



Minutes of Board Meeting held on 10 July 2020

Location	Present	In Attendance
By video conference	A Kershaw (Chair) J Beckerleg M Bottomley D Bray S Brookhouse Emeritus Professor T Crook W Freeman E Marco S McCusker	Emma Matthews Simon Howard Marc Stoner (Acting Chief Executive Officer and Registrar Brian James Teresa Graham (Minutes)

Note

15 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Liz Male.

16 Members' Interests

There were no declarations relevant to the open session agenda items.

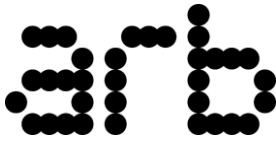
17 Update from the Chair

The Chair provided an update on the Board vacancies and appointments process. The appointments would need to be approved by the Minister and then the Privy Council and, although the recommendations were due soon, the Government's summer recess on 21 July might delay the process meaning that new appointments would not be confirmed until late autumn at the earliest.

The Chair confirmed that he had arranged a trip to London to meet with the Senior Management Group at the ARB office later in the month.

It was noted that there were going to be several committee meetings at the end of the month which included Audit and Risk Assurance, Remuneration and Appointment and Policy Committees.

The Chair had issued his first statement for the eBulletin, where he had reported that the Board was working on the five core projects and that it was carrying on with all other business as usual.



18 Minutes

The Board approved unanimously the minutes of the meeting held on 19 June 2020.

19 Matters Arising Report

The Board noted matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

20 Policy Committee Terms of Reference

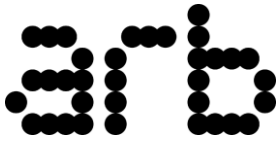
Some minor adjustments had been made to the Policy Committee's membership requirements. This would allow the Committee to be temporarily populated by Board members, with Board portfolio holders attending to join the debate on items within their subject area. The Committee would be working on high level areas of work including the UK's exit from the EU, sustainability and prescription matters.

The reference in the text to the Operational Management Group (OMG) would be amended to refer to the Senior Leadership Group (SLG).

The Board approved unanimously the minor amendments set out in Annexes A and B, to the membership requirements set out in the Policy Committee's Terms of Reference and that the adjustments applied retrospectively from 22 June 2020.

21 Chief Executive's Report

There was no further update from the Chief Executive.



22 Minutes

Minutes of the Audit and Risk Assurance Committee meeting of 10 June 2020

The Chair raised a question about a long standing arrangement whereby the current RIBA President was invited to provide a presentation to the ARB Board and asked if this was still an active possibility.

A Board member had met recently with the RIBA President, who had expressed common interests and was supportive of the Board's work.

The Chair confirmed that he would be meeting with the RIBA in two weeks and that he would take this opportunity to invite the RIBA President to the Board meeting on 7 September.

A question had been raised at a recent SCHOSA meeting about what the Board could do to help in respect of student funding. The Head of Qualifications and Governance confirmed that she had had a brief conversation with SCHOSA and was aware that the heads of schools were preparing to lobby Government for an increase to be made to the funding allocated for qualifications in architecture. Whilst ARB could not undermine Government direction, it could provide some factual information, for example in relation to the changing Criteria, that could help support schools of architecture.

11 Dates of Future Board Meetings:

3 August 2020 (*later cancelled as it was no longer required*)

14 August 2020

7 September 2020

2 October 2020

20 November 2020

3 December 2020