

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

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Meeting (08/2) of the Committee of Chairs will be held at 9:30am, Thursday 5 June 2008 in the Vice-Chancellery Conference Room, Australian Catholic University, 40 Edward Street, North Sydney.

### AGENDA

<p><b>1. APOLOGIES/WELCOMES</b></p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Linda Connor (N'castle), Tony Dooley (UNSW), Jim Williams (ANU)</p> <p><b>Welcomes:</b> Gabrielle McMullen, Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Academic Affairs) and Chair of ACU Academic Board, Rakesh Kumar (UNSW)(for Tony Dooley), Brailey Sims (N'castle)(for Linda Connor).</p>	
<p><b>2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 10 APRIL 2008</b></p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting are attached for confirmation.</p> <p><b>3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</b></p> <p><b>Appointment of Chair, Technical Committee on Scaling, and Amendments to <i>Standing Orders and Rules of Procedure</i> (Appendix C)</b></p> <p>The Chair will report on any developments re the appointment of Chair of the TCS.</p> <p>The amendments to <i>Standing Orders and Rules of Procedure</i> report is to be considered by NSWVCC at its meeting on 17 June, including a risk audit of the Committee of Chairs, and the decoupling of the roles of Chair and representative at meetings of the Board of Studies. The Chair will report on any progress to date.</p> <p>All other known matters are listed on the agenda.</p> <p><b>4. CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS</b></p> <p><b>4.1 National Meeting 2008</b></p> <p>The proposed date for the national meeting at JCU Cairns is 16-17 October (which coincides with the Committee of Chairs' reserve meeting date of 16 October). It is recommended that the reserve meeting not be held, so that members can attend the national meeting in Cairns.</p> <p>Members are requested to suggest possible items for discussion at the national meeting. Items previously suggested include the possible formation of a national body of Chairs, and academic freedom.</p> <p><b>4.2 4APCEI – 4th Asia Pacific Conference on Educational Integrity</b></p> <p>To be held at University of Wollongong, 28-30 September 2009.</p>	Attachment A

<p><b>5. BOARD OF STUDIES DECISIONS</b> A summary of decisions of the 8 April 2008 meeting of the Board of Studies is attached.</p>	Attachment B
<p><b>6. ACADEMIC BOARD/SENATE ISSUES</b></p> <p><b>6.1 Maths? Why Not? – Final Report prepared for the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) March 2008</b></p> <p>A copy of the Executive Summary, with a media release from the Minister for Education, is attached for discussion. The full report is available at: <a href="http://mediacentre.dewr.gov.au/mediacentre/Gillard/Releases/Earlymaths/experienceskeytofutureparticipation.htm">http://mediacentre.dewr.gov.au/mediacentre/Gillard/Releases/Earlymaths/experienceskeytofutureparticipation.htm</a></p> <p><b>6.2 AUQA Cycle 2 Audits</b></p> <p>Jim Jackson (SCU) will lead discussion of this item.</p>	Attachment C
<p><b>7. OTHER BUSINESS</b></p> <p><b>7.1 Election of Chair of the Committee of Chairs</b></p> <p>A paper will be tabled.</p> <p><b>7.2 Financial Statement</b></p> <p>A closing financial statement will be forwarded to the incoming Chair as part of the hand-over procedures consequential to the election of the new Chair.</p>	To follow
<p><b>NEXT MEETING</b></p> <p>The next meeting is scheduled to be held at University of Sydney on 14 August.</p> <p>Members are requested to indicate if they wish this meeting to have a 'Board of Studies focus' and, if so, what issues they would like to have listed on the agenda. Suggestions from meeting 08/1 include recent assessment trends (incl. electronic assessment methods).</p>	

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