Law Foundation

Annual Report for the year 1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020

1. Trustees serving during 2019–20

David Ryan 2017–2021 (Chair)
Andrew Mackie 2018–2021 (representing the Vice-Chancellor)
Susan Bright 2018–2021 (appointed by the Law Board)
Tina Cook QC 2018–2021
Rachel Brandenburger 2018–2021
Anne Davies 2015–2020 *ex officio* as Dean of the Faculty of Law

Secretary: Harry Lewendon-Evans, Development Assistant in the Faculty of Law

2. Re-cap of Charitable Objectives

The Law Foundation is constituted as a charitable trust governed by a Declaration of Trust.

The charitable objectives of the Law Foundation are to promote and develop the study of the theory and practice of law in all its branches, whether at the University or elsewhere, by staff of the University, by those holding visiting appointments at the University, and by students pursuing courses of study approved by the University.

3. Meetings

The trustees held their annual meeting in Oxford on 8th November 2019.

4. Membership

David Ryan was approved to continue as Chair of the Trustees in 2020–2021.

5. Financial position

The balance brought forward at the beginning of the financial year was £709,492. By year ending 31st July 2019, total income was £204,746, including an exceptional capital gain of £138,106 on realization of units in Oxford Capital Fund and transfer of proceeds to the Oxford Endowment Fund, and expenditure was £22,718. The market value of funds held at year end was £891,520.


6.1 DPhil Scholarships

Two fully-funded DPhil Scholarships were approved.

6.2 Africa-Oxford Initiative (AfOx)

The Africa-Oxford Initiative (AfOx) is a cross-university platform designed to promote collaboration between Oxford and African institutions. The Law Foundation agreed to support the Law Faculty’s participation in this scheme for three years.
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