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## Academic Board Agenda

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### SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA for the meeting on Wednesday 4 October 2006

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- ★ 1. **Apologies**  
Apologies have been received from: Professors A Boyd, P Gay, D Grant, G Murray, D Nutbeam, P Parkinson, B Roufogalis and K Walker, Associate Professors A Bashford, B Buckley and S West, Drs L Chappell, M Collier, J Cox and T Gerzina and Ms J Henderson and Mr C Ritchie.
- ★ 5. **Report of the Chair**  
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- Recommendation*  
*That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair on academic matters considered by Senate at its meeting held on 18 September 2006, as set out in the report presented.*
- 5.3 **General Report**  
5.1.4 **Academic Board Faculty Reviews** 3, separate attachment
- Recommendation*  
*That the Academic Board note the report on the trial of the data collection template for the next round of Academic Board Faculty reviews, as set out in the report presented.*
- ★ 6. **Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal**  
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- Recommendation*  
*That the Academic Board note the report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal on matters considered by Senate at its meeting held on 18 September 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

**13. Report of the Research Committee**  
(Associate Professor Robyn Overall)

★ **13.1 Oral report of the Chair**

***Recommendation***

*That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Research Committee.*

**13.2 Report of the meeting held on 20 September 2006**

This report will be included in the agenda for the November meeting of the Academic Board.

**15 General Business**

**15.1 Membership of the Central Promotions Committees 2006**

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***Recommendation***

*That the Academic Board approve amendments to the membership of the Central Promotions Committees for 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

## **AGENDA ITEM 5**

### **Report of the Chair**

#### **5.1 Report on Senate Matters**

##### **5.1.1 Report of the Senate meeting held on 18 September 2006**

Senate, at its meeting on 18 September 2006, on the report of the Academic Board meeting held on 23 August 2006:

- (1) approved (a) the rescission of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Master, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate of Design Science; Master, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate of Urban Design; Master of Urban Design (Urban Design and Planning); Master of Urban and Regional Planning in the Faculty of Architecture, and (b) the adoption of new Resolutions of the Senate relating to this courses, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000, with effect from 1 January 2007, as set out in the report presented.
- (2) approved (a) the rescission of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Doctor of Public Health; Master, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate of Biostatistics; Master, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate of Health Policy; Master, Graduate Diploma of International Public Health; Master, Graduate Diploma of Public Health; Master, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate of Medical Education; Master, Graduate Diploma of Surgery; Graduate Diploma in Indigenous Health Promotion in the Faculty of Medicine, and (b) the adoption of new Resolutions of the Senate relating to this courses, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000, with effect from 1 January 2007, as set out in the report presented.
- (3) noted the report on the following:
  - (a) Minor course amendments
  - (b) Australian Certificate of Education
  - (c) Student Research Experience Questionnaire (SREQ) Results
  - (d) Report of the Chair of the Academic Board.

#### ***Recommendation***

*That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair on academic matters considered by Senate at its meeting held on 18 September 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

#### **5.3 General Report**

##### **5.3.4 Academic Board Faculty Reviews**

*separate attachment*

At its meeting of 22 February 2006 the Academic Board approved a data collection form for use in the next round of Academic Board Faculty reviews. This form is currently being trialled by a number of faculties. The results from the trial by the Faculty of Engineering has been received and was distributed with the agenda attachment.

#### ***Recommendation***

*That the Academic Board note the report on the trial of the data collection template for the next round of Academic Board Faculty reviews, as set out in the report presented.*

## 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 18 September 2006

Senate, at its meeting held on 18 September 2006:

