



Academic Board Minutes

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Minutes of the meeting of the Academic Board held at 2 pm on Wednesday 16 August 2000 in the Professorial Board Room

There were present: the Chair (Professor L E Cram) presiding, the Deputy Chairs (Professor S K Armitage, Associate Professor R M Arnold and Professors L D Field, J Sachs and G P Steven), the Vice-Chancellor and Principal (Professor G Brown), Dr B Adamson (for Professor H Kendig), Professor C I Benrimoj, Dr A E Brew, Professors A Brewer, B Cass, R Dunn, R Ebied and K Eltis, Associate Professor C B Gillies, Dr D P Godden, Professors M A Harris and B Hesketh, Associate Professors R Hinde and P Jones, Professors J F Kinnear, J Lawler, K Lee, S R Leeder, K Lester and R McPhedran, Associate Professors A Mitchell and G Murray, Miss D Neyle, Professor P Parkinson, Dr P Phibbs, Professors S E Pretty and J Raper, Associate Professor A Reynolds, Ms P Reynolds, Professors G Sherington and P Springborg, Messrs J A Taylor and J S-S Toh, Professor J Webber and Mr R Wilson.

Also present: Secretary of the Academic Board (Dr W Adams).

Present as observers: Dr M Edmond, Professor L M Koder, Professor R Pesman, Associate Professor R Ross, Dr J Sait, Ms C M Sexton and Professor D Siddle.

Present by invitation: Mr D I G Bowan, Ms O Cornelius and Miss K Neveltsen.

In attendance: Miss E R Ring.

★ 1. Apologies

The Board noted that apologies had been received from: Mr T Arthur, Professor L W Burgess, Associate Professor C J Durrant, Dr A Fekete, Ms E Henley, Associate Professor A F Masters, Professors G T Moore and D Nutbeam, Associate Professor E Probyn, Professor B Roufogalis, Dr L Tong and Professor P Wolnizer.

(File 021/0005/00003)

2. Arrangement of agenda

★ 2.1 Starring of items

Members of the Board were invited to star for discussion any unstarred items.

The following additional items were starred: 8.1.1.2, 9.3.2.1 and 10.2.5.

2.2 Adoption of unstarred items

Resolution 152/00

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

3. Minutes of previous meeting

Resolution 153/00

That the Academic Board adopt the minutes of the previous meeting held on 14 June 2000 as a true record.

(File 028/0002/00354)

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

There was no other business arising from the minutes.

☆ 5. Report of the Chair

5.1 Report on Senate matters

5.1.1 Report of the Senate meeting held on 7 August 2000

Resolution 154/00

That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Academic Board on academic matters considered by Senate at its meeting held on 7 August 2000.

5.2 General report

5.2.1 Pilot project: Flexible entry scheme

The Chair spoke to a proposal for the establishment of a one-year, pilot program to investigate more flexible entry schemes and responded in the following terms to issues raised during discussion:

- he would discuss with the Faculty of Law the application of flexible entry to Graduate Law;
- following discussion at the meeting of the Academic Forum, a commitment of paying fees had been removed as a criterion; and
- in terms of equity, the flexible entry scheme opened up more avenues than existed under the current UAI selection system, but the equity aspect of flexible entry would be monitored.

Resolution 155/00

That the Academic Board approve a one-year pilot program to investigate more flexible entry schemes, as set out in the report presented.

(File 2000/3495)

5.2.2 Report to the Academic Board on the Sydney Summer School Program — 2000

Resolution 156/00

That the Academic Board receive and note the report on the Sydney Summer School Program — 2000.

(File 002/0020/00167)

5.2.3 Report on Examination and Assessment Procedures for Semester 1, 2000

During discussion of the draft schedule of examination result processing for Semester 2, 2000, it was observed that some examiners might not submit results electronically; it was suggested that an earlier deadline be prescribed for the return of results in paper form. The Chair said that this matter would be noted.

