William, MBChB of 1958, died 2012
Mcdonnell, Harry, MBChB of 1958, died 2017
Reid, David James Glover, BSc of 1958, died 2017

Alexander, Alan Crawford Adam, MBChB of 1959, died 2017
Grimm, Anne Felicity, (née Clarke), MA of 1959, died 08/08/2017
Rebbeck, Patricia Mary, MBChB of 1959, died 28/09/2017
Steward, Ronald Edgar, MBChB of 1959, died 09/04/2017
Terpstra, Chester, PhD of 1959, died 12/04/2017
Wilson, Robert Gordon, BL of 1959, died 21/06/2017
Morrison, Hugh Macgregor, BSc of 1959, PhD of 1965, died 2017

Coulisfield, John Taylor Cameron, LLB of 1960, died 2016
Macleod, Sheila Margaret Baillie, (née Donald), MBChB of 1960, died 26/12/2016
Main, James Williamson Henderson, BSc of 1960, died 01/07/2015
McCann, Robert Johnston, MA of 1960, died 2017
Munro, Michael Hugh, BDS of 1960, died 2017
Mustard, Muriel Vera, MA of 1960, died 07/10/2017
Scott, Agnes Jean, (née Dutton), BCom of 1960, died 2017
Wilkinson, Harold Waddell, MA of 1960, died 27/02/2017
Old, David Cossar, BSc of 1960, PhD of 1963, died 08/02/2017
Hall, John Innes, MBChB of 1960, PhD of 1964, died 06/04/2017
Wilson, John Brodie, BSc of 1960, PhD of 1965, died 2017

Coulthwaite, John Richard, BVMS of 1961, died 2017
Grierson, Stanley William, MA of 1961, died 08/12/2016
Inglis, Moyra Anne, (née McKenzie), MA of 1961, died 2017
Kerr, George Douglas, MBChB of 1961, died 2017
Lawson, Robert Alexander Murdoch, MBChB of 1961, died 10/01/2017
Macdonald, Neil James, MBChB of 1961, died 03/12/2016
Major, Harrison Elbert, MA of 1961, died 05/10/2017
Prain, Rosalind May, (née Langdon), BSc of 1961, died 2017
Park, A. Wallace, BDS of 1961, MSc of 1964, died 2015
Schermbrucker, Christopher Geard, BVMS of 1961, DTVM of 1966, died 2017

Cathcart, Hugh Alexander Adair, BVMS of 1962, died 01/01/2017
Frame, Alexander, MBChB of 1962, died 2017
Gibb, Peter Walker, MBChB of 1962, died 25/09/2017
Klepma, William John, PhD of 1962, died 2017
Macbeath, John Thomson, MBChB of 1962, died 2017
Mendoza, Joseph Jacques Clement, BDS of 1962, died 01/01/2017
Robbie, Elizabeth Ann, (née Sinclair), MA of 1962, died 2016
Robert, Ann Morison, (née Slora), BDS of 1962, died 2017
Shivas, Roger Evan, BSc of 1962, died 2015
Stewart, Jennifer (née Russell), MA of 1962, died 11/01/2017
Tooke, Joan Doreen, PhD of 1962, died 01/02/2009
Whiteley, Margaret Ethel, MA of 1962, died 09/07/2016

Bruce-Dick, Timothy Martin, (née Dick), MA of 1963, died 01/01/2017
Haynes, Richard Christopher, MBChB of 1963, died 2017
Kennelly, Brian Michael, PhD of 1963, died 2016
Klemm, Keith, MA of 1963, died 01/01/2017
McCaughhey, Terence Patrick, BD of 1963, died 09/02/2017
McLaren, Margaret McIntyre, (née Sangster), BSc of 1963, died 2017
White, John Neville, MA of 1963, died 2017
Wright, Barry Forsyth, BSc of 1963, MA of 1964, died 2017
Carlyle, John Jardine, BSc of 1963, PhD of 1966, died 2017

Coward, Beate Edith Elisabeth, (née Schlemo), MA of 1964, died 2017
Locke, Donald Cuthbert, MA of 1964, died 06/12/2010
Mackay, Ronald John, BCom of 1964, died 2017
Thin, Ian Mclean, BVMS of 1964, died 2017
Craig, James Leith Johnstone, LLB of 1964, MA of 1966, died 2013
Laing, Stuart Bruce, BSc of 1964, PhD of 1967, died 04/06/2017
Russell, Eric Robert Renton, BSc of 1964, PhD of 1967, died 01/01/2017
Strang, George Logan, BSc of 1964, Dip of 1971, died 25/03/2017

