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new body to sit alongside Research Councils UK and Innovate UK, and the reallocation of HEFCE's teaching-related operations to the new Office for Students, which would also house the current Office for Fair Access.

- 41.3 The White Paper asserted the Government's belief in a marketised approach to the sector, notably by making it easier for new HE providers to obtain a university title and degree-awarding powers. Although this element did not directly relate to existing HEIs, the Government would

had recently joined the UI Board. This was currently being managed as a Type 2 (Faculty) Partnership, with elements of Type 3 (Institutional) Partnership because of the potential global impact and size of the grant. It was expected that the recommendation to Council in July would be that the necessary conditions for Anchor Partnership (Type 4) status were not yet in place, but that further development of this significant partnership was in train. Progress would be reviewed in 12 months' time.

- 42.3 The new President of PKU had visited UCL in April. He and the Provost had agreed that UCL and PKU were strategic partners. A recommendation was likely to be submitted to UCL Council in November 2016 that UCL should treat this as its first Anchor Partnership.
- 42.4 The Yale UCL Collaborative was progressing well, and broadening in academic scope from its initial home in medicine and the life sciences. That, combined with the creative energy between the respective academic communities, the chemistry between the two Presidents and the track record over nearly 10 years of collaborative activity and increasing profile given to it, meant that the Collaborative was operating successfully as a Type 3 (Institutional) Partnership. This would be reviewed by the North American Steering Group towards the end of 2016.
- 42.5 UCL continued to receive many expressions of interest in developing closer working relationships from a number of international partners, notably the Universities of Toronto, Hong Kong and Queensland.
- 42.6 UCL was in discussion with the Max Planck Society (MPS), with whom staff had co-authored 1

45 ACADEMIC REGULATIONS REVIEW

[PAPER 4-03, 2015-16]

45.1 **Received** the academic regulations review.

46 ANNUAL REPORT FROM EDUCATION COMMITTEE ON NEW PROGRAMMES OF STUDY APPROVED IN 2015-16

[PAPER 4-04, 2015-16]

46.1 **Received** the annual report of new programmes of study approved in 2015-16.

47 STEC STUDENT FEEDBACK DATA OVERVIEW REPORT 2014-15

[PAPER 4-05, 2015-16]

47.1 **Received** the STEC student feedback data overview report for 2014-15.

48 REPORTS OF SUB-COMMITTEES, WORKING GROUPS ETC OF ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

48.1 **Received** a note of the following Minutes, received by AC officers:

Education Committee – 1 December 2015

Equalities and Diversity Committee – 24 November 2015

Library Committee – 2 March 2016

49 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

49.1 The dates of next meetings of Academic Committee had been scheduled as follows:

2016-17 session

Tuesday 8 November 2016 at 10.00am

Tuesday 14 March 2017 at 10.00am

Thursday 15 June 2017 at 10.00am

2017-18 session

Tuesday 7 November 2017 at 10.00am

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