DECISIONS BY THE BOARD OF STUDIES’ MEETING JUNE 14, 2005

1. **Use and implementation of Statements of Learning**
The Board received a tabled item from the MCEETYA meeting held in Canberra on 12-13 May 2005. The Board agreed that, noting the cross-sectorial and representative nature of Board Curriculum Committees (BCCs), the BCC process be the basis for NSW consultation during the development of the Statements of Learning. The Board requested the Office to provide advice as to how the existing BCCs could be the basis of this consultation. It was also agreed that the work done on the English Statements of Learning be used to inform the development of timelines so that the groups providing advice can be quickly assembled when required.

2. **Nomination to University Developed Board Endorsed Courses Committee**
The Board endorsed the nomination by the Committee of Chairs of Academic Boards of Dr Stephen Ralph of the University of Wollongong to the above committee.

3. **Report (oral) on progress of the Board of Studies’ Strategic Planning Sub-Committee**
The Board noted the progress report.

4. **Reporting student achievement at the HSC**
The Board noted the paper on HSC reporting.

5. **The Higher School Certificate and the Australian Certificate of Education**
The Board noted the paper together with a tabled paper on the Australian Certificate of Education project.

6. **Assessment Resource Centre**
The Board viewed a presentation on the Assessment Resource Centre.

7. **Foundation Studies**
The Board noted the report.

8. **Provision of annual reports from non-government schools**
The Board agreed that the Catholic Education Office, Sydney should be approved to lodge with the Board hard copies of the annual reports from the 148 schools in the system and also agreed that the Board return these reports to the Catholic Education Office upon completion of the Board’s monitoring procedures. The Board further agreed that SCEGGS Darlinghurst should submit its annual report in hard copy to the Board rather than in electronic form and the report be provided in hard copy to anyone on request. The Board authorised the Office of the Board to exercise discretion in the case of any other school which also has difficulty producing an electronic version. It was agreed that these arrangements apply for the 2004 annual reports only.

9. **Joint meeting of the NSW Board of Studies and the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority Board**
The Board agreed that, subject to some comments being addressed, the agenda be confirmed.