



The University of Sydney

Senate agenda, 4 August 2003

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MEMORANDUM TO: Fellows of Senate

An ordinary meeting of the Senate of the University will be held at **5.00pm** on **Monday 4 August 2003** in the Senate Room. The agenda for the meeting is set out below.

The Senate Room is in the Quadrangle on the Camperdown Campus, above the Ante Room.

- ☆ This symbol indicates items which have been starred for discussion at the meeting.
- ▶ This symbol indicates items which in the view of the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor are of particular significance.

Dr W G Adams
Registrar

PART 1 – ITEMS FOR ACTION

- ☆ 1. **Addition or deletion of confidential items**
(This item to be dealt with prior to admission of observers to the Senate Room.)

Confidential items appear at **item 11 (Appendix H)**. Fellows who wish any other item to be treated as confidential or any confidential item to be treated as non-confidential should so indicate.

- 2. **Senate business (*items for action*)**

Appendix A

- ☆ 2.1 **Order of business**

- ☆ 2.2 **Starring**

(page A1)

Fellows are invited to star any unstarred item which they wish to have discussed.

Recommendation

That Senate resolve as recommended with respect to all unstarred items.

2.3 Leave of absence (page A1)

Recommendation

That Senate grant leave of absence for this meeting to Dr G Butler as requested and note an apology for absence given by The Hon J Aquilina.

☆ **2.4 Proposed amendments to the minutes of the previous Senate meeting held on 7 July 2003 and the adjourned meeting held on 8 July 2003** (pages A1, A16)

Recommendation

For consideration.

2.5 Minutes of the previous Senate meeting held on 7 July 2003 and the adjourned meeting held on 8 July 2003 (pages A1, A3-15)

Recommendation

That Senate confirm the minutes of the Senate meeting held on 7 July 2003 and the adjourned meeting held on 8 July as a true and correct record, subject to consideration of agenda item 2.4 above.

2.6 Business arising out of the minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda

☆ **2.7 Fellow of Senate elected by and from members of the Legislative Assembly – Deferred from the July Senate meeting** (page A1)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report, welcome The Hon John J Aquilina as a Fellow of Senate and thank Mr Kevin Greene for his valued service as a Fellow of Senate for four years.

☆ **2.8 Senate Colloquium** (page A2)

Recommendation

For consideration

☆ **3. Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal** **Appendix B**

3.1 Update for Senate's information

I will report at the meeting.

Items for action

3.2 Deputy Vice-Chancellor – Selection Committee (page B1)

Recommendation

That Senate approve the membership of the Selection Committee for the position of Deputy Vice-Chancellor as follows:

Ex Officio:

- Chancellor
- Deputy Chancellor
- Chair of the Academic Board
- Vice-Chancellor

Appointed by Senate:

Two nominees of Senate (who may or may not be Fellows of Senate)

- Mr Bohdan Bilinsky
- Mrs Margaret Varady

One additional member of the Academic Board, on the nomination of the Chair of the Board

- *Professor Andrew Coats*
- *Professor Hal Kendig (Reserve)*

3.3 Deanship in Engineering – Selection Committee (page B1)

Recommendation

That Senate

(i) *note that the Vice-Chancellor has approved the following recommendations of the Faculty:*

- *that the appointee will hold a full-time position as a Professor in a discipline area within the Faculty and will act as Dean, with the appropriate responsibility loading, for a period of five years. At the conclusion of this period, the appointee may be invited to undertake a further specified period as Dean, with a continuation of the appropriate appointment and responsibility loading.*
- *that the appointment be advertised both internally and externally; and*

(ii) *appoint the following selection committee:*

Ex-officio

Vice-Chancellor and Principal (Professor Gavin Brown)

Chair of the Academic Board (Professor Judyth Sachs)

Pro-Vice-Chancellor with supervisory responsibility for the Dean (Professor B Hesketh)

Members appointed by Senate

Three members (plus two reserves) nominated by the Faculty:

- *Professor Bryan Haynes*
- *Professor Assaad Masri*
- *Professor Branka Vucetic*
- *Professor Jim Petrie (First Reserve)*
- *Professor Ron Johnston (Second Reserve)*

One member, external to the University, to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor:

- *Professor Paul Greenfield, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research), University of Queensland*
- *Professor Adrian Page, Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Engineering and Built Environment), University of Newcastle (Reserve)*

3.4 Deanship in Education and Social Work – Selection Committee (page B2)

Recommendation

That Senate resolve as recommended.