Resolution 157/00

That the Academic Board note the report on Examination and Assessment Procedures for Semester 1, 2000.

5.2.4 Action taken under delegated authority

Resolution 158/00

That the Academic Board note the Chair's report on action taken under delegated authority in respect of the following matters:

- (1) Proposal from the Faculty of Rural Management for the new degree of Master of Sustainable Agriculture
- (2) Recommendation from the Faculty of Medicine for the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Constitution of the Faculty of Medicine and to Student Membership of the Faculties, College Boards and Boards of Studies
- (3) Request from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music to extend the deadline for diploma and associate diploma courses to meet Australian Qualifications Framework Guidelines and for the re-drafting of Resolutions pursuant to The University of Sydney (Undergraduate Courses) Rule 1999.

(Files 003/0037/0003, 036/0006/00202, 046/0011/00007)

(File 021/0006/00008)

☆ 6. Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal

6.1 Report on Senate matters

6.1.1 Report of the Senate meeting held on 7 August 2000

Resolution 159/00

That the Academic Board note the report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal on matters considered by Senate at its meeting held on 7 August 2000.

6.2 General report

6.2.1 DETYA visit

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the annual DETYA Profiles visit had been held the previous week. It had been a good meeting with positive feedback on the University's plans for 2001.

6.2.2 Research Management Plan

The Vice-Chancellor reported that there were still many unanswered questions about how research infrastructure would be administered following the release of the Federal Government's White Paper, "Knowledge and Innovation: A policy statement on research and research training". Sufficient detail was available, however, to believe that the result would probably be revenue-neutral for the University. Based on a report by the Chief Scientist that might lead to a doubling of ARC funding, there might also be an opportunity for the University to gain more research funds.

It was now timely to revamp the U2000 scheme which had provided the basis for the University achieving research leadership in Australia in research funding. Professor Siddle had been working on a proposal, with support from the Research Committee and other researchers in the University, which had been adopted by the senior executive and would be publicised the following week.

The new research support scheme, to be known as the Sesquicentenary Scheme, would provide approximately \$15 million per annum to research support for the next ten years. Some of that would be a continuation of existing programs, but there would also be contributions for new initiatives. The main features of the Scheme would be as follows:

- Twelve Postdoctoral Fellows would be appointed annually.
- Support of at least \$1 million annually would be available to postgraduate students for conference attendance and other research activities.
- Significant scholarship schemes would be available for international and local students.
- The position of Dean of Graduate Studies would be funded.
- Support would be provided for ARC Special and Key Centres and Cooperative Research Centres.
- \$5 million per annum would be provided in an R & D scheme to support different initiatives in the various disciplines, based on strategic advice from the Pro-Vice-Chancellors (College).
- Funds would be made available to support research establishment by new staff, and rewards would be given to those staff who narrowly failed in their grant applications.

The Scheme would be flexible, taking account of the requirements of the different disciplines and providing maximum flexibility for researchers in their deployment of funds.

The Vice-Chancellor said that the Sesquicentenary Scheme would reassert the University's commitment to being a research-intensive institution as made manifest by the allocation of \$15 million per annum for research support.

Resolution 160/00

That the Academic Board note the Vice-Chancellor's general report.

(File 021/0006/00007)

7. Report of the Academic Forum

7.1 Report of the meeting held on 17 July 2000

7.1.1 Receipt of report

Resolution 161/00

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Academic Forum meeting held on 17 July 2000.

7.1.2 Forum Focus: Educational Access to the University of Sydney

Resolution 162/00

That the Academic Board note the Forum Focus of the Academic Forum meeting held on 17 July 2000.

7.1.3 Proceedings of the Forum

Resolution 163/00

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Academic Forum meeting held on 17 July 2000 relating to the following matters:

- (1) Question time
 - (a) Amendment of the Rules of the Senate: degree of Doctor of Philosophy: length of candidature
- (2) Reports for noting
 - (a) Reports from Senate
 - (b) Report from the Vice-Chancellor
 - (c) Report from the Chair of the Academic Board

(File 028/0039/00002)

8. Reports of Faculties and Boards

8.1 Report of the Faculty of Nursing

8.1.1 Receipt of report

Resolution 164/00

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Faculty of Nursing meeting held on 24 July 2000.

