



Academic Board Agenda

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NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the **Academic Board** will be held at **2.00 pm** on **Wednesday 27 February 2008** in the Professorial Board Room.

Members who are unable to attend are asked to notify Megan Kemmis at the above address. Enquiries concerning this meeting may also be directed to Ms Kemmis.

Megan Kemmis

for

Dr W Adams

Registrar

20 February 2008

AGENDA

Pages

★ 1. **Apologies**
Apologies have been received from: Drs T Anthony, P Marks and R Stanton and Ms C McNally.

★ 2. **Arrangement of agenda**
2.1 **Starring of items**

2.2 **Adoption of unstarred items**

Recommendation

The Academic Board resolve as recommended with respect to all unstarred items.

3. **Minutes of previous meeting**
3.1 **Meeting of 12 December 2007**

Appendix A
A1-A20

Recommendation

The Academic Board adopt the minutes of the previous meeting held on 12 December 2007 as a true record.

4. **Business arising from Minutes** (not dealt with elsewhere in the Agenda)

- ★ 5. **Report of the Chair** **Appendix B**
5.1 **Report on Senate Matters**
5.1.1 **Report of the Senate meeting held on 4 February 2008**
Supplementary agenda

Recommendation

The Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Academic Board on academic matters considered by Senate at its meeting of 4 February 2008.

- 5.2 **Honours and Distinctions** B1-B2

Recommendation

The Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Academic Board on the honours and distinctions and congratulate the recipients, as set out in the report presented.

- 5.3 **General Report**
5.3.1 **Academic Board Membership for 2008** B2

Recommendation

That the Academic Board endorse the Chair's nomination of Professor Scott Kable to membership of the Academic Board under clause 5.1.6 of the University of Sydney (Academic Governance) Rule 2003 for a term expiring 31 December 2009.

- 5.3.2 **Chairs of the Academic Board Standing Committees** B3

Recommendation

That in accordance with the University of Sydney (Academic Governance) Rule 2003 and on the nomination of the Chair of the Academic Board, the Academic Board appoint Professor Belinda Bennett as Chair of the Academic Staffing Committee, Associate Professor Peter McCallum as Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee, Associate Professor Greg Ryan as Chair of the Learning and Teaching Committee, Professor Jill Trehwella as Chair of the Research Committee and Professor Scott Kable as Chair of the Undergraduate Studies Committee, for a term expiring on 31 December 2009, as set out in the report presented.

- 5.3.3 **Appointment of Deputy Chair** B3

Recommendation

That in accordance with the University of Sydney (Academic Governance) Rule 2003 and on the nomination of the Chair of the Academic Board, the Academic Board appoint Associate Professor P McCallum as Deputy Chair of the Academic Board for a term expiring on 31 December 2009, as set out in the report presented.

- 5.3.4 **Academic Board Membership: Filling of Casual Vacancies** B3

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve the appointment of Professor Chris Murphy to fill the casual vacancy among

elected academic staff members from the Faculty of Medicine for a term expiring 31 December 2009, as set out in the report presented.

5.3.5 Academic Board Faculty Reviews: Phase 3 Guidelines

B4, Supplementary agenda

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve the guidelines for the Academic Board Phase 3 Faculty Reviews, as set out in the report presented.

5.3.6 Ethical Entrepreneurialism Working Party: Terms of Reference

B4, Supplementary agenda

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve the terms of reference for the Ethical Entrepreneurialism Working Party, as set out in the report presented.

5.3.7 Actions taken under Delegated Authority

B4, B6

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) note the report of the Chair of the Academic Board on actions taken under delegated authority since the Academic Board meeting of 12 December 2007,*
 - (2) approve the amendment to Schedule 1 of the policy "Admission to Undergraduate Courses", and*
 - (3) approve the amendment to Appendix 1 of the policy "Postgraduate English Language Requirements"*
- as set out in the report presented.*

5.3.8 Application for Early Submission of PhD Thesis

B5

Recommendation

The Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Academic Board regarding his approval of an application for early submission of a PhD thesis, as set out in the report presented.

★ **6. Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal**

Supplementary agenda

6.1 Report on Senate Matters

6.1.1 Report of the Senate meeting held on 4 February 2008

supplementary agenda

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal on matters considered by Senate at its meeting held on 4 February 2008.

6.2 General report

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the general report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal.

- ★ 7. **Question time**
Questions to the Vice-Chancellor and Chair of the Academic Board

(Time limit 15 minutes)

8. **Reports of Faculties** **Appendix C**
8.1 **Report of the Faculty of Arts** C1-C3
8.1.1 **Constitution of the Faculty of Arts** C1-C3

Recommendation

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate approve the amendments to the Constitution of the Faculty of Arts, as set out in the report presented.

- 8.2 **Report of the Faculty of Pharmacy** C1, C4
8.2.1 **Degrees, diplomas and certificates in the Faculty of Pharmacy** C1, C4

Recommendation

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate approve the amendments to the Resolutions of Senate relating to the degrees, diplomas and certificates in the Faculty of Pharmacy, as set out in the report presented.

9. **Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee** **Appendix D**
(Professor Scott Kable)

- ★ 9.1 **Oral report of the Chair**

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Undergraduate Studies Committee.

- 9.2 **Report of the meeting held on 13 February 2008** D1-D14
9.2.1 **The University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999 (as amended)** D1

Recommendation

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate approve the amendments to the University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999 (as amended), with effect from 1 January 2009.

