COMMITTEE OF CHAIRS OF ACADEMIC BOARDS/SENATES OF UNIVERSITIES IN NSW AND THE ACT

Meeting (06/2) of the Committee of Chairs will be held at 9:30am, Thursday 15 June 2006 in the Green Room, Female Orphanage School, University of Western Sydney, Parramatta.

AGENDA

1.	APOLOGIES/WELCOMES/FAREWELLS	
	Apologies: Professor Malcolm Gillies (ANU), Professor David Green (CSU), Professor Peter Camilleri (ACU)	
2.	MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 30 MARCH 2006	
	The minutes of the previous meeting are attached for confirmation.	Attachment A
3.	BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES	
	Category A Reviews (Minute item 4.1 p. 2 refers.) See agenda item 4 below.	
	Report on HSC 'All my own work' Anne Cusick represented the Committee of Chairs and participated in reviewing the project brief and providing detailed comments for the aim, content, objectives and outcomes of the program at the steering committee held in May 2006, and will report back at the meeting.	Attachment B
4.	HSC CATEGORY A COURSE REVIEWS	
	Reports for courses requiring resolution are attached for consideration. All other reports will be available at the meeting if required.	Attachment C
5.	FINANCIAL STATEMENT/CONTRIBUTION	
	A proposal is attached for consideration.	Attachment D
6.	CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS	
	The National Colloquium of Chairs of Academic Boards/Senates will be hosted by the University of South Australia on Monday 23 October and Tuesday 24 October 2006.	
7.	CHANGING THE CATEGORY B STATUS OF HSC VET COURSES	
	The Minister has proposed to the NSWVCC that VET subjects be reconsidered for UAI purposes (they are proposed to be 4 Unit, which would lead to problems if Cat B). Gordon Stanley will lead discussion.	Attachment E
	See https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/media/downloads/reviews/vet/stratevalnsw.pdf https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/media/downloads/reviews/vet/melunivetreport.pdf	
8.	ELECTION OF CHAIR	
	The term of the current Chair runs from 1 August 2004 until 31 July 2006 (resolution 04/1). If required, an election will be held for a Chair for the period 1 August 2006 to 31 July 2008, subject to the Chair remaining a member for that period.	Attachment F TO FOLLOW
9.	AUSTRALIAN CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION	
	The report is available at: http://www.dest.gov.au/sectors/school_education/publications_resources/profiles/australian_certificate_education.htm Corden Stapley will load discussion of this item.	Attachment G
	Gordon Stanley will lead discussion of this item.	

10. OTHER BUSINESS

10.1 UDBECs

The Chair will report. Gordon Stanley will lead discussion of this item.

Discussion may include:

- other opportunities for school students to study at uni
- a more flexible and encouraging framework
- fees, and work-arounds
- comparative information on the number of UDBECs/uni(s) involved and students studying over the past 5 years, with data for Distinction Courses.

10.2 COMMITTEE OF CHAIRS MEETING SCHEDULE

Members are asked to consider whether it would be useful to change the current practice of meeting for dinner on Wednesday evening and in committee on Thursdays, to dinner on Thursday evening and committee on Friday.

10.3 BOARD OF STUDIES DECISIONS

A summary of decisions of the most recent meeting is attached.

Attachment H

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Friday 18 August, at Southern Cross University, Coffs Harbour.

Committee of Chairs papers are also available at: http://www.gsu.uts.edu.au/cabs/index.html