8.1.1.1 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate: Constitution of the Faculty of Nursing

Resolution 165/00

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate approve:

- (i) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Constitution of the Faculty of Nursing, with immediate effect, as set out in the report presented; and

- (ii) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to Student Membership of the Faculties, College Boards and Boards of Studies in respect of the student membership of the Faculty of Nursing, with immediate effect, as set out below:

The Resolutions of the Senate relating to Student Membership of the Faculties, College Boards and Boards of Studies (p 115, Calendar 1999, Volume 1: Statutes and Regulations) are amended with immediate effect as follows. (Text to be deleted is struck through and new text is underlined.)

1.(11) There shall be five student members of the **Faculty of Nursing**, namely –

- (a) ~~four~~ three students enrolled in an undergraduate degree or diploma offered by the Faculty, and
- (b) one student enrolled in a postgraduate coursework degree or diploma offered by the Faculty and one student enrolled in a postgraduate research degree offered by the Faculty.

(File 036/0006/00210, 046/0011/00007)



8.1.1.2 Semester and Vacation Dates 2001

In response to a question, the Dean of the Faculty of Nursing, Professor Lawler, said that the Faculty's request to vary its semester and vacation dates was an annual event. The reasons for the arrangements were understood and accepted by students and staff alike.

Resolution 166/00

That the Academic Board approve the Semester and Vacation Dates for the Faculty of Nursing for the year 2001, as set out in the report presented.

(File 023/0007/00009)

9. Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee



9.1 Oral report of the Chair

The Chair of the Undergraduate Studies Committee, Professor Cram, spoke briefly to the written reports of the meetings held on 20 June and 18 July 2000.

9.2 Report of the meeting held on 20 June 2000

9.2.1 Receipt of report

Resolution 167/00

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee meeting held on 20 June 2000.

9.2.2 New courses/major changes to existing courses

9.2.2.1 Faculty of Engineering: Bachelor of Engineering/ Bachelor of Medical Science

Resolution 168/00

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate:

- (i) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering for the introduction of the new combined course, the Bachelor of Engineering/Bachelor of Medical Science, for introduction in 2001; and
- (ii) amend the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the above course, with effect from 1 January 2001, as set out in the report presented.

(File 003/0018/00019)

9.2.2.2 Faculty of Engineering: Bachelor of Engineering (Electronic Commerce)

Resolution 169/00

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate:

- (i) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering for the introduction of the new specialisation of Electronic Commerce in the Bachelor of Engineering, for introduction in 2001; and
- (ii) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the above course, with effect from 1 January 2001, as set out in the report presented.

(File 003/0018/00020)

9.2.2.3 Faculty of Engineering: Bachelor of Engineering (Electronic Commerce)/Bachelor of Commerce

Resolution 170/00

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate:

- (i) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering for the introduction of the new combined course, the Bachelor of Engineering (Electronic Commerce)/Bachelor of Commerce, for introduction in 2001; and
- (ii) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the above course, with effect from 1 January 2001, as set out in the report presented.

(File 003/0018/00021)

9.2.2.4 Faculty of Science: Bachelor of Science (Molecular Biotechnology)

Resolution 171/00

(1) That the Academic Board recommend that Senate:

- (i) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science for the introduction of the new stream, Molecular Biotechnology, in the Bachelor of Science degree, for introduction in 2001; and

- (ii) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the above course, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Undergraduate Courses) Rule 1999, with effect from 1 January 2001, as set out in the report presented.
 - (2) That the Academic Board:
 - (i) note the revised Resolutions of the Faculty relating to the Molecular Biotechnology stream in the Bachelor of Science degree, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Undergraduate Courses) Rule 1999; and
 - (ii) approve the Faculty requirements relating to units of study, as set out in the report presented.
- (File 003/0021/00031)

