

UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY, SYDNEY

COUNCIL

Meeting 15/2 of the Council of the University of Technology, Sydney, held at 9.00am on Wednesday, 15 April 2015 in UTS Business School Boardroom, Level 12, Dr Chau Chak Wing Building, cnr Mary Ann St and Ultimo Rd, Ultimo.

PRESENT: Professor Vicki Sara AO (Chancellor), Professor Attila Brungs (Vice-Chancellor), Mr Peter Bennett, Ms Michelene Collopy, Associate Professor Joanne Gray, Professor Andrew Jakubowicz, Mr Robert Kelly, Mr Abhishek Loumish, Mr Aaron Ngan, Mr Michael Sexton SC, Dr Marilyn Sleigh, Mr Russell Taylor, Mr Tony Tobin, Professor Sally Varnham, Mr Daniel Willis, and Mr Brian Wilson.

Mr William Paterson (University Secretary) and Ms Philippa Scott (Executive Officer to the UTS Council).

APOLOGIES: Dr Ron Sandland AM

IN ATTENDANCE: Professor Shirley Alexander (Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education and Students)), Professor Peter Booth (Provost), Ms Anne Dwyer (Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Corporate Services)), Professor Glenn Wightwick (Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)), and Ms Michelle Callen (Executive Manager, Strategy and Communications, Office of the Vice-Chancellor).

- For Items 3.2 - 3.5: Mr Martin Hanlon (Director, Planning and Quality Unit)

Items are recorded in the order they appear on the agenda.

1 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1.1 Welcome and Apologies

COU/15-2/21

Council noted the apology received from Dr Ron Sandland AM, and resolved that he be excused for his absence.

Note for the record

Council also noted that Professor William Purcell (Deputy Vice-Chancellor, International & Advancement), and Mr Patrick Woods (Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Resources) were unable to attend the meeting. The Chancellor gave an Acknowledgement of Country on behalf of Council.

1.2 Declaration/Recording of Any Relevant Material Interests

COU/15-2/22

Council resolved to note that no new declarations were recorded for items on the agenda.

1.3 Starring of Recommendations for Discussion

COU/15-2/23

Council resolved to:

- .1 star items 2.2, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.4.1, and 4.6.; and
- .2 adopt the unstarred recommendations.

2 MINUTES AND ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

2.1 Minutes of Meeting 15/1 (18 February 2015)

COU/15-2/24

Council resolved that the minutes of meeting 15/1 (18 February 2015) be confirmed and signed as a true record.

***2.2 Actions Arising**

COU/15-2/25

Council resolved to receive and note the Actions Arising list, subject to the note below.

Note for the record

Council noted that the action under resolution number COU/13-6/91 relating to the KPI Framework is not complete. The KPI Framework is discussed in preliminary terms under Item 3.4. A final version of the KPI Framework will return to Council in August 2015.

3 STRATEGIC ITEMS OF BUSINESS

*3.1 Report from the Vice-Chancellor

COU/15-2/26

Council resolved to receive and note the report, as detailed in Document 3.1 - *Report from the Vice-Chancellor*.

Note for the record

The Vice-Chancellor advised Council of the revised format of his standing report. The report will now address in Section 1 matters related to strategic positioning, competition, and sector wide issues. Section 2 will address internal matters.

Further to Section 1 of the report, Council noted the Vice-Chancellor's advice related to the ongoing issue of potential de-regulation. The Vice-Chancellor continues to work with government and opposition on this matter. Further to Section 2 of the report, with regard to the issue of potential student cheating, Council was advised that the University has robust systems in place for detection of any academic fraud or cheating. Due to the fact these systems are rigorous, regularly audited, and well-understood and enforced; the University does not require a separate 'taskforce' to address potential student academic misconduct.

Council also noted that Ms Alexandra Blanch, a UTS law student mentored by Council member Mr Tony Tobin, is competing for Australia at the upcoming Gallipoli Games, and congratulated her for her achievements.

*3.2 Update to Targets for UTS Key Performance Indicators 2015

COU/15-2/27

Council resolved to:

Confidential.

*3.3 Final UTS Performance Report For 2014

COU/15-2/28

Council resolved to:

Confidential.

***3.4 Revised KPI Framework**

COU/15-2/29

Council resolved to:

Confidential.

***3.5 Initial Student Load Report for 2015**

COU/15-2/30

Council resolved to:

Confidential.

4 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS FOR APPROVAL AND NOTING

4.1 Report from Audit and Risk Committee

COU/15-2/31

Council resolved to

Confidential.

***4.2 Report from Commercial Activities Committee**

COU/15-2/32

Council resolved to:

Confidential.

***4.3 Report from Finance Committee**

COU/15-2/33

Council resolved to:

Confidential.

***4.4 Report from Governance Committee**

COU/15-2/34

Council resolved to:

Confidential.

***4.4.1 Report from 2015 Council Retreat**

COU/15-2/35

Council resolved to:

Confidential.

4.5 Report from Physical Infrastructure Committee

COU/15-2/36

Council resolved to:

Confidential.

***4.6 Report from Remuneration Committee**

COU/15-2/37

Council resolved to:

Confidential.

5 ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

No items to report.

6 ITEMS FOR NOTING

6.1 Report from the Chancellor

COU/15-2/38

Council to receive and note the report, as detailed in Document 6.1 – *Report from the Chancellor*.

6.2 Use of University Seal and Executive Action

COU/15-2/39

Council resolved to note:

- .1 the action taken to affix the University Seal during the period 11 February 2015 to 8 April 2015 as described in Part A of Schedule 1 of Document 6.2; and
- .2 the Executive Action undertaken on behalf of Council during the period 18 February to 8 April 2015 as described in Part A of Schedule 1 of Document 6.2.

6.3 Work Health and Safety Standing Report

COU/15-2/40

Council resolved to receive and note the report as detailed in Document 6.3 – Health and Safety Standing Report to Council

6.4 Report from Student/Council Liaison Group

COU/15-2/41

Council resolved to receive and note the report from Student/Council Liaison Group, as detailed in Document 6.4 - *Student/Council Liaison Group*.

6.5 Report from Academic Board

COU/15-2/42

Council resolved to receive and note the report of the Academic Board, as detailed in Document 6.5 – *Report from Academic Board* and its Attachments.

7 ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Matters for further discussion arising from reports

7.2 Other Business (at Council's discretion)

There being no other business the meeting ended at 11.55am

The 15/2 meeting of Council was followed by a presentation by Professor Ian Burnett, Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and IT. Dr Michael Eyles, Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and IT, was also in attendance.

SIGNED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIR

DATE