- 9.2.2 **TOEFL equivalences** D1, D3-D5

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve the list of TOEFL equivalences, with effect from 1 January 2009.

9.2.3 Proposals for new and amended postgraduate courses D1-D2

9.2.3.1 Faculty of Health Sciences: Bachelor of Health Sciences and Bachelor of Health Sciences (Honours) D1-D2, D6

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to amend the Bachelor of Health Sciences and Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours, to include a major in Hearing and Speech,*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
 - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal to delete this course; and*
 - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the course*

with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

9.2.3.2 Faculty of Science D2, D7-D14
(1) Bachelor of Science (Molecular Biotechnology) D2, D7-D10

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to delete the Bachelor of Science (Molecular Biotechnology)*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
 - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal to delete this course; and*
 - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the list of degrees, diplomas and certificates in the Faculty of Science, and the rescission of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the course,*
- (3) *approve the deletion of the Faculty Resolutions relating to the course*

with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

(2) Bachelor of Science (Marine Science) D2, D11-D14

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to delete the Bachelor of Science (Marine Science)*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*

- (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal to delete this course; and
 - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the list of degrees, diplomas and certificates in the Faculty of Science, and the rescission of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the course,
- (3) approve the deletion of the Faculty Resolutions relating to the course with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

9.2.2 Proceedings of the Committee

D2

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Undergraduate Studies Committee meeting held on 13 February 2008, as set out in the report presented.

10. Report of the Graduate Studies Committee (Associate Professor Peter McCallum)

Appendix E

★ 10.1 Oral report of the Chair

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee.

10.2 Report of the meeting held on 13 February 2008

E1-E8

10.2.1 Proposals for new and amended postgraduate courses

E1-E2

10.2.1.1 Faculty of Economics and Business: Master of Marketing

E1, E3-E8

Recommendation:

That the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Economics and Business to introduce the Master of Marketing,
 - (2) recommend that Senate:
 - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;
 - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Economics and Business; and
 - (c) approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the course; and
 - (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to the degree;
- with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

10.2.1.2 Faculty of Medicine

- (1) **Master of Medical Education, Graduate Diploma in Medical Education and Graduate Certificate in Medical Education**

E1-E2

Recommendation:

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Medicine to introduce a new delivery mode to the Master of Medical Education, Graduate Diploma in Medical Education and Graduate Certificate in Medical Education; and*
- (2) *recommend that Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal, noting that there are no amendments to the Resolutions of Senate relating to these courses with effect from 1 January 2008, as set out in the report presented.*

- (2) **Master of Medicine (Clinical Epidemiology), Master of Science in Medicine (Clinical Epidemiology), Graduate Diploma in Medicine (Clinical Epidemiology), Graduate Diploma of Science in Medicine (Clinical Epidemiology) and Graduate Certificate in Medicine (Clinical Epidemiology)**

E2

Recommendation:

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Medicine to introduce a new delivery mode to the Master of Medicine (Clinical Epidemiology), Master of Science in Medicine (Clinical Epidemiology), Graduate Diploma in Medicine (Clinical Epidemiology), Graduate Diploma of Science in Medicine (Clinical Epidemiology) and Graduate Certificate in Medicine (Clinical Epidemiology); and*
- (2) *recommend that Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal, noting that there are no amendments to the Resolutions of Senate relating to these courses with effect from 1 January 2008, as set out in the report presented.*

(3) **Master of Public Health and Graduate Diploma in Public Health** E1-E2

Recommendation:

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Medicine to introduce a new delivery mode to the Master of Public Health and Graduate Diploma in Public Health; and*
- (2) *recommend that Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal, noting that there are no amendments to the Resolutions of Senate relating to these courses with effect from 1 January 2008, as set out in the report presented.*

10.2.2 Proceedings of the Committee E2

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Graduate Studies Committee meeting held on 13 February 2008, as set out in the report presented.

11. Report of the Learning and Teaching Committee Appendix F
(Associate Professor Greg Ryan)

★ **11.1 Oral report of the Chair**

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Learning and Teaching Committee.

11.2 Report of the meeting held on 6 February 2008 F1-F2
11.2.1 eLearning: Nature of teaching and learning F1-F2

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report on eLearning: Nature of teaching and learning.

11.2.2 Report from the Deputy Provost (Learning and Teaching) & Pro Vice-Chancellor F2

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report from the Deputy Provost (Learning and Teaching) and Pro Vice-Chancellor.

11.2.3 Proceedings of the Committee F2

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Learning and Teaching Committee meeting held on 6 February 2008, as set out in the report presented.

12. Report of the Research and Research Training Committee **Appendix G**
(Professor Bruce Sutton)

★ **12.1 Oral report of the Chair**

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Research and Research Training Committee.

12.2 Report of the meeting held on 6 February 2008 **G1-G2**

12.2.1 Academic Board Resolutions relating to the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy **G1**

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve the amendments to the Academic Board Resolutions relating to the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy with immediate effect, as set out in the report presented.

12.2.2 Proceedings of the Committee **G1-G2**

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Research and Research Training Committee meeting held on 6 February 2008, as set out in the report presented.

13. General Business **Supplementary agenda**

13.1 Appointment of members of the Student Proctorial Panel
Supplementary agenda

Recommendation

That the Academic Board appoint members of the Student Proctorial Panel, as set out in the report presented.