9.2.3 Bachelor of Laws: Revised Resolutions of the Senate and Faculty Resolutions

Resolution 172/00

- (1) That the Academic Board recommend that Senate approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Bachelor of Laws, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Undergraduate Courses) Rule 1999, with effect from 1 January 2001, as set out in the report presented.
 - (2) That the Academic Board:
 - (i) note the revised Resolutions of the Faculty relating to the Bachelor of Laws, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Undergraduate Courses) Rule 1999; and
 - (ii) approve the Faculty requirements relating to units of study, the pass degree, combined degrees and the honours degree, as set out in the report presented.
- (File 003/0019/00019)

9.2.4 Proceedings of the Committee

Resolution 173/00

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Undergraduate Studies Committee meeting held on 20 June 2000 relating to the following matters:

- (i) Admissions Committee;
- (ii) Combined degrees.

9.3 Report of the meeting held on 18 July 2000

9.3.1 Receipt of report

Resolution 174/00

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee meeting held on 18 July 2000.

9.3.2 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate



9.3.2.1 Faculty of Nursing (Bachelor of Nursing (Pre-Registration) and (Post-Registration)): Revised Resolutions of the Senate and Faculty Resolutions

Professor Cram reported that the Faculty Resolutions published in the Board agenda were an earlier version that did not incorporate a number of small changes made by the Faculty following discussion at the Undergraduate Studies Committee meeting.

Clarification was provided about two issues:

- in section 4, the barrier to progression to the third year if all first- and second-year units had not been completed was to safeguard both students and the public by ensuring that students did not progress into the clinical environment without adequate preparation; and
- in section 7 relating to the combined Nursing/Arts Faculty Resolutions, the provision in sub-section (b) that candidature in the combined degree course had to be full-time reflected the length of the course and inappropriateness of part-time study.

Resolution 175/00

- (1) That the Academic Board recommend that Senate approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Bachelor of Nursing (Pre-Registration) and (Post-Registration), made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Undergraduate Courses) Rule 1999, with effect from 1 January 2001, as set out in the report presented.
- (2) That the Academic Board:
 - (i) note the revised Resolutions of the Faculty relating to the Bachelor of Nursing (Pre-Registration) and (Post-Registration), made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Undergraduate Courses) Rule 1999; and
 - (ii) approve the Faculty requirements relating to units of study, the pass degrees, combined degrees and honours degrees, as set out in the report presented.

(File 003/0033/00001)

9.3.3 New courses/major changes to existing courses

9.3.3.1 Faculty of Nursing: Bachelor of Nursing/Bachelor of Science

Resolution 176/00

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate:

- (i) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Nursing for the new combined course of Bachelor of Nursing/Bachelor of Science, for introduction in 2001; and

- (ii) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the above course with effect from 1 January 2001, as set out in the report presented.

(File 003/0033/00006)

9.3.3.2 Faculty of Science (Bachelor of Psychology): Revised Resolutions of the Senate and Faculty Resolutions

Resolution 177/00

- (1) That the Academic Board recommend that Senate approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Bachelor of Psychology, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Undergraduate Courses) Rule 1999, with effect from 1 January 2001, as set out in the report presented.
- (2) That the Academic Board:
 - (i) note the revised Resolutions of the Faculty relating to the Bachelor of Psychology, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Undergraduate Courses) Rule 1999; and
 - (ii) approve the Faculty requirements relating to units of study and the pass degree, as set out in the report presented.

(File 2000/3528)

9.3.4 Minor changes to Resolutions of the Senate relating to courses and units of study

Resolution 178/00

That the Academic Board note the minor changes to Resolutions of the Senate made by the Faculties of Agriculture, Economics and Business, Law, Science and Veterinary Science.

