

**Draft Minutes of the Special Governing Body meeting
of Thursday 28th November 2019, at 16.00**

- Present:** David Holohan (Chairperson), Dr Fionnuala Anderson, Celine Blacow, Eimear Boyd, Marie Carroll, Dr Annie Doona, Anthony Dunne, John McDonnell, Fiona McLoughlin, Áine O’Sullivan, Joachim Pietsch, Cllr Barry Saul
- Apologies:** Kieron Connolly, Maeve McConnon, Sorcha Nic Cormac, Jim Pipe, Aoife Ruane, Tom Taylor, Cllr Barry Ward
- In Attendance:** Bernard Mullarkey

1. Suspension of Standing Orders

The meeting was called by the Secretary to the Governing Body at the request of the Chairperson of the Governing Body on the basis of a suspension of Standing Orders of the Governing Body. The meeting was called at short notice (suspension of the notice period for the meeting) and the meeting was held by telephone conference call (suspension of the requirement for 6 persons to be in attendance in the meeting location for the purposes of a quorum).

2. Chairman’s Introduction and Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed the members and thanked them for facilitating the meeting. It was noted that 5 members were present in the President’s Office and the remainder of the members, as well as the Secretary were attending by telephone. As there were 12 members in attendance, the meeting was deemed quorate.

3. Resolution 16/2019

The resolution before the Governing Body had been notified to the members as follows:

“The Governing Body approves the appointment of “a Named individual” (name will be provided during the meeting) as President of IADT subject to the completion of all necessary reference checks, other HR verifications processes and agreement of contract.”

The Chairperson outlined the process that had been undertaken in the recruitment process for the new President. The process had been conducted by Mazars on behalf of the Institute. 37 applications had been received and following a shortlisting process, 7 candidates had been called to interview. 6 of these candidates attended for the interview on Friday 15th November and 2 candidates were called for a second interview, which occurred on Wednesday 27th November. The Interview Panel

comprised the Chairperson of the IADT Governing Body, the President of an Institute of Technology, the President of an Irish University, the Chief Officer (Vice Chancellor) of a University outside Ireland and a senior member of the Executive and a Director of a large Irish PLC.

The Chairperson proposed the amendment of the Resolution to read:

“The Governing Body approves the appointment of Mr David Smith as President of IADT subject to the completion of all necessary reference checks, other HR verifications processes and agreement of contract. Mr Smith to take up his appointment on the retirement of the current President.”

The Resolution was Proposed by Cllr Barry Saul and Seconded by Fiona McLoughlin. The members unanimously approved the Resolution.

It should be noted that the Term of Office as approved by the Minister for Education and Skills is for a period of 7 years.

4. Confidentiality

The Chairperson requested that the details of the meeting remain confidential until:

- a) the candidates had been informed of the outcome of the process and
- b) the current President had had an opportunity to notify the Executive, Management Team and Staff of the Institute by e-mail which would occur no later than Monday 2nd December.

5. Conclusion of Meeting

The Chairperson thanked members for attending at short notice and for their decision. The Chairperson concluded the meeting.

Signed: _____
David Holohan
Chairperson

Date: _____