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## Senate minutes summary, 1 November 2004

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At the meeting on 1 November 2004:

★ 1. **Addition or deletion of confidential items**

★ 2. **Starring**

**Resolution 333/04**

Senate resolved as recommended with respect to all unstarred items.

★ 3. **Focus topic: The Australian Institutional Framework**

**Resolution 334/04**

Senate noted and thanked the Vice-Chancellor for the presentation on the Australian Institutional Framework.

★ 4. **Senate and general business (*priority items*)**

**4.1 Constitution of the Finance Committee**

**Resolution 335/04**

Senate resolved

- (i) that three of the six elected positions be filled by election, i.e. Chair and two Fellows of Senate (under current provisions governing election to Senate Committees which include provision for self-nomination);
- (ii) that the other three positions be filled by Fellows appointed by Senate on the nomination of the Chair of the Finance Committee, this to be done at the Senate meeting next following the election of a Chair and the other two positions, and after the Chair has consulted with Fellows of Senate, having regard to the balance of expertise on the Committee;
- (iii) that, pending the appointment by Senate of the three other positions referred to in (ii) above, these three positions would be filled by the most senior of those still serving on the Committee, on the basis of length of service as Fellows of Senate;
- (iv) that the two external members appointed by Senate every two years be appointed on the nomination of the Finance Committee;
- (v) that the revised constitution be reviewed by Senate after two years.

★ 5. **Report of the Vice-Chancellor (*priority items*)**

**5.1 Restructuring of Nursing and Rural Management**

**Resolution 336/04**

Senate

- (i) approved the terms of settlement between the University of Sydney and the NTEU in relation to proposals affecting Orange campus and the Faculty of Nursing; and
- (ii) approved the terms of settlement between the University of Sydney and the CPSU in relation to proposals affecting Orange campus and the Faculty of Nursing; and
- (iii) approved the terms of agreement between the University of Sydney and Charles Sturt University in relation to proposals affecting Orange campus; and
- (iv) endorsed the University's continued consultations and negotiations to ensure that it is able to accept the additional 1,422 places allocated by the Minister in July on the understanding that the Orange campus will be transferred to

the Charles Sturt University and responsibility for undergraduate nursing will be distributed among CSU, UTS and ACU.

★ **6. Report of the Finance Committee, 14 October 2004 (priority items)**

**6.1 Preliminary 2005 Budget Overview**

**Resolution 337/04**

Senate adopted the Preliminary 2005 Budget Overview.

**7. Senate business (standard items)**

**7.1 Leave of absence**

**Resolution 338/04**

Senate

- (i) granted leave of absence for this meeting to Dr R Fitzsimons and Ms K Wilson as requested,
- (ii) noted that leave of absence for this meeting had been granted to Mr D Hoare on 5 October 2004; and
- (iii) noted that the Hon Henry Tsang had given his apologies for this meeting.

**7.2 Minutes of the previous Senate meeting, 5 October 2004**

**Resolution 339/04**

Senate confirmed the minutes of the Senate meeting held on 5 October 2004 as a true and correct record.

**7.3 Business arising out of the minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda**

**7.4 Election of one Fellow by and from the undergraduate students**

**Resolution 340/04**

Senate noted the report and congratulated Ms Joanna Haylen on her re-election as a Fellow of Senate by and from the undergraduate students, to hold office from 1 December 2004 to 30 November 2005.

**7.5 Audit and Risk Management Committee: Membership**

**Resolution 341/04**

Senate appointed members of the Audit and Risk Management Committee for a two year term of office from 1 December 2004 to 30 November 2006, as follows:

- The Chair of the Committee appointed by Senate on the nomination of the Chancellor after consultation with the Chair of the Finance Committee (and should not be a member of University of Sydney staff or student):  
Mr R Bruce Corlett
- Not less than one or more than three Fellows of Senate appointed by Senate after consultation by the Chair of the Committee with the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Chair of the Finance Committee (none of whom should be members of University of Sydney staff or students):  
Mr Bohdan Bilinsky  
Mr Alan Cameron  
Mrs Margaret Varady
- One or two co-opted external members, with appropriate professional expertise and experience, appointed by Senate after consultation by the Chair of the Committee with the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Chair of the Finance Committee:  
Mr Paul Davis  
Mr David W Smithers

**7.6 Senate/SRC Liaison Committee: Membership**

**Resolution 342/04**

Senate re-appointed Ms J Haylen to membership of the Senate/SRC Liaison Committee from 1 December 2004 to 30 November 2005.

★ **7.7 Retiring Fellow of Senate**

**Resolution 343/04**

Senate recorded its formal appreciation for and to note in detail the contribution made by retiring Fellow of Senate, Dr Matthew Hall.

**7.8 Review of Senate's performance**

**Resolution 344/04**

Senate approved the appointment of Senior Deputy President Robert Cartwright to conduct reviews of Senate's performance and thanked The Hon Terry Ludeke for his valued service in conducting past reviews.

**7.9 Senate representation**

**Resolution 345/04**

Senate noted the report on Senate representation during October 2004.

**7.10 Dinner after the November Senate meeting**

**Resolution 346/04**

Senate noted the report on the dinner after the November Senate meeting.

**7.11 Notice of appointments by Senate on 6 December 2004**

- **International House Council**
- **Sydney University Sport General Committee/ Management Committee**
- **The University of Sydney Union Board of Directors**
- **Women's College Council**

**Resolution 347/04**

Senate noted the report giving notice of appointments to the above organisations by Senate on 6 December 2004.