(File 046/0011/00003)

9.3.5 Proceedings of the Committee

Resolution 179/00

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Undergraduate Studies Committee meeting held on 18 July 2000 relating to the following matters:

- (1) Monitoring student progress
- (2) Admissions Committee

(File 028/0002/00290)

10. Report of the Graduate Studies Committee



10.1 Oral report of the Chair

The Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee, Professor Steven, spoke briefly to the Committee's written reports and highlighted the recommendation in item 10.2.5 for the approval of the introduction of oral examinations for PhD theses.

10.2 Report of the meeting held on 19 June 2000

10.2.1 Receipt of report

Resolution 180/00

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Graduate Studies Committee meeting held on 19 June 2000.

10.2.2 Proposal for a new subject area

10.2.2.1 Faculty of Arts: Doctor of Philosophy and Master of Philosophy

Resolution 181/00

That the Academic Board:

- (i) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts for the introduction of the new subject area of Media and Communication Studies for the degree of Master of Philosophy, for introduction from 2001; and
- (ii) on behalf of Senate, approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the above course, with effect from 1 January 2001, as set out in the report presented.

(Files 003/0042/00003, 003/0015/00040)

10.2.3 Proposal for a new course

10.2.3.1 Faculty of Rural Management: Master of Sustainable Agriculture

Resolution 182/00

That the Academic Board note that the Chair of the Board, under delegated authority, has recommended that Senate approve:

- (i) the proposal from the Faculty of Rural Management for the introduction in Semester 2, 2000 of the new course, the Master of Sustainable Agriculture; and
- (ii) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the above course, with effect from Semester 2, 2000, as set out in the report presented.

(File 003/0037/00003)

10.2.4 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Academic Board

10.2.4.1 Degree of Doctor of Philosophy

Resolution 183/00

That the Academic Board approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Academic Board relating to the appointment of examiners for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, with immediate effect, as set out in the report presented.

(File 003/0042/00001)



10.2.5 Policy and Procedures for Oral Examinations of PhD Theses at the University of Sydney

The following issues were addressed during discussion:

- The underlying goal of the proposal for the introduction of oral examinations was to expedite and facilitate the examination process by providing a set end date. The proposed provisions for oral examinations were intended to supplement the existing process, not to replace it.
- Concern was expressed that administering oral examinations not use funds that would otherwise support candidatures.

It was noted, however, that while there could be additional costs, the use of technology could facilitate the process and that a reduction in examination time would benefit students as well as the University.

- Reference was made to ANU procedures where examiners were obliged to call for an oral examination if they recommended other than that the degree be awarded or awarded subject to typographical corrections being made. The ANU oral examination became the opportunity for clarifying doubts/further testing but it had to be triggered quickly.

It was observed that the present proposal made provision for an oral examination to be requested by the candidate or head of department but not by the examiners.

It was noted, however, that under existing resolutions the examiners could trigger an oral being held and that the proposal merely provided the procedure for the oral to be held.

- Reference was made to the possibility that an oral examination might not be held if there was consensus between the examiners and it was suggested that an oral could nevertheless clarify issues. It was clarified that the final decision about whether or not the oral was to proceed was made by the dean in consultation with the convenor.

It was also suggested that when an oral examination was held, all examiners should participate rather than just “at least two” as provided in the policy. It was noted that it might not always be possible for all three examiners to participate directly in the oral, there being provision for a “non-present” examiner to submit questions.

- It was noted that the policy did not provide for the situation where the supervisor was an examiner as the Board had previously adopted a recommendation from the Graduate Studies Committee to provide that the supervisor could not be appointed as an examiner.
- It was observed that oral examinations were common practice overseas and that there had been occasions when eminent scholars had declined to act because Sydney did not have provision for oral examinations.
- The proposal for “early orals” was commended as being based on sound academic and intellectual reasons and as benefiting both the student and the University by having the potential to speed up the examination process in the great majority of candidatures.

