



Indigenous Education Advisory Committee

10.00a.m. – 11.00a.m. Thursday 8th February 2007
Western Tower Room Main Quadrangle

Membership:

Prof Derrick Armstrong, Acting Deputy Provost (Learning and Teaching) and Pro Vice-Chancellor (Chair)
Dr Ann Cheryl Armstrong, Faculty of Education and Social Work
Ms Michelle Blanchard, Deputy Director, Koori Centre
Dr Margaret Edmond, Director Student Services
Mr Colin L. James, Director I.B. Fell Housing Research Centre
Ms Shona Kennedy, Indigenous Employment Policy Officer
Ms Leona Oliver, representative of SUPRA
Ms Sue Page, Coordinator U/G Programs, Yooroang Garang
Ms Lynette Riley-Mundine, Academic Coordinator, Koori Centre
Dr Stuart Rosewarne, NTEU Indigenous Members Caucus
Dr Manjula Sharma, Sydney University Physics Education Research Group
Professor Bruce Sutton, Chair Academic Board

Corresponding Members:

Assoc Prof Diana Day, Academic Research Support, Koori Centre
Ms Ros Field, Director Indigenous Education, DEST
Prof John Lester, Director of Aboriginal Education & Training, DET
Mr Kevin Lowe, Inspector, Aboriginal Education, Office of Board of Studies
Professor Don Nutbeam, Provost and Deputy Vice-Chancellor

Apologies:

Dr Lilon Bandler, Indigenous Health Education, Faculty of Medicine
Ms Vicki Bradford, Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery
Mr John Evans, P/G student representative
Ms Sally Farrington, Deputy Head, Yooroang Garang
Mr David Guest, U/G student representative
Ms Tegan Lloyd, U/G student representative
Ms Janet Mooney, Director Koori Centre
Ms Anne Scahill, Director Staff and Student Equal Opportunity Unit
Mr Clark Webb, U/G student representative

Minutes

- Minutes of 16th November 2006 & Business Arising:** **Adopted**
 - Workshop on Indigenous student Recruitment and Retention, 21st Feb. 2.00-5.00p.m.
Discussion centred around the Program; with consensus being that it was too full. It was suggested that the 2.40p.m. Session on Funding and Resourcing be removed. **Adopted**
 - Proposal for the establishment of a new entity through the integration of the Koori Centre and Yooroang Garang
Before a structure is designed, information is required on:
 - Key issues to be resolved
 - Relationship of the teaching and the support roles, and the advocacy role within the University community regarding cultural awareness
 - Implications of the seven IHEAC Priority Areas, and other external requirementsThe Workshop on the 21st February may provide input.

A series of consultations is required at different levels of the University community:

- Amongst members of staff in the Koori Centre and Yooroang Garang
- Between Prof Armstrong and staff from the Koori Centre and Yooroang Garang
- Between Prof Armstrong and the Deans of Education and Social Work , Health Sciences, Medicine, Nursing and Midwifery and Pharmacy

Adopted

2. University submissions for Pathways funding from DEST

Mr Col James

Mr James told the Committee that the University made two applications for Pathways funding from DEST:

- An application led by the Faculty of Economics and Business with partners from Tranby College and the Koori Centre, and one called
- Hands-on-Indigenous Careering with partners from Healthabitat, Yooroang Garang and the Koori Centre; led by Col James. This application is based on 3 assumptions:
 - Before even contemplating tertiary study, indigenous youth in years 10-12 need life experience
 - Successful work experience increases self-respect
 - Successful employment lends external respect

The program includes a seven day camp on indigenous land, certificate level qualifications and work experience via the 'Housing for Health' project.

3. Meeting frequency 2007

Prof Derrick Armstrong

Meeting dates to be circulated to find a day of the week allowing greater numbers to attend.

It was agreed that meetings should be one and a half hours in duration.

Adopted