



The Institute of Ismaili Studies

**Minutes of the Board of Governors
Held on 21st May 2021 on Zoom
Meeting No. 06/21**

Governors Present:	Professor Ali Asani Dr Nadia Eboo Jamal Ms Karina Govindji Dr Arif Jamal Mr Rahim Karim Mr Alykhan Kassam Mr Aryn Kassim-Lakha	Professor Tashmin Khamis Mr Naguib Kheraj Dr Sharofat Mamadambarova Dr Shogufa Mir Malekyar Mr Habib Motani Professor Nacim Pak-Shiraz Professor Farid Panjwani
Governors Absent:	None	
Quorum present:	Yes	
Others present:	Dr Farhad Daftary (permanent guest) Ms Selina Ramji (permanent guest) Ms Tara Woolnough (item 4) Dr Tullio Lobetti, Miss Saleeta Rajwani and Miss Anusha Rayani (items 5&6)	
Apologies:	None	

The meeting was called to order at 13.00pm.

1. Conflicts of interest

- a) There were no declarations of interest over and above the current standing list of interests notified to the Board.

2. Co-Director's Report & PhD Scholarship Programme

- a) The Co-Director's Report for May 2021 was noted.
- b) Governors inquired after the welfare of staff and students during this time.
- c) Governors endorsed the recommendation brought forward by Dr Daftary on the awarding of PhD Scholarships in 2021.

3. Board Committee and Working Groups Updates

- a) Updates from the Committee and Working Group Chairs were noted.

4. Department of Academic Research and Publications – 2019 Book Reviews

- a) The Governors deliberated on the submission and shared feedback for consideration.
- b) The Governors were comfortable with the format and confirmed that it could be used as a template moving forward.

5. Academic Governance

- a) It was noted that revised documents, including input from staff and students, will be ready for the July meeting.

6. *Roadmap for Degree Awarding Powers (DAP)*

- a) The Governors requested that a more detailed plan, including resource requirements and timelines, should be developed for their consideration.
- b) The Governors were comfortable with moving forward on key areas in a parallel manner.

7. *Any other business*

None.

8. *In camera*

Exempt from publication – see confidential minutes

Selina K Ramji
IIS Board Secretary
21 May 2021