



The University of Sydney

Senate agenda, 5 November 2007

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NOTICE OF MEETING

An ordinary meeting of the Senate of the University will be held at **5.30pm** on **Monday 5 November 2007** in the Senate Room.

The agenda for the meeting is set out overleaf.

Confidential items, for Fellows of Senate and Senior Officers only, are dealt with as the first items on the agenda. Members of the public are invited to be present for all other non-confidential items.

It is estimated that the confidential session will last for one hour.

The Senate Room is in the Quadrangle on the Camperdown Campus, above the Ante Room.

★ This symbol indicates items which have been starred for discussion at the meeting.

Dr W G Adams
Registrar

AGENDA

IN OPEN SESSION:

Highlighted Items

- ☆ 3. **Focus topic: Research outcomes and strategy**
(Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research), Professor Merlin Crossley; estimated time allocation: 30 minutes)
- Recommendation**
That Senate note the presentation.
- ☆ 4. **Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal** **Appendix C**
- 4.1 **Update for Senate's information** C1
(Estimated time allocation: 5 minutes)
- Recommendation**
That Senate note the update.
- For discussion**
- 4.2 **MOU with ANSTO** C1
- Recommendation**
For discussion
- 4.3 **Awards Ad Eundem Gradum** C2
- Recommendation**
That Senate
- (i) admit the following retired member of the Academic Staff to the degree of Master of Science ad eundem gradum:
- Associate Professor Robert Batterham, BAgEc UNE, MSc, PhD Illinois
- (ii) admit the following retired members of the Academic Staff to the degree of Master of Arts ad eundem gradum:
- Professor Gary Trompf, BA (Hons) Melb, DipEd (Hons) Melb, MA Monash, MA Oxford, PhD ANU
 - Dr Anthony Miller, BA UWA, MA Cambridge, PhD Harvard
 - Dr Simon Petch, MA Oxford, PhD Princeton
 - Emeritus Professor Bettina Cass AO, BA, PhD UNSW, FASSA
 - Emeritus Professor J Richard Green, BA, PhD London
- For noting**
- 4.4 **Academic Freedom** C3, 11-12
- Recommendation**
That Senate note the report.
- 4.5 **Capital Development Pool Funding – Western Clinical School** C3
- Recommendation**
That Senate note the report.

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| 4.6 | Callan Park Consultation Process | C3 |
| | <i>Recommendation</i>
That Senate note the report. | |
| 4.7 | ARC and NH&MRC Results | C4, 13-18 |
| | <i>Recommendation</i>
That Senate note the report. | |
| 4.8 | 2008 Learning and Teaching Performance Fund Outcomes | C4 |
| | <i>Recommendation</i>
That Senate note the report. | |
| 4.9 | Staff Honours | C5 |
| | <i>Recommendation</i>
That Senate note the report. | |
| 4.10 | International Visits | C5, 19-25 |
| | <i>Recommendation</i>
That Senate note the report. | |
| 4.12 | International | C6 |
| | <i>Recommendation</i>
That Senate note the report. | |
| 4.13 | Community | C7 |
| | <i>Recommendation</i>
That Senate note the report. | |

Standard items

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| 5. | Senate business | Appendix D |
| | <i>For action</i> | |
| 5.1 | Apologies for absence | D1 |
| | <i>Recommendation</i>
That Senate accept apologies for absence from this meeting. | |
| 5.2 | Minutes of the Senate meeting held on 17 September 2007 | D1, 3-14 |
| | <i>Recommendation</i>
That Senate confirm the minutes of the Senate meeting held in open session on 17 September 2007 as a true and correct record. | |
| 5.3 | Business arising out of the minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda | |

5.4 Graduation schedule, 2008

D1, 15

Recommendation

That Senate

- (i) *note the schedule of dates for the 2008 graduation ceremonies approved by the Registrar under delegated authority;*
- (ii) *give authority to the Chancellor, the Deputy Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor and Principal, the Chair of the Academic Board and the Pro-Chancellors to admit to the appropriate degree or degrees, and to award the appropriate diploma or diplomas at these ceremonies to, those who have qualified for degrees and diplomas concerned and whose names appear in the printed lists contained in the official programs; and*
- (iii) *give authority to the Registrar to change the disciplines to be presented at any ceremony or the scheduled time of any ceremony, after appropriate consultation with the faculties, colleges and boards of studies concerned and after appropriate notice to the graduands concerned.*

5.5 Permission to generate a digital copy of the University Common Seal for the printing of testamurs

D1

Recommendation

That Senate approve the University Common Seal being generated digitally thereby enabling the Seal to be applied during the printing of testamurs as opposed to being applied manually.

For noting

★ **5.6 Fellows of Senate retiring on 30 November 2007**
(Chancellor)

D2, 16

Recommendation

That Senate record its formal appreciation for and note in detail the contribution made by retiring Fellows of Senate Ms Rose Jackson and Dr Norman W Chan.

5.7 Fellow of Senate elected by and from the undergraduate students of the University

D2, 17

Recommendation

That Senate note the report and congratulate Mr Angus McFarland on his election as a Fellow of Senate by and from the undergraduate students, to hold office from 1 December 2007 to 30 November 2008.

5.8 Fellow of Senate elected by and from the postgraduate students of the University

D2, 18

Recommendation

That Senate note the report and congratulate Ms Jenny Leong on her election as a Fellow of Senate by and from the postgraduate students, to hold office from 1 December 2007 to 30 November 2008.

