



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 25 February 2009** 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 M Edmond
Acting Registrar

18 February 2009

AGENDA

Pages

Acknowledgement of Country

- ★ 1. **Apologies**
Apologies have been received from: Professor E Schwarz, Dr M Fisher and Dr R Stanton and Mr D Brooks.

- ★ 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 10 December 2008**

Appendix A
A1-A24

Recommendation

The Academic Board adopt the minutes of the previous meeting held on 10 December 2008 as a true record.

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

★ 5. Discussion Topics

5.1 Refurbishment of Professorial Board Room

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the discussion on the refurbishment of the Professorial Board Room.

★ 6. Report of the Chair

Appendix B

6.1 Report on Senate Matters

6.1.1 Report of the Senate meeting held on 2 February 2009

B1

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Academic Board on academic matters considered by Senate at its meeting of 2 February 2009.

6.2 Honours and Distinctions

B1-B3

Recommendation

That 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.

6.3 General Report

6.3.1 Student Appeals against Academic Decisions

B3

Recommendation

That the Academic Board amend the Academic Board Resolutions regarding Student Appeals against Academic Decisions, as set out in the report presented.

6.3.2 Glossary

B5-B41

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve the amended Glossary of acronyms and terms with immediate effect, as set out in the report presented.

6.3.3 Review of Academic Board

B42

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve the formation of a team to review the Academic Board's structure and operations, and approve the draft terms of reference for this review, as set out in the report presented.

6.3.4 Academic Board Membership for 2009

B43-46

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) note the report on the membership of the Academic Board for 2009; and*
- (2) approve the nominated student members from the faculties as set out in the report presented.*

- ★ 7. **Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal** **Supplementary Agenda**
7.1 **Report on Senate Matters**
7.1.1 **Report of the Senate meeting held on 2 February 2009** *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 3 November 2008.

7.2 General report

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

(Time limit 15 minutes)

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 4 February 2009** D1-D6
9.2.1 **Proposals for new and amended undergraduate courses**
9.2.1.1 **Faculty of Arts: Bachelor of Arts (Honours)** D1, D3-D4

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the Bachelor of Arts*
- (2) *recommend that Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Arts noting there are no subsequent amendments to Resolutions of Senate,*
- (3) *note the Resolutions of the Faculty relating to the above course, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended); and*
- (4) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the honours degree,*
with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

- 9.2.1.2 **Faculty of Arts: Bachelor of Arts (Languages) (Honours)** D1, D5

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the Bachelor of Arts (Languages)(Honours,)*
- (2) *recommend that Senate endorse the Academic's Board approval of the proposal from the Faculty of*

- Arts noting that there are no subsequent amendments to Resolutions of Senate,
- (3) note the Resolutions of the Faculty relating to the above course, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended); and
 - (4) approve the faculty requirements relating to the units of study and honours degree,
- with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

9.2.1.3 Faculty of Arts: Bachelor of Arts (Media and Communications) D2, D6

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts for the introduction of Marketing as an elective unit and additional major in the Bachelor of Arts (Media and Communications),
 - (2) recommend that Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Arts noting that there are no subsequent amendments to Senate,
 - (3) note the Resolutions of the Faculty relating to the above course, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended); and
 - (4) approve the faculty requirements relating to the units of study and the pass degree,
- with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

9.2.3 Proceedings of the Committee D2

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Undergraduate Studies Committee meeting held on 4 February 2009, as set out in the report presented.

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

★ **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 11 February 2009 E1-E33
10.2.1 Academic Board Policy on Advanced Standing, Credit and Exemption pages E3-E8

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve the revisions to the policy on Advanced Standing, Credit and Exemption, with effect from 1 July 2009, as set out in the report presented.

10.2.2 Proposals for new and amended postgraduate courses

10.2.2.1 Faculty of Education and Social Work: Master of Education, Graduate Diploma in Educational Studies and Graduate Certificate in Educational Studies pages E9-E15

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Education and Social Work to amend the Master of Education, Graduate Diploma in Educational Studies and Graduate Certificate in Educational Studies;*
 - (2) *recommend that Senate:*
 - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal; and*
 - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate related to the Master of Education in the Faculty of Education and Social Work; and*
 - (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the courses;*
- with immediate effect, as set out in the reports presented.*

10.2.3 Reports from Faculties

10.2.3.1 Sydney Conservatorium of Music: Master of Music Studies (Conducting), Master of Music Studies (Opera), Master of Music Studies (Performance), Graduate Diploma in Music (Opera) and Graduate Diploma in Music (Performance) pages E16-E17

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve the proposal from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music to amend the Faculty Resolutions relating to the Master of Music Studies (Conducting), Master of Music Studies (Opera), Master of Music Studies (Performance), Graduate Diploma in Music (Opera) and Graduate Diploma in Music (Performance), with immediate effect, as set out in the reports presented.

10.2.4 Proceedings of the Committee

E2

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Graduate Studies Committee meeting held on 11 February 2009, as set out in the report presented.

11. Report of the Learning and Teaching Committee (Professor Bruce Sutton)

Appendix F

★ 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 11 February 2009** F1-F5
11.2.1 Academic Board Faculty Reviews F1, F3-F5
(1) Faculty of Medicine F1

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the Academic Board Review Phase Three Report for the Faculty of Medicine as presented.

- (2) Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources** F1, F3-F5

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the update report from the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources as presented.

- 11.2.2 Proceedings of the Committee** F1-F2

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Learning and Teaching Committee meeting held on 11 February 2009, as set out in the report presented.

- 12. Report of the Research and Research Training Committee** **Appendix G**
(Professor Jillian Krill)

- ★ **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 4 February 2009** G1-G3
12.2.1 Proposals for new and amended courses
12.2.1.1 Sydney Conservatorium of Music: Doctor of Musical Arts and Master of Music (Performance) G1, G3

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music to amend the Doctor of Musical Arts and Master of Music (Performance), and*
- (2) recommend that Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal, noting there are no subsequent amendments to the Resolutions of Senate; and*
- (3) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Faculty relating to the course, with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

12.2.2 Probationary Candidature

G1-G2

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve a minor change to the Annual Progress Review form with immediate effect, as presented.

12.2.3 Academic Board Phase Three Faculty Review Reports

G2

LTC report, pages F4-F5

(1) Faculty of Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources

G2

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the update report arising from the Phase Three Academic Board Faculty Review of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources.

12.2.4 Proceedings of the Committee

G2

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Research and Research Training Committee meeting held on 4 February 2009, as set out in the report presented.

13. General Business

Supplementary Agenda

13.1 Student Proctorial Panel

13.1.1 Appointment of members for 2009

supplementary agenda

Recommendation

That the Academic Board appoint members of the Student Proctorial Panel for 2009, as set out in the report presented.