BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION

FACULTY OF COMMERCE

DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND FINANCE

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE (BS 410)

DURATION: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- a) Answer any four questions.
- b) Start answering each question on a new page.
- c) Each question carries 25 marks



QUESTION ONE

- a) Describe the relationship between corporate governance and investment.
- b) Critically evaluate the assertion that greater independence of non-executive directors is important in increasing the effectiveness of board committees. (5)
- c) Assess the contribution of non-executive directors in improving the governance of corporations.

(15)

(5)

[25 marks]

QUESTION TWO

- a) 'The issue of fat cat directors has caused problems to corporations for many years across the globe negatively affecting their performance'. Discuss this assertion giving evidence both locally and internationally.
- b) Explain how this problem can be resolved from a corporate governance perspective? (10)

[25 marks]

QUESTION THREE

- a) Critically evaluate the effectiveness of the Zimbabwean and American approaches to dealing with corporate governance issues. (10)
- b) Discuss the assertion that corporate governance does not apply to corporations only. (15)

[25 marks]

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Explain the principal agent problem in corporate governance. (7)
- b) Critically evaluate any **three** theories of Corporate Governance. (18)

[25marks]

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Explain the indicators of poor corporate governance in corporations. (10)
- b) 'Transparency and accountability are some of the pillars that strengthen good corporate governance.'

Citing practical examples from Zimbabwean corporations, discuss how these pillars can be promoted. (15)

[25 marks]

QUESTION SIX

Discuss the roles of the main board committees in corporate governance.

[25 marks]

END OF EXAMINATION