



The Institute of Ismaili Studies

**Minutes of the Board of Governors
Held on 17th September 2021 on Zoom
Meeting No. 09/21**

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	Mr Naguib Kheraj Dr Sharofat Mamadambarova Dr Shogufa Mir Malekyar Mr Habib Motani Professor Nacim Pak-Shiraz Professor Farid Panjwani
Governors Absent:	Professor Tashmin Khamis	
Quorum present:	Yes	
Others present:	Dr Farhad Daftary (permanent guest) Ms Selina Ramji (permanent guest) Dr Shainool Jiwa (item 3) Mr Rafiq Ajani (item 3)	Dr Walid Ghali (item 4) Dr Shiraz Kabani (item 5) Mr Zulfiqar Khimani (item 5) Dr Laila Halani (item 7)
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. *Director's Report*

- a) The Director's Report for September 2021 was noted.
- b) Governors inquired after the welfare of staff and students during this time.
- c) Governors provided input on the new template.

3. *Board Committee and Working Groups Updates*

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

4. *Muslim Bioethics Analysis paper*

- a) The Governors confirmed they were comfortable with the submission and proposed way forward.
- b) A short memo outlining the proposed principles should be developed for the Board of Trustees.

5. *Aga Khan Library Strategy*

- a) The Governors provided input and confirmed they were in principle comfortable with the submission.

6. *IIS – DJI – ITREB Meeting Phase II*

- b) The Governors confirmed they were comfortable with the submission.

7. *Any other business*

- a) The Governors requested updates on the status of the remaining STEP students' arrivals into the UK and any associated challenges.
- b) The outcome of the stipend revision exercise will be shared with the Governors in October.

Selina K Ramji
IIS Board Secretary
17 September 2021