Christie, Robin Henry, BSc of 1965, died 01/01/2017
Fisher, Frederick Marshall, MA of 1965, died 2017
Gibson, James Alexander, LLB of 1965, died 2016
Livingstone-Learnmonth, Lestock Harold George, BSc of 1965, died 01/01/2017
Morris, Roselyn Joan, (née Beitowitz), MA of 1965, died 2017
Petrie, Marion Thomson, (née Alexander), MA of 1965, died 2015
Wardrop, Peter Stewart, MA of 1965, died 2017
Watson, Malcolm John, BSc of 1965, died 03/12/2016
Mcqueen, Judith Katherine, (née Park), BSc of 1965, PhD of 1968, died 01/12/2016

Bywater, Richard Lloyd, MA of 1966, died 2017
Crooks, Shaun Templeton, MA of 1966, died 2016
Greig, Kenneth Bayne, BSc of 1966, died 2017
Kirkpatrick, Ian, BSc of 1966, died 2017
McAinsh, James, BSc of 1966, died 2017
Peeke, Alan Walter, BSc of 1966, died 2017
Redpath, Victoria Joy, (née Bearn), MA of 1966, died 2017
Wright, Peter Lee, PhD of 1966, died 06/04/2015
Davies, Cyril Thomas Mervyn, PhD of 1966, DSc of 1982, died 30/04/2017

Ballantine, Graeme Ewen, MA of 1967, died 05/01/2017
Broadbent, William Babbington, MBChB of 1967, died 2017
Butt, Andrew Jonathan Morton, MBChB of 1967, died 2017
Clark, Colin Kennedy, BDS of 1967, died 01/01/2017
Cookson, Anna Gillian Isobel, (née Bach), MBChB of 1967, died 2017
Davies, Lyndall David James, BDS of 1967, died 2017
Kangaloo, Arnim Ronald, BDS of 1967, died 2017
McKinlay, David Aitchison, MA of 1967, died 01/01/2017
Spence, Harvey (née Sinclair), MA of 1967, died 01/01/2017
Stokes, Anthony Charles, BVMS of 1967, died 01/01/2017
Woolridge, James Bancroft, MBChB of 1967, died 2017
Burt, Joan Pauline, (née Braga), BSc of 1967, MBChB of 1970, died 01/01/2017

Alexander, Freda Elizabeth, PhD of 1968, died 2017
Irvine, Maxwell Stewart, MBChB of 1968, died 30/04/2017
Jack, Ronald Dyce Sadler, PhD of 1968, died 01/01/2017
Mair, Sheila Margot, (née Brydon), LLB of 1968, died 2017
Notman, Marion Newlands, LLB of 1968, died 2017
Phimister, John Laidlaw, BDS of 1968, died 2017
Plascott, Beryl Jean, BSc of 1968, died 28/05/2017
Shaw, James Patrick, BDS of 1968, died 2017
Smithson, Norma Ann Messervy, BSc of 1968, died 2017
Wilson, Peter Michael, BVMS of 1968, died 07/10/2017
Fiddes, William Frederick Gordon, BSc of 1968, MBChB of 1971, died 2017
Freeman, Christopher Paul Lindsay, BSc of 1968, MBChB of 1971, died 2017
McIntyre, James Alastair, BVMS of 1968, DIP of 1971, died 2017

Brown, William John, BSc of 1969, died 01/01/2017
Carabine, Yvonne Elizabeth, MA of 1969, died 30/07/2017
Carroll, Francis Edward John, MA of 1969, died 2017
Crichton, John Roland, BSc of 1969, died 2017
Jackson, Pamela Anne Mary, MA of 1969, died 2017
Macdonald, Stuart Beamish, LLB of 1969, died 2017
Robarts, Robert Martin, BVMS of 1969, died 2017
Rose, John Martin, MA of 1969, died 2017
Scagell, David Martin, LLB of 1969, died 28/02/2017
Stark, Alex Hamilton, BSc of 1969, died 03/02/2017
Colquhoun, Margaret (née Kelsey), BSc of 1969, PhD of 1978, died 2017