Resolution 184/00

That the Academic Board:

- (i) endorse the policy and procedures for oral examinations of PhD theses at the University of Sydney, as set out in the report presented; and
- (ii) invite the Graduate Studies Committee to propose amendments to the Resolutions of the Academic Board relating to the Examination Process for the Doctor of Philosophy to give effect to the provisions for oral examinations.

(File 003/0042/00001)

10.2.6 Proceedings of the Committee

Resolution 185/00

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Graduate Studies Committee meeting held on 19 June 2000 relating to the following matters:

- (1) Membership of the Committee
- (2) Report of the PhD Award Sub-Committee
 - (a) Student cases: Doctor of Philosophy
 - (b) Student cases: Doctor of Juridical Studies
- (3) Work in progress
 - (a) Quality in postgraduate coursework programs
 - (b) Draft University of Sydney (Postgraduate Coursework Courses) Rule
 - (c) Working Party on the Exit Questionnaire
 - (d) Working Party on the Accreditation of Supervisors
 - (e) Implementation of the Research Training Scheme
 - (f) Working Party on the first year of candidature for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy

10.3 Report of the meeting held on 24 July 2000

10.3.1 Receipt of report

Resolution 186/00

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Graduate Studies Committee meeting held on 24 July 2000.

10.3.2 The University of Sydney (Postgraduate Coursework Courses) Rule 2000

Resolution 187/00

That the Academic Board:

- (1) endorse in principle the Committee's recommendation that current Resolutions of the Senate relating to individual postgraduate coursework courses in each Faculty be replaced by:
 - (a) a generic set of Rules relating to postgraduate coursework courses ("The University of Sydney (Postgraduate Coursework Courses) Rule"), with effect from 1 January 2001;
 - (b) a Senate Resolution for each postgraduate coursework course, setting out the basic requirements and authorities for the relevant award; and

- (c) Faculty Resolutions which set out detailed requirements for individual postgraduate coursework courses,
as detailed in the document presented;
 - (2) note that faculties will be required to transfer some of their current Senate Resolutions relating to postgraduate courses to Faculty Resolutions and have these approved in accordance with Academic Board policy;
- and
- (3) authorise its Chair to
 - (a) amalgamate the material in the proposed “The University of Sydney (Postgraduate Coursework Courses) Rule” with that in “The University of Sydney (Undergraduate Courses) Rule 1999”;
 - (b) present the re-drafted “The University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule to the Board, for its consideration;
 - (c) prepare a list of Resolutions of the Senate and policies of the Academic Board relating to postgraduate studies that will be rescinded in the light of the new generic courses Rule; and
 - (d) redraft Resolutions of the Senate or policies of the Academic Board in the light of the new generic courses Rule and present these to the Graduate Studies Committee for consideration.

(File 028/0002/00378)

10.3.3 Proposals for new and amended postgraduate courses

Faculty of Health Sciences

10.3.3.1 Master of Health Information Management, Master of Health Science (Health Informatics) and Master of Health Science (Clinical Data Management)

Resolution 188/00

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate approve:

- (a) the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences for the introduction in 2001 of the new courses, the Master of Health Information Management, the Master of Health Science (Health Informatics) and the Master of Health Science (Clinical Data Management); and
- (b) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the above courses, with effect from 1 January 2001, as set out in the report presented.

(Files 2000/2985, 003/0032/00004)

Faculty of Health Sciences

10.3.3.2 Master of Health Science (Neurological Physiotherapy), Master of Health Science (Paediatric Physiotherapy), Master of Health Science (Cardiopulmonary Physiotherapy), Master of Health Science (Physiotherapy), Master of Health Science (Manipulative Physiotherapy), Master of Health Science (Sports Physiotherapy)

Resolution 189/00

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate approve:

- (a) the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences for the introduction in 2001 of the new courses, the Master of Health Science (Cardiopulmonary Physiotherapy), the Master of Health Science (Manipulative Physiotherapy), the Master of Health Science (Neurological Physiotherapy), the Master of Health Science (Paediatric Physiotherapy), the Master of Health Science (Physiotherapy) and the Master of Health Science (Sports Physiotherapy); and
- (b) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the above courses, with effect from 1 January 2001, as set out in the report presented.