**7.12 Honorary award acceptances**

**Resolution 348/04**

Senate noted the report on those who had accepted Senate's invitation to receive an honorary degree/honorary fellowship in 2005.

**7.13 Next meeting**

**Resolution 349/04**

Senate noted that the Senate meeting to be held at 5.00pm on 6 December 2004 in the Senate Room would be preceded by an afternoon tea at 4.35pm for the presentation of the 2004 Wentworth Medal to the winner by the Chancellor.

**8. Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal (*standard items*)**

★ **8.1 Update for Senate's information**

**8.1.1 Rhodes Scholar**

**Resolution 350/04**

Senate resolved to express its delight that Imre Hunyor was the winner of the 2005 NSW Rhodes Scholarship.

### 8.1.2 Voluntary Student Unionism

#### Resolution 351/04

Noting previous resolutions of Senate supporting universal membership of the University's student organisations, Senate resolved

- (i) to express strong support for doing all that it could to bring about the continuation of universal membership of such student organisations and to make known its views, including the benefits of such membership to the University, to all students and to the community, wherever such opportunities arose;
- (ii) to request the Vice-Chancellor to provide Senate with a succinct statement of arguments for universal membership of the University's three major student organisations; and
- (iii) to explore through the Vice-Chancellor the best means of giving voice to a campaign against VSU.

### 8.1.3 New York

#### Resolution 352/04

Senate noted the report that the Vice-Chancellor had been invited, on behalf of the United Nations Secretary-General, Mr Kofi Annan, to present a seminar in New York.

## 8.2 Law Extension Committee

#### Resolution 353/04

Noting that the Chancellor, Deputy Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Principal and Dean, Faculty of Law were members *ex-officio*, Senate approved the following appointments to the Law Extension Committee for a period of two years from 1 December 2004:

#### Three members of the Faculty of Law appointed by Senate on the nomination of the Faculty:

- Associate Professor Lee Aitken
- Mr Ross L Anderson
- Dr Elisabeth Peden

#### A judge appointed by Senate on the nomination of the Chief Justice of New South Wales:

- The Hon Justice John David Hislop

#### Two barristers appointed by Senate on the nomination of the New South Wales Bar Association:

- Mr Peter J D Hamill
- Mr Anthony J O'Brien

#### Two solicitors appointed by Senate on the nomination of the Law Society of New South Wales:

- Ms June McPhee
- Mr John Dobson

#### Four persons appointed by Senate:

- Professor John Hearn
- Professor Judyth Sachs
- Mrs Daphne Kok
- Mr Rod Tindall

## 8.3 Institutional Assessment Framework (DEST visit)

#### Resolution 354/04

Senate noted the report on the Institutional Assessment Framework.

**8.4 International Activities**

**Resolution 355/04**

Senate noted the report on international activities.

**8.5 University Relations**

**Resolution 356/04**

Senate noted the report on University relations.

**9. Report of the Finance Committee, 14 October 2004 (*standard items*)**

**9.1 Vice-Chancellor's Report**

**9.2 Capital Development Program**

**9.3 Fundraising for Campus 2010 – Progress Report**

**9.4 Investment and Commercialisation Board of Management**

**9.5 Annual Reports of Foundations/Centres/Student Associations**

**9.6 Next meeting**

**Resolution 357/04**

Senate noted the Report of the Finance Committee.

**10. Report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee, 13 October 2004 (*standard items*)**

**10.1 Sydney University Sport report**

**10.2 SU Sport general update**

★ **10.3 Voluntary Student Unionism**

**Resolution 358/04**

Senate noted the Report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee.

**11. Report of the Senate/SRC Liaison Committee, 19 October 2004 (*standard items*)**

**11.1 The security bus trial at Cumberland Campus**

**11.2 Sham and illegal practices by education recruitment agencies overseas**

**11.3 Faculty of Nursing and Faculty of Rural Management**

**11.4 Review of Student Appeals provisions**

**11.5 Thai and Indonesian Language Students**

★ **11.6 Voluntary Student Unionism**

**Resolution 359/04**

Senate noted the Report of the Senate/SRC Liaison Committee.

**12. General business (*standard items*)**

**12.1 Report of the Science Foundation for Physics**

**Resolution 360/04**

Senate approved membership of Mr Albert Wong to the Council of the Science Foundation for Physics in his capacity as Life Governor.

**12.2 SUPRA Constitution**

**Resolution 361/04**

Senate approved the amendment to Section 6 of the SUPRA Constitution as set out in the report presented.

**12.3 University of Sydney Union Constitution**

**Resolution 362/04**

Senate approved the amendment to clauses 4.2.1(e), 7.2(d)(ii), 6.2(b), 8.9(a) and (b) of the University of Sydney Union Constitution as set out in the report presented.

**12.4 Graduation ceremonies (November/December 2004)**

**Resolution 363/04**

Senate noted the report on graduation ceremonies in November and December 2004.

★ **13. Question time**

**13.1 Consultancy fees**

**Resolution 364/04**

Senate noted the CFO's response to a question relating to consultancy fees.

**13.2 Media coverage**

**Resolution 365/04**

Senate noted the Vice-Chancellor's response to a question relating to media coverage of University events.

★ **14. Any other business**

**14.1 Financial presentation for Fellows**

**Resolution 366/04**

Senate noted the report.

**14.2 University Governance Symposium**

**Resolution 367/04**

Senate noted the report.

**14.3 Sydney Peace Prize Dinner**

**Resolution 368/04**

Senate noted the report.

★ **15. Confidential priority items**

**16. Confidential standard items**