Cassidy, William Francis, BSc of 1970, died 01/01/2017
Crombie, Thomas Kinloch, MA of 1970, died 17/08/2017
Cunningham, Constance Maureen, MA of 1970, died 2017
Fenton, Michael Ian, MA of 1970, died 2017
Guild, Irene (née Macgillivray), LLB of 1970, died 2017
Irvine, Andrew John, BSc of 1970, died 01/01/2017
Nelson, David James, BSc of 1970, died 2017
Thomson, Michael David, BMus of 1970, died 01/01/2017
Tilsley, Anna Haswell, (née McDowall), MA of 1970, died 04/07/2017
White, Frances Haswell, (née Gill), MA of 1970, died 2017
Oswald, John, BSc of 1970, PhD of 1973, died 2017

Bailey, Peter, MBChB of 1971, died 2017
Goff, Joseph Chalmers, MA of 1971, died 2017
Kelsey, John Frederick George, BVMS of 1971, died 16/11/2016
Mckenzie, Ronald Walker, LLB of 1971, died 01/01/2017
McVay, Margaret, MA of 1971, died 01/01/2017
Rediehs, Robert Ernest, PhD of 1971, died 15/08/2017
Wedderspoon, William Adam, BSc of 1971, died 2017
Davidson Kelly, Thomas Alexander, MA of 1971, BD of 1974, died 2017

Clarke, Jane (née Amure), BVMS of 1972, MSc of 1975, died 2017
Clayre, Iain Findlay Charles Stuart, PhD of 1973, died 2017
Cousins, Michael Charles, MBChB of 1973, died 2017
Ferguson, Hamish Lindsay, MA of 1973, died 2015
Hancock, Kathleen (née Nunn), BSc of 1973, died 20/03/2017
Kelly, Isobel Jean Mollins, BD of 1973, died 2017
Mcintosh, Stuart Christopher, MA of 1973, died 2017
McMichael, Robert Neil, MA of 1973, died 14/06/2017
Morris, Christopher Anthony, PhD of 1973, died 05/03/2016
Shaw, Alexander, BSc of 1973, died 2017
Hay, William John, BSc of 1973, PhD of 1979, died 2017
Taylor, Ronald George Gavin, MA of 1973, died September 2017

Cormack, Hugh Mackay, BEd of 1974, died 2017
Crofts, Percy Francis, PhD of 1974, died 18/09/2017
Heatlie, John Adam Wilson, MA of 1974, died 22/06/2017
Singleton, Carey Bryan, PhD of 1974, died 20/06/2017
Thomson, Gary George John, BSc of 1974, MBChB of 1977, died 01/01/2017
Palmer, Eric Frank, BSc of 1974, Dip of 1982, died 10/01/2017

Ghosh, Tapan Kumar, PGD of 1975, died 01/01/2017
Gundara, Jagdish Singh, PhD of 1975, died 2016
Mackintosh, Elizabeth Jane, BSc of 1975, died 19/07/2017
Wallace, Agnes (née Johnston), BA of 1975, died 2017
Webster, Fergus Allan Hill, BSc of 1975, died 01/01/2017
Downie, Gordon Williams, BSc of 1975, MBChB of 1978, died 2017

Bryden, William Anderson, BD of 1976, died 2017
Mendum, John Richard, PhD of 1976, died 2017
Murdoch, Kirkland Baird, LLB of 1976, died 13/03/2017
Rebello, Peter Francis, PhD of 1976, died 01/01/2017
Wiseman, Stuart Robert George, BDS of 1976, died 01/01/2017
Sellers, Piers John, BSc of 1976, Hon DSc of 2004, died 2017

Coggins, Christopher Richard Emerson, PhD of 1977, died 01/01/2017
Kerr, Margaret Nora, BEd of 1977, died 2017
Marks, Robert Cornelius, MBChB of 1977, died 01/01/2017

Arouh, Avraam-Albert, PhD of 1978, died 01/01/2017
Davidson, Iain Anderson, LLB of 1978, died 2017
Russell, Martin Buchanan, BA of 1978, LLB of 1980, died 17/08/2016
Wilson, Robert, MA of 1978, MBA of 1988, died 01/01/2017

Askew, Vikki Anne Judith, (née Howard), MA of 1979, died 2016
Wilson, Marian Laidler, MA of 1979, PhD of 1990, died 2017

Drummond, Angela Jean, (née Oxley), BSc of 1980, EDD of 2011, died 2017

Asher, Kenneth George, BSc of 1981, died 01/01/2017
Parker, Brian Hugh, MA of 1981, died 01/01/2017
Peters, Jeffrey Calman, BSc of 1981, died 2017