(File 003/0032/00004)

Faculty of Science

10.3.3.3 Graduate Certificate in Applied Science (Molecular Biotechnology), Graduate Diploma in Applied Science (Molecular Biotechnology) and Master of Applied Science (Molecular Biotechnology)

Resolution 190/00

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate approve:

- (a) the proposal from the Faculty of Science for the introduction in 2001 of the new courses, the Graduate Certificate in Applied Science (Molecular Biotechnology), the Graduate Diploma in Applied Science (Molecular Biotechnology) and the Master of Applied Science (Molecular Biotechnology); and
- (b) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the above courses, with effect from 1 January 2001, as set out in the report presented.

(Files 003/0021/00026, 003/0021/00027, 003/0021/00028)

10.3.4 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Academic Board: Examination Process for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy

Resolution 191/00

That the Academic Board amend the Resolutions of the Academic Board relating to the Examination Process for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy, with immediate affect, as set out in the report presented.

(File 003/0042/00001)

10.3.5 Proceedings of the Committee

Resolution 192/00

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Graduate Studies Committee meeting held on 24 July 2000 relating to the following matters:

- (1) Membership of the Committee
- (2) Report of the PhD Award Sub-Committee
 - (a) Combined Faculty and University Examination Decisions for 1999
 - (b) Report from faculties
 - (i) Second quarter of 2000
 - (ii) Summary of examination times
 - (c) Student cases considered by the Sub-Committee
 - (i) Doctor of Philosophy
 - (ii) Doctor of Juridical Studies
- (3) Report of the Coursework Sub-Committee
- (4) Work in progress

(File 028/0002/00291)

11. Report of the Teaching and Learning Committee



11.1 Oral report of the Chair

The Chair of the Teaching and Learning Committee, Professor Sachs, reported that the work of the Academic Promotions Policy Working Party was progressing and that a draft policy would shortly be presented to the Academic Staffing Committee. The University Policy on Plagiarism was being revised and would be replaced by a policy on “academic honesty”.

Resolution 193/00

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

11.2 Report of the meeting held on 1 June 2000

11.2.1 Receipt of report

Resolution 194/00

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Teaching and Learning Committee meeting held on 1 June 2000.

11.2.2 Proceedings of the Committee

Resolution 195/00

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Teaching and Learning Committee meeting held on 1 June 2000 relating to the following matters:

- (1) Report of the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Teaching and Learning)
- (2) Australian University Quality Agency
- (3) Reflection on IT in Education Forum and related issues
- (4) Other business

(File 028/0025/00029)

12. Report of the Research Committee



12.1 Oral report of the Chair

The Chair of the Research Committee, Professor Field, had no further report for the meeting.

12.2 Report of the meeting held on 24 May 2000

12.2.1 Receipt of report

Resolution 196/00

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Research Committee meeting held on 24 May 2000.

12.2.2 Proceedings of the Committee

Resolution 197/00

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Research Committee meeting held on 24 May 2000 relating to the following matters:

- (1) Draft Code of Conduct
- (2) Plagiarism
- (3) Severance Pay
- (4) Correspondence
- (5) U2000 Postdoctoral Research Fellowships
- (6) Research and Research Training Management Plan
- (7) Reports
 - (a) Pro Vice Chancellor (Research), Professor David Siddle
 - (b) Dr Nino Quartararo, A/g Director, Research and Scholarships Office
 - (c) Dr Claire Baxter, Director, Business Liaison Office
 - (d) Ms Merrilee Robb, Director, Research Development

12.3 Report of the meeting held on 20 June 2000

12.3.1 Receipt of report

Resolution 198/00

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Research Committee meeting held on 20 June 2000.