Items for noting

3.5 Senior Staff Departures (page B2)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

3.6 Quality Assurance (page B2)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report

- 3.7 Glossary of Acronyms and Terminology** (page B3)
- Recommendation*
That Senate note the report
- 3.8 Student Achievements** (page B4)
- Recommendation*
That Senate note the report
- 3.9 Lebanon Visit** (page B4)
- Recommendation*
That Senate note the report
- 3.10 Media Reports** (pages B4, B9-36)
- Recommendation*
That Senate note the report
- 3.11 International**
- 3.11.1 Visiting Delegations and VIPs** (page B6)
- Recommendation*
That Senate note the report
- 3.11.2 New International Enrolments** (page B7)
- Recommendation*
That Senate note the report
- 3.12 Development and External Affairs**
- 3.12.1 Events** (page B8)
- Recommendation*
That Senate note the report.

☆ **4. Report of the Academic Board, 11 June 2003 (items for action) - Deferred from the July Senate meeting** **Appendix C**
(Professor Judyth Sachs)

- 4.1 Amendment of the Rules of the Senate**
- 4.1.1 Review of the Academic Board and the Academic Forum: the University of Sydney (Student Proctorial Panel) Rule 2003** (pages C1, C4-5)
- Recommendation*
That Senate amend the University of Sydney (Student Proctorial Panel) Rule 2003 prior to promulgation, as set out in the shaded box on pages C4-5 of the report presented.
- 4.1.2 University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999: Earliest date for submission of a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) thesis** (pages C1, C6)
- Recommendation*
That Senate amend section 78 of the University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999, as set out in the shaded box on page C6 of the report presented.

4.2 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate

4.2.1 New or amended courses

**4.2.1.1 Faculty of Arts/Faculty of Science: Bachelor of Liberal Studies
(Advanced)**

(pages C2, C7)

Recommendation

That Senate approve:

- (i) *the proposal from the Faculty of Arts and Faculty of Science for the introduction in 2004 of the new stream, the Bachelor of Liberal Studies (Advanced), within the existing Bachelor of Liberal Studies award course,*
- (ii) *the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Science, with effect from 1 January 2004, and*
- (iii) *the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Bachelor of Liberal Studies, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000, with effect from 1 January 2004, as set out in the report presented; and as set out in the shaded box on page C7 of the report presented.*

**5. Report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee, 25 June 2003 (items for
action)**

Appendix D

(Mr Bruce Corlett)

5.1 Audit and Risk Management Committee Charter

(pages D1, D2-3)

Recommendation

That Senate approve the Charter for the Audit and Risk Management Committee as recommended.

6. General items (items for action)

Appendix E

6.1 Bequests, donations, non-government grants and gifts-in-kind, June 2003

(page E1)

Recommendation

That Senate accept with gratitude the various bequests, donations, non-government grants and gifts-in-kind received in June 2003.

6.2 Report of the Save Sight and Eye Health Institute

(page E1)

Recommendation

That Senate approve the changes to the Constitution of the Save Sight and Eye Health Institute, namely the change of name to the Save Sight Institute, as recommended.

6.3 The University of Sydney Union Constitution

(pages E1, E3-12)

Recommendation

That Senate

- (i) *approve the changes to the Constitution of the University of Sydney Union as recommended with the exception of proposed new clause 2.1(l); and*
- (ii) *refer proposed new clause 2.1(1) back to the University of Sydney Union for further consideration based on the advice of the University Solicitor.*

PART 2 – ITEMS FOR NOTING

☆ 7.

