



Academic Board Agenda

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SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

for the meeting on Wednesday 12 September 2001

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★ 1. Apologies Additional apologies have been received from: Professor C Adam, Professor S Chapman, Dr D P Godden, Professor N Hunt, Ms P Kamvounias, Professor J Kinnear, Professor S R Leeder, Associate Professor W M C Maxwell, Miss D A Neyle, Professor P Parkinson, Professor R Pesman, Professor P Ramsden, Associate Professor R T Ross, Professor M Vitale and Mr R Wilson.	
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<i>Recommendation</i> That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Academic Board on academic matters considered by Senate at its meeting on 3 September 2001, as set out in the report presented.	
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<i>Recommendation</i> That the Academic Board: (1) note the report of the Chair relating to the election of a deputy chair to fill a casual vacancy; and (2) retain a casual vacancy in the category of deputy chairs, pending consideration of the recommendations arising from the Review of the Academic Board and the Academic Forum.	
6. Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal	
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<i>Recommendation</i>	

That the Academic Board note the report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal on matters considered by Senate at its meeting on 3 September 2001, as set out in the report presented.

13. General Business

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

Recommendation

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

AGENDA ITEM 5 Report of the Chair

5.1 Report on Senate matters

5.1.1 Report of the Senate meeting held on 3 September 2001

Senate, at its meeting on 3 September 2001, on the report of the Academic Board:

- (1) approved the introduction in 2002 of the new courses, the Doctor of Clinical Psychology/Master of Science and the Doctor of Clinical Psychology/Doctor of Philosophy, and amended related Resolutions of the Senate as recommended in the report.
- (2) approved the introduction in 2002 of the new course, the Graduate Certificate in Greenhouse Gas Mitigation, and amended related Resolutions of the Senate as recommended in the report.
- (3) noted the Chair's report on:
 - (a) Communication of information from the Academic Board
 - (b) Admission Qualifications: APIEL English Test
 - (c) Admission Qualifications: Recognition of BTEC Higher National Diploma
 - (d) Faculty of Medicine: Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery
 - (e) Guidelines for Good Practice in Teaching and Learning
 - (f) Vice-Chancellor's Awards for Excellence in Research Higher Degree Supervision
 - (g) Vice-Chancellor's Awards for Outstanding Teaching 2001

5.2 General Report

5.2.7 Election of a deputy chair to fill a casual vacancy

Rule 42(6) of the Academic Governance Rules relating to the Academic Board (as amended) provide that if a casual vacancy occurs in the office of a Deputy Chair, then, subject to Rule 5(2) (*Gender composition*), the Academic Board may elect another member of the Academic Board to hold office for the rest of the term of that member's predecessor.

At its meeting of 15 August 2001, the Academic Board noted a schedule of dates for the election of a deputy chair to fill a casual vacancy. At the close of nominations on Wednesday, 5 September 2001 no nominations were received.

Therefore I **recommend** that due to the Review of the Academic Board and the Academic Forum, no further action be taken to fill the casual vacancy until such time as the recommendations arising from the Review have been adopted.

Recommendation

That the Academic Board retain a casual vacancy in the category of deputy chairs, pending consideration of the recommendations arising from the Review of the Academic Board and the Academic Forum.

AGENDA ITEM 6

Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal

6.1 Report on Senate matters

6.1.1 Report of the Senate meeting held on 3 September 2001

Senate, at its meeting held on 3 September 2001:

- (1) noted the report that the University would play Eastwood in the Rugby Union Grand Final on 8 September 2001.
- (2) noted the report on the successful Courses and Careers Day held on 25 August 2001.
- (3) admitted the following retired members of the academic staff to the recommended degrees *ad eundem gradum*:

Mrs M Churchward	Master of Nursing
Associate Professor D Davey	Master of Science in Medicine
Ms M Dean	Master of Nursing
Dr E Hettiaratchi	Master of Applied Science
Mrs E Kendall	Master of Nursing
Emeritus Professor J R Lawrence	Master of Medicine
Associate Professor C D Shorey	Master of Science in Medicine
Professor C Bridges-Webb	Master of Medicine
- (4) approved the request that the premises at 92-96 Parramatta Road be named the "Medical Foundation" building.
- (5) noted the report that the General Manager of St John's College had approached the University with plans for a revamp of the premises owned by the College in Missenden Road and the construction of a number of parking spaces to the rear of that building on its border with the Hospital property.
- (6) noted the report on the University's success in its bids for support under the Major National Research Facilities scheme established as part of the Prime Minister's *Backing Australia's Ability* initiative.
- (7) noted the report that the University and its associated research units would play a major role in the State Government's \$68M investment in biotechnology under the BioFirst scheme, announced by the Premier during the previous week.
- (8) noted the Vice-Chancellor's report on matters raised by Dr Copeman.
- (9) noted the Vice-Chancellor's response to the questions which he had taken on notice during his appearance before the Senate Enquiry into Higher Education.
- (10) noted a report on Development and External Affairs.
- (11) noted a report on an item in *Campus Review*.
- (12) noted a tabled progress report on the review of the role of Chancellor at the University of Sydney.
- (13) noted the report that there would be an election of Chancellor at the Senate meeting to be held on 2 October 2001 to fill a casual vacancy for the balance of the previous Chancellor's term of office, to conclude on 31 May 2003, with nominations from Fellows of Senate due by 12 September 2001.
- (14) asked the Vice-Chancellor to make a statement on behalf of Senate, calling on the Federal Government, the Federal Opposition and the nation to put compassion ahead of expediency in dealings with asylum seekers.
- (15) noted a detailed report from the Dean of the Faculty of Arts read by the Chair of the Academic Board about flexible teaching initiatives.
- (16) noted a report on items discussed at a meeting of the Senate/SUPRA Liaison Committee relating to: Postgraduate Student Course Experience Questionnaire, Dean of Graduate Studies, 2000-2001 SUPRA Annual Report and the Academic Forum on Student Representation.