Dickson, Flora Macgillivray, BSc of 1982, died 13/04/2017
Hendrie, John, MEd of 1982, died 01/01/2017
Mackenzie, Stephen Forbes, BDS of 1982, died 2017
Tott, Nicholas Peter, LLB of 1982, died 2017
Choi, Wee Kiong, BSc of 1982, PhD of 1986, died 2017

Da Silva, Patrocinio Mariano, MSc of 1983, died 04/08/2016
Garner, Ian, PhD of 1983, died 2017
Ince, David Martyn, PhD of 1983, died 2017
McLachlan, Roy, BSc of 1983, died 01/01/2017

Dilly, Alison Audrey, BD of 1984, died 01/01/2017
Macgregor, Andrew Stuart, MA of 1984, died 01/01/2017
McNair, Anthony, BSc of 1984, died 2017
Nwulu, Bernard Nchewa, MPHIL of 1984, died 2017

Carroll, David John, PhD of 1985, died 10/06/2017
Shimmield, Graham Barry, PhD of 1985, died 24/12/2016

Ferguson, David Munro, LLB of 1986, Dip of 1987, died 2017

Bergqvist, Juliet Ann Mary, BSc of 1987, died 2017
Blake, Stephen George, BSc of 1987, died 08/08/2016
Oberlander, Jon Reid, PhD of 1987, died 20/12/2017
Philp, Andrew Robert, MA of 1987, died 2017

Mathewson, James Lee, BMus of 1988, died 05/09/2017
Mason, John Kenyon French, LLD of 1988, Hon LLD of 2005, died 2017

France, John Andrew, MA of 1990, died 2017
Mcnaughton, David Scott, MA of 1990, died 2017
Lancastle, Ian, BD of 1990, BA of 1996, died 01/01/2017

Moser, Claus, Unknown of 1991, died 01/09/2015
Payne, Geoffrey, PhD of 1991, died 2016

Grant, Eleanor Hay, MA of 1992, died 2017
Millar, Noel Stewart, MEd of 1992, died 2017
Potts, Wendy Ann, MBChB of 1992, died 2017
Saunders, Robert William, MBA of 1992, died 2017
Scott, Laura Kirsten, (née Maciver), BSc of 1992, died 01/01/2017

Northcott, Joy, MSc of 1993, died 25/01/2017
Walton Masters, Romilly, MA of 1993, died 01/01/2017

Atkinson, Anthony Barnes, Hon DSocSc of 1994, died 2017
Dalyell, Tam, Hon DSc of 1994, died 26/01/2017
Mcnaught, Mark Anderson, MA of 1994, died 01/01/2017
Methven, Ian Skene, MA of 1994, died 2017
Picton Phillipps, Christina Joan Veronica, MA of 1994, PhD of 2002, died 15/05/2016
Brown, Keith Hennessey, MA of 1994, MSc of 2005, died 12/12/2016

Henig, Gordon, BD of 1995, died 2017
Munro, Moira Macdonald, MBA of 1996, died 2017
Van Moeffaert, Nathalie, MSc of 1996, died 08/08/2017

Devine, Michael Philip, BSc of 1997, died 2017
Gormley, Andrew, BSC(H) of 1997, died 2017
Rodger, Tracey Ann, BVMS of 1997, died 2017

Brady, Thomas John, LLM of 2000, died 31/12/2015

Acheson, Ruth, PhD of 2002, died 2016
Menne, William, MBA of 2002, died 2017
Kelly, Ann, MA(H) of 2005, MTh of 2008, died 2017

Aikman, Gordon Lewis, MA of 2007, NGU of 2008, died 03/02/2017
Singhota, Jasjot Kaur, BMEDSCI(H) of 2007, MBChB of 2010, died 2017

Burnett, Anna Caroline, BA(H) of 2008, PGDE of 2015, died 2017

Lockhart, Sheona, BA of 2010, died 2011
Piaazzi, Alexia, BSC(H) of 2010, died 04/10/2015
Torres Slimming, Andrea Cecilia, MSC of 2010, died 01/01/2017

Brown, Sarah Joanna, BVMS of 2011, died 2017

Al-Harbie, Adel (née Al-Harbi), PHD of 2012, died 01/01/2017
Maitland, Frederick James, MA(H) of 2012, died 29/12/2017

Hewitt, Mark Adam Edward, BED(H) of 2013, died 2017
Kennedy, Lindsay Scott, MBCHB of 2013, died 01/01/2017
Salter, Frazer, BA(H) of 2013, MFA of 2016, died 01/12/2016
Holman, Robert, Hon DSocSc of 2014, died 2017