5.9 Induction program for Fellows of Senate

D2, 19-21

Recommendation

That Senate note the updated induction program for Fellows of Senate.

5.10 Next meeting

D2

Recommendation

That Senate note that the next Senate meeting will be held at 5.00pm on 3 December 2007 in the Senate Room, Quadrangle.

6. Report of the Academic Board, 10 October 2007

Appendix E

(Chair: Professor Bruce Sutton)

For action

6.1 Academic Honesty at the University of Sydney

E1

Recommendation

That Senate note the Academic Board resolution.

6.2 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate

6.2.1 Faculty of Arts: Master of Peace and Conflict Studies, Graduate Diploma in Peace and Conflict Studies, Graduate Certificate in Peace and Conflict Studies

E1

Recommendation

That Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the Master of Peace and Conflict Studies, Graduate Diploma in Peace and Conflict Studies and Graduate Certificate in Peace and Conflict Studies, with effect from 1 January 2008.

6.2.2 Faculty of Economics and Business: Master of Commerce/Master of Professional Accounting

E2, 4-6

Recommendation

That Senate:

- (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Economics and Business to introduce the combined Master of Commerce/Master of Professional Accounting degree;*
- (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Economics and Business, the Master of Commerce and the Master of Professional Accounting; and*
- (c) *approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the course*

with effect from 1 January 2008, as set out on pages E4-6 of the report presented.

6.2.3 Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery

(1) Bachelor of Nursing (Indigenous Australian Health)

E2, 7-8

Recommendation

That Senate:

- (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery to delete the Bachelor of Nursing (Indigenous Australian Health); and*
 - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the list of degrees, diplomas and certificates in the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, and the rescission of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the course*
- with effect from 1 January 2008, as set out on pages E7-8 of the report presented.*

(2) Master of Philosophy (Nursing)

E2, 9-10

Recommendation

That Senate:

- (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery to amend the Master of Philosophy (Nursing); and*
- (b) *approve the rescission of the existing Resolutions of Senate relating to the course and the insertion of new Resolutions of Senate*

with effect from 1 January 2008, as set out on pages E9-10 of the report presented.

For noting

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| 6.3 | Minor course amendments | E3 |
| 6.4 | Amendments to policies | E3 |
| 6.5 | Report of the Chair of the Academic Board | E3 |

Recommendation

That Senate note items 6.3 to 6.5 of the report of the Academic Board.

7. **Report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee, 31 October 2007** **Appendix F**
(Chair: Mr John McCarthy) **to be forwarded**
under separate cover

For noting

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| 7.1 | Apologies |
| 7.2 | Report to Senate of the previous meeting of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee |
| 7.3 | Business arising from the report |
| 7.4 | SU Sport report |
| 7.5 | 2008 Meeting schedule |

Recommendation

That Senate note the report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee.

8. **Report of the Senate/Student Associations Liaison Committee, 23 October 2007** **Appendix G**
(Chair: The Chancellor) **to be forwarded**
under separate cover

For noting

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| 8.1 | Welcome and apologies | G1 |
| 8.2 | Senate/Student Associations Liaison Committee | G1 |
| 8.3 | Exclusions appeal hearings and the Student Appeals Body | G1 |
| 8.4 | Students at Risk and Academic Mentoring | G1 |
| 8.5 | Students at Risk policy | G1 |
| 8.6 | Indigenous signage | G2 |
| 8.7 | Academic freedom | G2 |
| 8.8 | 2008 Meetings | G3 |
| 8.9 | Any other business | G3 |
| 8.9.1 | Issues raised by USU | |

Recommendation

That Senate note the report of the Senate/Student Associations Liaison Committee.

9. **General business** **Appendix H**

For action

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| 9.1 | Chairs, Student Proctorial Boards | H1 |
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Recommendation

That Senate appoint the Hon Mr Trevor Morling QC and the Hon Mahla Pearlman AM as Chairs of the University's Student Proctorial Boards, the term to conclude on 31 March 2008.

9.2 Report of the University of Sydney Union H1, 4-5

Recommendation

That Senate approve changes to the USU Constitution which alter the membership structure to include a new category of Membership, "Associate Members", as recommended at a Special General Meeting of the University of Sydney Union.

9.3 Report of the Board of the Warren Centre for Advanced Engineering H2

Recommendation

That Senate confirm the following appointments:

Appointment of Honorary Life Governor:

*Peter North AM, Retiring Chairman, The Warren Centre
term commencing 7 December 2007*

Reappointment of Director:

*Mr Michael Kirby
further two year term from 5 December 2007*

Appointment of Governors:

*Carlos Broens, Chief Executive Officer, Broens Industries Pty Ltd, with
immediate effect.*

*Richard Marshall, Director, Innovation Engineering, Holden, with immediate
effect.*

*Grant Dow, Managing Director & CEO, Plantic Technologies Ltd,
with immediate effect.*

*Hutch Ranck, Managing Director, Du Pont (Australia) Ltd, with immediate
effect.*

For noting

9.4 Notice of appointments by Senate on 3 December 2007 H2

- International House Council
- Sydney University Sport General Committee/ Management Committee
- The University of Sydney Union Board of Directors

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

9.5 Graduation ceremonies (November/December 2007) H3, 6

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

☆ **10. Question time**

(Estimated time allocation: 15 minutes)

Appendix I

11.1 Question on notice from Dr R Fitzsimons, deferred from the September meeting

☆ **11. Any other business**