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University Governance

University Ordinances

Ordinance XVIII

Acting Appointments During Temporary Vacancies

(Version effective from 1 August 2011 until 1 July 2015)

1. Should there be a vacancy in the office of Vice-Chancellor or a temporary absence or inability of the Vice-Chancellor deemed likely to exceed three months, the Council shall appoint a Joint Committee of equal numbers nominated by the Council and Senate, and with the Chair of Council as Chair, to recommend to the Council the appointment of an Acting Vice-Chancellor.
2. Should there be a vacancy in the office of Deputy Vice-Chancellor or Pro-Vice-Chancellor or Dean, or a temporary absence or inability of the same which is deemed likely to exceed three months, the Vice-Chancellor shall, at the earliest opportunity, express an opinion to Senate on the arrangements to be made to ensure that the duties and responsibilities of the said office are adequately conducted. The Senate may, if it deems it appropriate, recommend to the Council the appointment of an acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor or Pro-Vice-Chancellor or Dean as the case may be, and the Council may make such an acting appointment.
3. In any case in which an acting appointment is made, the appointment shall be deemed to be for the duration of the vacancy in office or of the temporary absence or inability of the principal holder thereof unless Council, on the recommendation of Senate or of a Joint Committee of Council and Senate, shall have determined otherwise.
4. Any person acting during a temporary vacancy in office in accordance with any of the foregoing provisions shall exercise all the duties, rights and responsibilities appertaining to that office or such duties, rights and responsibilities as may be prescribed in the arrangements made pursuant to paragraph 2 hereof.

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