De castro, Luke Anthony, MSC of 2015, died 2017

Lonsdale-Smith, Tamsyn (née Lonsdale), MA(H) of 2016, died 2017

Duncan, Julia, MA(H) of 2017, died 2017

Papers from the General Council Meeting on 10 June 2017

A Presentation of the Report of the Business Committee
at the General Council Meeting on 10 June 2017
Convener of the Business Committee: Professor Stuart Macpherson

Chairman: Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen and welcome to this statutory Half-Yearly Meeting of the General Council of the University of Edinburgh. Good to see such a large turn-out. I don’t know if that arises as a particular interest in the work of the General Council or a fascination with the afternoon’s programme, or simply to escape from the fallout of the general election, but for whatever reason you’re here, you are most welcome. I invite the Chaplain to the University, Rev Dr Harriet Harris, to open the proceedings with a moment of reflection.

Chaplain: Thank you very much. So this an opportunity for us to reflect as we gather this afternoon, on our common purpose together and an invitation to join in prayer for those who’d like to do so.

We give thanks for the opportunity to meet together in this place, and for these new buildings that serve the medical school and the people of Scotland and the University so well. We give thanks for the research and the healing work conducted here and across the University and for its power to address many of the growing needs around the world. We ask today for an understanding of the part we each play and for diligence, cheerfulness, good courage and a quiet mind as we undertake our responsibilities to serve and further the University’s good works in the world. Amen

Chairman: Ladies and gentlemen I am relying on the natural acoustics of this room which I think are favourable, but if anyone can’t hear me please give an indication. Can I remind you that the Agenda for this afternoon’s short meeting follows a tried and tested route as contained in Billet, copies of which have been circulated. The meeting has been digitally recorded. The other thing I have to say is that the Register of those attending is being circulated and can I ask you to sign the register. If it fails to reach you can you please make Alison MacLeary aware so that she can record your attendance.
The first item on the Agenda is to seek approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 18th February this year. I invite approval of those minutes unless anyone has any particular concerns to raise. Are these approved? Thank you.

The second item on the Agenda then, is Matters Arising from the minutes of 18th February. There are no formal matters arising from these minutes. Does anyone have any other matters of pressing business arising from the minutes that are not likely to be dealt with under any other items on the Agenda? Thank you.

We can then move onto Agenda item 3 and I invite the Convener of the Business Committee, Professor Stuart Macpherson to present the report of that meeting.

**Convener:** Chancellor’s Assessor, members of the General Council and Guests.

My last report was to the Half Yearly Meeting on Saturday 18th February and I want to start with a brief observation on that meeting. Everyone I have subsequently spoken with commented that the day had been a great success. In my opinion that was due to four people to whom I would like to record my thanks. Firstly Mike Mitchell, Secretary to the Business Committee and his assistant Alison MacLeary for their impeccable organisation, then the Principal for his memorable, instructive and very entertaining valedictory annual address and finally Ken McIntosh, Presiding Officer of the Scottish Parliament for his informative and thoughtful talk following lunch.

Since that Saturday Business Committee members have been busy and I will now give a very brief account of that activity. There has only been one full meeting of the Committee but as usual the majority of the discussion has taken place in the four Standing Committees led by their individual chairs.

Steve Hillier’s Academic Standing Committee has met twice. Firstly they heard from Vice Principle James Smith regarding the University’s Global Engagement Plan. Global objectives are grouped in three areas. Firstly **Community** - we have 20,000 international staff and students and Professor Smith has an ambition to guide Edinburgh to attain a place in the top 10 destination universities for all nations in the world. Secondly – **Exchange** – The University will encourage and assist students to gain overseas experience and therefore expand their CVs. And thirdly **Partnerships** – more regional offices will be created including one in Malawi and hopefully in the future one in Delhi or Mumbai.

Then on the 11th of May the Committee saw Dr Jon Turner, Director of the Institute for Academic Development who described the support his organisation provides in the form of courses, workshops and online resources to staff and students in teaching, learning and research development.