Question time

7.1 University campuses – *Deferred from the July Senate meeting*

Dr G Butler had given notice of the following questions:

- (i) *Could the Vice-Chancellor bring to Senate the proposals concerning Senate that have been made by Towards A Sustainable Campus in a recent letter to him?*
- (ii) *Could the Vice-Chancellor also report to Senate on what is currently happening in regard to the implementation of the University's Environment Policy, to the proposal to establish a Sustainability Institute and to the prospect of including material relevant to the Environment Policy on the new University Website?*

7.2 Nelson Review

Ms M Watts has given notice of the following questions:

Under Brendan Nelson's higher education reforms, how many HECS places would the University have to phase out in 2004, and the 2-3 years, in order to be eligible for the new funding scheme? Has DEST provided an estimate of the number of new HECS places Sydney University would receive under the new funding regime? If so, how many places would we receive? If not, how many places does the University estimate it will receive under the new funding regime?

7.3 AUQA Audit

Ms M Watts has given notice of the following questions:

What processes has the university established to comply with the requirements of the upcoming Australian Universities Quality Agency (AUQA) audit. Given it's a self-audit of all aspects of the university, how would the review be conducted and how would various groups like students be involved in the consultation process? Further, how would the Senate be involved in the audit process?

8. Senate business (*items for noting*)

Appendix F

8.1 Functions attended by the Chancellor and Fellows of Senate in the previous month

(pages F1, F2-3)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

8.2 English Language Support for Refugees

(page F1)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report of the Acting Dean of the Faculty of Education and Social Work.

8.3 Next meeting

(page F1)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

9. General items (*items for noting*)

Appendix G

☆ **9.1 Items deferred from the June Senate meeting and Colloquium**

- 9.1.1 Student Appeals Committee (Exclusions and Readmissions) (*Business arising*)** (*Business arising*) (pages G1, G7-9)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 9.1.2 Student Appeals Committee (Exclusions and Readmissions) – 2002 Annual Report (*Report of the Academic Board, 14 May 2003 (items for noting)*)** (page G1)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 9.1.3 Victoria Park (*Report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee, 14 May 2003 (items for noting)*)** (page G1)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 9.1.4 Capital Development Report (*Finance Committee meeting, 15 May 2003 – Minutes and papers/Background and optional reading*)** (pages G2, G10-14)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

☆ **9.2 Items deferred from the July Senate meeting**

- 9.2.1 Legal Services – Update (*Report of the Finance Committee, 23 June 2003 (items for noting)*)** (pages G2, G15-19)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 9.2.2 Campus 2010 (*Report of the Senate/SRC Liaison Committee, 5 June 2003 (items for noting)*)** (page G2)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 9.2.3 Security at Cumberland Campus (*Report of the Senate/SRC Liaison Committee, 5 June 2003 (items for noting)*)** (page G3)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 9.2.4 Discipline of students (*Report of the Senate/SRC Liaison Committee, 5 June 2003 (items for noting)*)** (page G4)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 9.2.5 Campus 2010 and Beyond (*Draft report of the Senate/SUPRA Liaison Committee, 12 June 2003 (items for noting)*)** (page G4)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 9.2.6 Academic Gowns for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Draft report of the Senate/SUPRA Liaison Committee, 12 June 2003 (items for noting))** (page G5)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 9.2.7 Signage (Draft report of the Senate/SUPRA Liaison Committee, 12 June 2003 (items for noting))** (page G6)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 9.2.8 Enterprise Bargaining Update (Finance Committee meeting, 23 June 2003 – Minutes and papers/Background and optional reading)** (page G6)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 9.3 Graduation ceremonies (September 2003)** (page G6)

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

☆ **10. Any other business**

PART 3 – CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

- ☆ **11. Confidential items**
(For Fellows of Senate and Senior Officers)

Appendix H