

THE FRIENDS of the UNIVERSITY OF READING.

SCHEME OF THE ASSOCIATION.

1. The Association entitled "THE FRIENDS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF READING" exists for the purposes of promoting the welfare of the University, and of maintaining and developing public interest in the University's work and progress.

2. Membership of the Association is open to persons who pay to the Association an annual subscription of an amount determined from time to time by the Yearly Meeting of the Association. Those whose subscriptions are more than two years in arrear cease to be members.

3. The Chancellor of the University shall be the President of the Association.

4. The Vice-Chancellor of the University, the President and the Vice-President of the University Council, and the Treasurer of the University shall *ex-officio* be Vice-Presidents of the Association. Not more than four other persons shall be elected Vice-Presidents at the Yearly Meeting of the Association. Vice-Presidents shall have the right of attending meetings of the Executive Committee, but shall not be entitled to vote at such meetings. In the absence of the President, one of the Vice-Presidents or the Chairman of the Executive Committee shall preside at meetings of the Association.

5. The management of the Association shall be in the hands of (1) an Executive Committee, and (2) the Yearly Meeting of the Association, to be held at such time as the Executive Committee shall appoint.

6. The Executive Committee shall comprise:

(a) twelve members of the Association elected by the Yearly Meeting each to serve for a period of three years and to be eligible for re-election. The arrangements for election shall provide for one third of the members to retire each year;

and

(b) not more than three members co-opted by the Executive Committee for such period not exceeding three years as the Executive Committee shall on each occasion of co-option determine. Such co-options shall be reported to the Yearly Meeting.

7. Elections to vacancies upon the Executive Committee shall be held at the Yearly Meeting of the Association.

8. The Executive Committee shall appoint its own Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. The Secretary and Treasurer need not be members of the Committee, and shall, if possible, be officers of the University.

9. The whole of the income of the Association, after deducting the expenses of working and subject to maintaining an appropriate reserve, shall be devoted to furthering the welfare of the University, in the manner prescribed in the paragraph next following.

10. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to prepare annually after such inquiries as may be necessary, and to submit to the Yearly Meeting of the Association for its approval, a list of the purposes in connection with the University which it is proposed to assist from the funds of the Association, and to name the amount of the grant proposed in each case. The Committee shall also have power to make grants in cases in which prompt action is necessary, but all such grants shall be reported to the Yearly Meeting in the manner prescribed above.

11. The Executive Committee shall present an audited statement of the accounts of the Association at each Yearly Meeting.

12. The Executive Committee shall be entitled to apply to the Vice-Chancellor for information upon any question relating to the purposes proposed to be aided by grant, and to obtain his opinion thereon.

13. The Executive Committee may propose amendments to this scheme, but no such proposals shall become operative until approved either at a Yearly Meeting of the Association or at a Special Meeting convened after not less than fourteen days' notice.

14. The Vice-Chancellor, or other representative of the University, shall attend the Yearly Meeting and shall make any statements with regard to the University and the purposes aided or proposed to be aided by the Association that may be requisite.

15. The Executive Committee shall take such measures as it deems expedient to maintain the numbers and the activity of the Association in pursuit of its purposes as set out in paragraph 1. To this end the Committee shall have power to convene and organize special meetings and events, whether of a social character or for the despatch of business. Expenses in connection with such meetings and events may be defrayed from the funds of the Association subject to the prior and specific approval of the Executive Committee, which shall be reported to the Yearly Meeting.

16. The Headquarters of the Friends of the University shall be at the University, and meetings, whether of the Association or the Executive Committee, shall normally be held there or in a location with an appropriate connection with the University.