

## Trustee Board meeting – 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024

### Attendees:

Jennifer Lynam (Chair & Sabbatical Trustee)  
Charlie Palmer (External Trustee)  
Edward Jacobs (Student Trustee)  
Nick Entwistle (External Trustee)  
Fay Shorter (Prospective Co-opted Trustee)  
Jacqui Clements (Prospective Co-opted Trustee)  
Ben Ward (Prospective Co-opted Trustee)  
Mia Clement (Sabbatical Trustee)  
Rosalie Chapman (Sabbatical Trustee)  
Kennedy Aliu (Sabbatical Trustee)  
Flora Wilson (Student Trustee)  
Emilie Tapping (Change Director)  
Nikki Smith (Interim-CEO)

### Apologies:

Nick Harris (Sabbatical Trustee)  
Danial Hussain (Sabbatical Trustee)

### Agenda:

1. Appointment of Trustees
  - a. No comments were raised re. the prospective Trustees to be co-opted.
  - b. Trustees were asked to approve.
  - c. **Unanimous decision to appoint Ben Ward, Jacqui Clements and Fay Shorter as Trustees of the Board for a period of 1-year as per the Articles.**
2. Turnaround Board
  - a. The University intervened over the weekend and issued a statement on the SU's Turnaround plans.
  - b. The SU remains in the same position as before, unable to appoint members to the Turnaround Board.
  - c. The University wants greater control over the process, possibly appointing the Chair and being involved in recruiting a Change Director.
  - d. SLT to review the mechanics of company law trusteeship, turnaround leadership, and University involvement.
  - e. Officers need clear messaging and support in navigating this politically sensitive situation.
  - f. The SU must acknowledge its challenges publicly to maintain cooperation.
  - g. The turnaround process must be a joint effort with the University.
  - h. Discussions with the Registrar on officer involvement in key meetings.
3. CLOSED ITEM
4. Student Council Update
  - a. Board noted that the RO and Student Council Chair have been appointed.

- b. The Board discussed the proposed VONC against the President.

**Vote:**

- c. In the Board's judgement this motion as it is written cannot go forward as it relates to employment issues (Article 23.3). We have instructed the staff team to seek legal advice in order to allow a VONC to go forward in a different format.
  - d. 7 approve
  - e. 2 abstain
  - f. 1 vote against
- g. **Actions:** NE & FS offer to support drafting the decision to Student Council; officers to see statement and approve. NS & ET to make sure that every stage of the decision making is clear in the statement.