

# **DUNDEEE UCU BRANCH MEETING**

**Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020**

**12.30pm, Teams Calendar**

## **AGENDA**

- 1. Apologies for absence:**
- 2. Minutes of Last Meeting: Attached**
- 3. Matters Arising from previous Minute:**
- 4. Update from President around the dispute and Workloads**
- 5. Speaker- James Richardson (Heriot-Watt Vice President)**
- 6. Restructuring and Cost cutting by University**
- 7. Motions:**

Fight compulsory redundancies

DUCU notes the:

1. University is seeking to make job cuts across the university with specific identification of 15% of the total academic staff in the Humanities, School of Social Sciences and Education & Social Work.
2. The reported deficit of £16m assumes a 50% drop in overseas students and a 20% reduction in home students, neither of which occurred.
3. University's own data shows all schools are in surplus
4. The construction of a deficit brings into question the competence and honesty of the University Executive Group.

DUCU resolves to:

1. Declare a dispute with the University over the threat of compulsory redundancies and move immediately to organise ballots for industrial action starting as early into the next semester as is possible.
2. Demand the merger of the three schools into one school be abandoned can campaign among Senate to vote down this proposal.
3. Declare that DUCU has no confidence in the UEG and demands full disclosure of the outsourcing contracts, consultancy and internal financial data for a full critical accounting investigation into the university's finances

**8. AOCB:**

**9. Date of Next Meeting**

**Ian Ellis (Branch Secretary) November 2020**