COUNCIL MEETING, INSTITUTE AND FACULTY OF ACTUARIES MINUTES

Date 12 May 2016

Start Time 09.00 Finish Time 11.00

Place By Conference call

Council Members present:

Fiona Morrison President and Chair

Kelvin Chamunorwa Carole Ryden Nick Salter Jules Constantinou Charles Cowling Edwin Sheaf Stephen Cunningham Mike Smedley Kathryn Morgan Suzanne Vaughan Marjorie Ngwenya Haijing Wang Colin Wilson Mark O'Reilly Martin Potter Cynthia Yuan

Louise Pryor

In attendance:

Tim Birse Chair, IFoA Education Board Derek Cribb IFoA, Chief Executive

Clifford Friend IFOA, Chief Executive
IFOA, Director of Education
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IFOA, Director of Education
IFOA, General Counsel
IFOA, Membership Director
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Anne Moore IFoA, Director of Finance and Operations

Paul Reynolds IFoA, Director of Public Affairs Kimberley Russell IFoA, Corporate Secretary IFoA Fellow, as Observer Alan Whalley Chair, IFoA Management Board

PART I - INTRODUCTION AND PROTOCOLS

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The President welcomed attendees to the extraordinary Council meeting and noted apologies from Marian Elliot, Andrew Hitchcox, Keith Jennings, Patrick Lee, Andrew Rear, Nick Silver, Malcolm Slee, Peter Tompkins, Elliot Varnell, Ellen Yang and Feifei Zhang. The following proxy votes had been given by those members absent:

- Kathryn Morgan for Elliot Varnell, and
- Nick Salter for Andrew Rear.

2. REGISTRATION AND DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interest were made.

3. CERTIFIED ACTUARIAL ANALYST

This agenda item would be minuted separately as a confidential item of these minutes.

4. REFRESH OF STRATEGY - EDUCATION

The President welcomed Tim Birse to the meeting. Both Tim and Clifford Friend highlighted key issues arising from Paper circulated to Council by email on 6 May 2016.

The subsequent discussion largely focussed on the future strategy for the IFoA's qualification framework which included, but not exclusively so, the conceptual structure and design of the framework, aiding diversification in application of the actuarial skillset.

Council remained supportive of the proposal that an agile, modern and flexible education framework (in recognition of the pace of change) be developed.

In doing so, Council considered the relationship between the Certified Actuarial Analyst and an educational route through which specialist pathways could be developed in traditional and non-traditional sectors – and supported the value of core actuarial competencies for all "future actuaries", responsive to and adaptable to industry and sectorial influences. Further, Council supported the proposition to explore renaming the IFoA's Associate level, raising its profile, and better aligning the competencies of an "Associate" with the term "actuary" and the membership grades used by other Royal Charter Professional Institutions. Council reiterated its view that a change of model would require a mind-set change and, as such, the handling of transitional arrangements, and communication with members more generally, would be important, particularly so with regard to the value of the existing Fellowship status, and specialist competencies beyond the current Associateship.