The Finance and Services Standing Committee discussed Big Data, the Alan Turing Institute and industry partners with Professor Richard Kenway, Vice Principal High Performance Computing and then at a second meeting the work of Edinburgh Research and Innovation with Dr George Baxter their new Chief Executive Officer. Dr Baxter explained that ERI is a wholly owned subsidiary of the University and develops the interface between public and private sector industry and the Universities academic research base. Despite bringing in £14M in royalties in the past five years and developing 2559 industry partnerships this is an area in which the University has fallen behind other UK institutions and Dr Baxter outlined his plans to rectify this situation.
Matt McPherson’s Public Affairs Standing Committee has similarly held two meetings. Firstly they discussed the University’s relationship with the Edinburgh Consular Corps. This conversation was led by Kristin Hannesdottir one of our Business Committee members who is Honorary Consul for Iceland and Dean of the Consular Corps in Edinburgh. The Committee subsequently discussed the challenges of transport for students around the University with Mr David Brook from the Estates Department. Since Edinburgh is not a campus university this poses particular difficulties. The topic was raised with us by the Student Association as their number one priority at the beginning of the session. Mr Brook made it clear that the University was alive to the problems and although a number of initiatives were in place and others had been tried the University would continue to work on further solutions as a very high priority.

Finally, just two days ago, the Constitutional Standing Committee met to discuss the proposed Scottish Code of Good Higher Education Governance. Ann Smyth, our former Business Committee member and Court Assessor, was on the national Steering Group and she explained the background at a meeting chaired by Professor David Munro. This along with the Higher Education Governance (Scotland) Act 2016 has also led to discussions between the General Council and the University. These are at an early stage but I am pleased to report that we have been greatly encouraged by the very positive support for the General Council from the University and their appreciation of our efforts especially the contribution of our Assessors, past and present, to the deliberations of the University Court.

Finally I have one or two changes of personnel to record. This summer we say goodbye to three members of the Business Committee – Dorothy McLeod, Scott Peter and Matt McPherson. I want to thank all three for their support and contributions.

We are delighted to co-opt Professor Andrew Miller to the Business Committee. Professor Miller is an internationally renowned Edinburgh science graduate and formerly Principal and Vice Chancellor of the University of Stirling. I look forward to Professor Miller joining us next session.

Thank you sir.

**Chairman:** Thank you very much. Does anyone have any questions for the Convener? In that event I will now invite approval for the Report of the Business Committee and go onto Agenda item 4, and I invite the Secretary to announce the date of the next General Council meetings and the dates by which motions should be received

**Secretary:** Thank you Chairman. The next HYM of the General Council will be held on Feb 24 2018 and it will be in the Edinburgh Centre for Carbon Capture and Innovation in Infirmary Street, and thereafter the Playfair Library and we’re hopeful that the new Principal will be able to join us. [Note: this has since been amended to the new meeting facilities in the McEwan Hall, Teviot Place, Edinburgh].

The meeting following that will be in June 2018, the probable date is Saturday 9 June, not quite yet confirmed but that will likely be in a location in central Edinburgh. [Note: this has since been confirmed as Saturday 9 June in Appleton Tower and George Square Library].

The next elections to the Business Committee will be in Feb 2018 for five members of the Business Committee and nominations for these positions should be received in our office by November 22nd on forms you can either find on the website or you can ask the office for a copy. Thank you.
Chairman: Is there any other competent business for this meeting? I will now invite the Convener to move the motion.

Convener: Thank you Chairman. For the purpose of considering matters which may be transmitted to the General Council by the University Court or of any other business of a competent nature the Business Committee be empowered to act on behalf of the Council and this meeting be adjourned to a date to be fixed by the Business Committee.

Chairman: Ladies and gentlemen that concludes the formal business of the General Council meeting. It is now my great pleasure to invite Professor Moira Whyte, Head of the Medical School to introduce the afternoon’s events.

**B From Molecule to Man**

The report of the Business Committee was followed by presentations from Professor Moira Whyte, Head of the Medical School, and her colleagues: Dr Carl Tucker, (Zebrafish facility), Dr Jonine Fugueroa (Big Data), and Dr Tara Spires Jones (Centre for Dementia Prevention).

Enthusiastic attendance was witnessed during the afternoon sessions which provided an opportunity to illustrate developments in the Medical School that covered Big Data, Imaging, Dementia and a tour of the Ann Rowling Neurology Clinic. The interactive group discussions around the topics allowed plenty of time for delegate participation.

Pop ups were on display with student volunteers showcasing some of the wonderful IIG projects currently taking place, including the innovative ‘Pint of Science Festival Edinburgh’, the EUGBS Medical brigade to Honduras and the fascinating Anatomy body painting workbook.

**Any member who does not have web access may request a copy of Annex to the Billet from the General Council Office:**

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