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1. **THE IMPERIAL COLLEGE OF
SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND
MEDICINE**

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THE 13th DAY OF DECEMBER 2023

BY THE LORDS OF HIS MAJESTY'S MOST HONOURABLE
PRIVY COUNCIL

The Privy Council has approved the revised Statutes of The Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine as set out in the Schedule to this Order.

Richard Tilbrook, CVO

SCHEDULE

REVISED STATUTES OF THE IMPERIAL COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND MEDICINE

1. DEFINITION OF TERMS

- (1) In these Statutes and the Appendices thereto words bear the same meaning as in the Charter and, unless the context otherwise requires:
- (a) “the Charter” means the Charter of the University granted in 2007 (as amended) to which these Statutes are scheduled;
 - (b) “Ex Officio Staff Member” means a senior member of Staff who shall be a member of Council pursuant to Statute 3(1)(iv);
 - (c) “Independent Members” means members of the Council who are not Students, Staff or other persons holding office or employment in the University. Such members to be appointed by the Council;
 - (d) “Ordinance” means an Ordinance made by the Council in accordance with the Charter and these Statutes;
 - (e) “Regulation” means a Regulation made by the Council in accordance with the Charter and these Statutes;
 - (f) “Staff” means persons employed by the University;
 - (g) “Staff Member” means a member of Council (other than an Ex Officio Staff Member) who is a member of Staff and appointed in accordance with Statute 3(1)(v);

- (h) "Students" means persons registered for courses of study at the University;
- (i) "Student Members" means such members of Council who are Students who shall be appointed in accordance with the Ordinances, or, in the case of the President of the Students' Union, ex officio;
- (2) Any reference to a numbered Statute shall be taken to refer to the Statute of such number in these Statutes.
- (3) Except where the context otherwise requires, words importing the singular number shall include the plural number and vice versa.
- (4) References to the provisions of any statute or statutory provision include, unless the context otherwise requires, reference to the corresponding provisions of any subsequent statute or statutory provision directly or indirectly amending, consolidating, extending, replacing or re-enacting the same.

2. MEMBERSHIP OF THE UNIVERSITY

The membership of the University shall be defined by Ordinance.

3. THE COUNCIL

(1) Membership of the Council

- (a) The Council shall consist of the following persons:
 - (i) The President, ex officio;
 - (ii) The Provost, ex officio;
 - (iii) The Chief Operating Officer (or, if not appointed, the Chief Financial Officer), ex officio;
 - (iv) Four Ex Officio Staff Members, as prescribed in the Ordinances;
 - (v) Up to four Staff Members appointed in accordance with the Ordinances;
 - (vi) At least ten and not more than fourteen Independent Members;
 - (vii) At least one and up to two Student Members;

provided that the Independent Members always comprise the majority.

- (b) There shall be a Chair of Council who shall be appointed by Council from amongst the Independent Members.

- (c) A Deputy Chair of Council and a Senior Independent Member of Council may be appointed by Council from amongst the Independent Members.
- (d) Procedures for the appointment of members of the Council, including procedures for the filling of casual vacancies, shall be as prescribed by Ordinance.
- (e) Members of the Council shall hold such terms of office as prescribed by Ordinance, up to four years, with eligibility to be reappointed.
- (f) Retirement of and removal of members of Council shall be as prescribed by Ordinance provided that:-
 - (i) Ex officio members shall cease to be members on vacation of the relevant office;
 - (ii) A Staff Member or Student Member shall cease to be a member of the Council if they cease to be a member of Staff or a Student respectively;
 - (iii) The Council may require any member against whom a bankruptcy order has been made, or who makes a voluntary arrangement or any form of composition with their creditors, or a similar or equivalent order or arrangement in any jurisdiction or who is convicted on indictment of a criminal offence, to resign from membership;
 - (iv) Any member of the Council may resign by sending notice of resignation in writing to the Clerk to the Council.

(2) Meetings of the Council

- (a) The Council shall meet at least three times during the academic year, but additional meetings shall be called as required by the Chair or at the written request of no fewer than one-third of the members.
- (b) The quorum for a meeting of the Council shall be ten, of which at least six shall be Independent Members.
- (c) A meeting of the Council may be held either in person or by suitable electronic or virtual means.
- (d) A resolution approved in writing or by electronic means, by the majority of the members of Council (or in the case of a Special Resolution three quarters of the members of Council), shall be as valid as a resolution passed at a meeting. For this purpose, the resolution may be approved in or by more than one document and will be treated as passed on the date the majority is received.

(3) Powers and Functions of the Council

Subject to the Charter and Statutes, the Council shall exercise all the powers of the University which, without limiting the above, shall be prescribed by Ordinance including the power:

- (a) to appoint the President;
- (b) to make, amend or revoke Ordinances and Regulations; and
- (c) to establish committees with such membership as deemed necessary to assist in the discharge of its responsibilities.

4. ACTS DURING VACANCIES

No act or resolution of the Council or any committee or board constituted in accordance with these Statutes shall be invalid by reason only of any vacancy in the body doing or passing it or by reason of any want of qualification by or invalidity in the election or appointment of any de facto member of the body whether present or absent, or by reason of the accidental omission to give any member notice of the meeting or the non-receipt by any member of that notice.

5. OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY

(1) The President

- (a) The President of the University shall be appointed by the Council.
- (b) The President shall hold office for such period and on such terms and conditions as the Council shall determine.
- (c) Subject to the provisions of the Charter and these Statutes, the President shall be responsible for ensuring that the objects of the University are fulfilled, for maintaining and promoting the efficient and proper management of the affairs of the University, and for such other duties as may be prescribed by Ordinance or determined by the Council from time to time.
- (d) Subject to any directions or limitations imposed by the Council, the President shall have power to delegate any powers and duties to any person or committee.

(2) The Provost

- (a) The Provost of the University shall be appointed by the Council, on the recommendation of the President.
- (e) The Provost shall hold office for such period and on such terms and conditions as the Council shall determine.
- (f) Subject to the provisions of the Charter and these Statutes, the Provost shall be responsible for the delivery of the University's core academic mission, including oversight of the quality and efficacy of education

and research; recruitment, development and retention of academic and research staff; and student life and well-being and for such other duties as may be prescribed by Ordinance or determined by the Council from time to time.

- (g) Subject to any directions or limitations imposed by the Council, the Provost shall have power to delegate any powers and duties to any person or committee.

(3) Chief Operating Officer

The Council shall, on the recommendation of the President, appoint for such a period as the Council shall determine a Chief Operating Officer of the University or, if so recommended by the President, a Chief Financial Officer of the University, who shall undertake such duties as shall be assigned to them by the President, including responsibility for the financial reporting of the University.

(4) University Secretary & Registrar

The Council shall, on the recommendation of the President, appoint a person to act as University Secretary, or, if so recommended by the President, a University Secretary & Registrar, who shall be responsible for the functioning of Council, its committees and meetings (reporting to the Chair of Council for this purpose) and to undertake such other duties as are assigned to them by the President.

(5) Other Officers

The Council may, on the recommendation of the President and in accordance with the Ordinances, designate other University posts as University Officer posts to discharge such responsibilities and duties as may be assigned to them by the President.

(6) Staff Of The University

Procedures governing the discipline, grievances and dismissal of academic staff employed by the University shall be set out in the Ordinances.

(7) Accounts And Audit

The Council shall ensure that financial accounts are kept and that an annual statement of the University's finances is prepared and published. The University shall have external Auditors who shall be appointed by the Council. The Auditors shall be members of a recognised supervisory body and eligible for appointment under the rules of that body.



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