12.3.2 Proceedings of the Committee

Resolution 199/00

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Research Committee meeting held on 20 June 2000 relating to the following matters:

- (1) Draft Code of Conduct
- (2) Plagiarism
- (3) Severance Pay
- (4) Correspondence
- (5) Implementation of Research Training Scheme
- (7) Reports
 - (a) Pro Vice Chancellor (Research), Professor David Siddle
 - (b) Dr Nino Quartararo, A/g Director, Research and Scholarships Office
 - (c) Dr Claire Baxter, Director, Business Liaison Office
- (8) Other Business

(File 028/0002/00173)

13. Report of the Library Committee



13.1 Oral report of the Chair

The Chair of the Library Committee, Professor Cram, had no further report for the meeting.

13.2 Receipt of report

Resolution 200/00

That the Academic Board note that the Library Committee has not met since its last report to the Board.

(File 028/0002/00321)

14. Report of the Academic Staffing Committee



14.1 Oral report of the Chair

The Chair of the Academic Staffing Committee, Associate Professor Arnold, spoke briefly to the written reports of the Committee meetings held on 21 June and 26 July 2000.

14.2 Report of the meeting held on 21 June 2000

14.2.1 Receipt of report

Resolution 201/00

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Academic Staffing Committee meeting held on 21 June 2000.

14.2.2 Proceedings of the Committee

Resolution 202/00

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Academic Staffing Committee meeting held on 21 June 2000 relating to the following matters:

- (1) Clinical Titles
- (2) Report of the Chair

14.3 Report of the meeting held on 26 July 2000

14.3.1 Receipt of report

Resolution 203/00

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Academic Staffing Committee meeting held on 26 July 2000.

14.3.2 The Academic Promotion Appeals Policy

Resolution 204/00

That the Academic Board endorse and recommend to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Planning and Resources) for approval amendments

to the Academic Promotion Appeal Policy, as set out in the report presented.

(File 129/0001/00024)

14.3.3 Proceedings of the Committee

Resolution 205/00

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Academic Staffing Committee meeting held on 26 July 2000 relating to the following matters:

- (1) New Committee Member
- (2) Procedure for Award of Title for Clinical Associate Professor
- (3) Academic Promotions Policy
- (4) Report of the Pro-Vice Chancellor (Employee Relations)
- (5) Report of the Chair

14.3.4 Alternative Chair of the Academic Staffing Committee

Resolution 206/00

That the Academic Board approve Professor Sue Armitage as the Alternative Chair of the Academic Staffing Committee for the period to 31 December 2000.

(File 028/0002/00336)

(File 028/0002/00325)

15. General Business

15.1 Academic Board meeting schedule – 2001

Resolution 207/00

That the Academic Board adopt the draft meeting schedule for the year 2001 as set out in the report presented.

(File 021/0004/00004)

15.2 Delegation of authority to the Chair

Resolution 208/00

That the Academic Board authorise the Chair of the Board to act on its behalf in any urgent matter that may arise following the Board meeting on 16 August 2000 and that cannot await the meeting of the Board on 11 October 2000.

(File 033/0001/00019)

15.3 Report on the Promotion of Academic Staff from Level A to Level B in 2000

Resolution 209/00

That the Academic Board note the report on the promotion of academic staff from Level A to Level B in 2000.

(File 028/0002/00209)

15.4 Academic Board elections 2000

Resolution 210/00

That the Academic Board note the key dates for Academic board elections to be held later in 2000 for members in the following categories:

- (a) One undergraduate and one postgraduate student member of the Academic Board
- (b) Chair of the Academic Board
- (c) Five Deputy Chairs of the Academic Board
- (d) Three professorial members of the Academic Board
- (e) Three members of the Academic Board who are heads of department
- (f) Three non-professorial members of the Academic Board

(File 035/0017/00007)

15.5 Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal on proctorial matters

Resolution 211/00

That the Academic Board note the tabled report on proctorial matters.

(Files 021/0006/00010, 041/0015/00223, 041/0015/00234,
041/0015/00235)

The meeting closed at 3 pm.

Signed as a correct record

Chair

Date