

**AGENDA ITEM 13  
Report of the Academic Staffing Committee****13.2 Report of the Academic Staffing Committee meeting held on 29 April 2009**

The Committee met on 29 April 2009 when there were present: The Chair (Professor B Bennett) presiding, Professors D Day, G Hancock, G Llewellyn, C Murphy, G Pearson, I Ramzan and B Sutton, and Ms B Anderson, Mr J Dixon and Mr C Streeter. Ms M Kemmis was in attendance.

**13.2.1 Proceedings of the Committee****(1) Titles for Retired Staff**

The Committee noted a response from the University of Sydney Association of Professors on the concept of allowing retired professors to retain the title “professor” without any further qualifier (such as “emeritus” or “honorary”). A brief paper on this issue will be developed by the Committee for submission to the Academic Board later this year.

**(2) Promotions**

The Committee discussed issues related to promotions in the research-only and teaching and research tracks, as well as where staff receive an externally funded research fellowship with an associated appointment to a higher level. It was agreed that this issue would be referred to the Academic Roles Working Group established under the University’s Work Slate.

**(3) Survey of Teaching Support Staff**

The Committee noted data compiled by SydneyPeople on the extent of academic teaching undertaken by non-employees (including casuals). Members noted that further data was required, and it was agreed that a number of faculties would be selected by SydneyPeople for more intensive research on this matter.

**(4) Other Reports**

The Committee also noted the reports of the Academic Board meetings of 25 February, 10 March and 15 April 2009.