- (1) subject to the amendment noted at the meeting and any other minor adjustments, approved:
  - (a) the proposed consequential amendments to the following Rules and Resolutions, arising from the realignment of faculties, set out in the report presented, with the exception of part 6 of the *University of Sydney (Academic Governance) Rule* which had been withdrawn:
    - *University of Sydney (Academic Governance) Rule* 2003 (as amended)
    - *University of Sydney (Student Proctorial Panel) Rule* 2003
    - Resolutions of the Senate: Chair Appointments Committee
    - Resolutions of the Senate: Faculties and College Boards
    - Resolutions of the Senate: Appointment of a Dean, Director or College Principal
    - Resolutions of the Senate: Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Pro-Vice-Chancellor: Selection Committee
  - (b) the proposed consequential amendments to the Delegations of Authority – Administrative Functions, arising from the realignment of faculties, set out in the report presented; and
  - (c) the proposed alignment of the Faculties of Engineering and Architecture through the establishment of the ‘Faculties of Engineering and Architecture’.
- (2) approved the membership of the Selection Committee for the position of Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research) as set out in the report presented.
- (3) approved the proposed amendments to clauses 4 and 6 of the Delegations of Authority – Administrative Functions, set out in the report presented, subject to any refinements to be brought back to the next meeting.
- (4) resolved in respect of SUPRA and the SRC:
  - (a) to pass the resolution for reserve powers, in accordance with the replacement page and as amended at the meeting, in the report presented; and
  - (b) to approve the proposed constitutional amendments, in accordance with the report presented.
- (5) approved the proposed amendment to the *University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule* 1999, by the insertion of a new sub-clause 11(3), which provided for the Standing Committee of Convocation to be referred to as The University of Sydney Alumni Council, to more accurately represent its new role and its relationship to world-wide Alumni Associations.
- (6) approved the schedule of Senate meetings for 2007 set out on the following Senate website:  
[http://sydney.edu.au/senate/dates\\_senate\\_schedule.shtml](http://sydney.edu.au/senate/dates_senate_schedule.shtml)
- (7) resolved, following the recent decision by the NSW Administrative Decisions Tribunal in the matter between SUPRA & Ors v the NSW Minister for Transport & Ors and the proposed amendment to the Transport Administration Act to allow the NSW Government to the Senate, to request the Registrar to write to the NSW Minister for

Transport presenting in a factual way the negative effects on NSW and the University of Sydney in attracting international students of the Government's position on travel concessions for international students.

- (8) noted and thanked Professors Crossley and Nutbeam for the presentation on research.
- (9) noted the report on Sydney Uni Live! held on 26 August 2006, including a report by Kate Walker, the Events and Schools Liaison Manager of the Marketing and Student Recruitment Unit.
- (10) noted the international report.
- (11) noted the report on University Relations.
- (12) noted the Foundations Policy set out in the report presented which had been approved by the Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Community).
- (13) noted that the University of Sydney Women's Third Grade Soccer Team won the Grand Final of the NWSWS Association Competition to complement their victory in the regular season competition, and congratulated the team for its achievements.
- (14) noted that Sydney University's Rugby Union first and reserve grade teams won the Grand Final and congratulated both these teams and the club for their achievements.
- (15) deferred consideration of a new Rule, the *University of Sydney (Student Appeals against Academic Decisions) Rule 2006* to the next meeting. to enable further consultation.

**Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board note the report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal on matters considered by Senate at its meeting held on 18 September 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

## **AGENDA ITEM 15 General Business**

### **15.1 Membership of the Central Promotions Committees 2006**

It is recommended that the Academic Board approve amendments to the membership of the Level E Central Promotions Committees for 2006 (new appointments are underlined):

#### **Professor**

Professor Gavin Brown, Vice-Chancellor (Chair)  
Professor Don Nutbeam (Provost and Deputy Vice-Chancellor)  
Professor Bruce Sutton (Chair, Academic Board)  
Professor John E Loxton (DVC (Academic) Macquarie University)  
Professor Les Copeland (Dean, Faculty of Agriculture)  
Professor Greg Hancock (Dean, Faculty of Engineering)  
Professor Gwynnyth Llewellyn (Dean, Faculty of Health Sciences)  
Professor Phillip Boyce (Psychological Medicine)  
Professor Jennie Brand-Miller (Molecular and Microbial Biosciences)  
Professor Peter Goodyear (Education and Social Work)

*Meeting: 13 November 2006*

#### **Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board approve amendments to the membership of the Central Promotions Committees for 2006, as set out in the report presented.*