



# The University of Sydney

## Senate agenda, 2 August 2004

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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 2 August 2004** 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.

Dr W G Adams  
Registrar

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## PART 1 – PRIORITY ITEMS

- ☆ 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 **items 14 & 15 (Appendix K)**. 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. **Focus topic (priority item)** **Appendix A**  
**2.1 IT at the University of Sydney: Strategic Considerations** **A1**
- ☆ 3. **Senate and general business (priority items)** **Appendix B**
- For action**
- 3.1 Pro-Chancellor** **B1**
- Recommendation**  
*That Senate resolve that*
- *The position of Pro-Chancellor continue and that at any given time there will normally be two Fellows appointed to the position of Pro-Chancellor.*
  - *The role of the Pro-Chancellor is to carry out, by arrangement with the Chancellor, the functions of delegate of the Chancellor to preside at graduation ceremonies when the Chancellor is not available, in addition to the Deputy Chancellor and the Chair of the Academic Board.*

- Consistent with Senate's resolution establishing the position of Pro-Chancellor (chosen by Senate on the recommendation of the Chancellor) and recognising that the Chancellor is responsible for the manner in which the functions of his or her office are carried out, that recommendations for the position of Pro-Chancellor be put forward by the Chancellor for endorsement by Senate, noting that it is open to the Chancellor to put forward the names of more nominees than there are positions to be filled. On such occasions the determination of which candidates are to be appointed will be by an election conducted by the Registrar.
- An appointment to the position of Pro-Chancellor is normally for a period of two years.
- Normally appointment to the position of Pro-Chancellor is made at the last Senate meeting of the year with the term of office to commence on the following 1 January.
- Fellows appointed to the position of Pro-Chancellor are eligible for re-appointment.
- In view of the small number of graduation ceremonies remaining in 2004 no appointment be made to the position of Pro-Chancellor vacated by Professor Sefton at the time of her election as Deputy Chancellor.

***For noting***

**3.2 Update on legislative changes**  
(Dr William Adams)

B2

***Recommendation***

*That Senate note the report.*

☆ **4. Report of the Finance Committee, 17 June 2004 (priority items)**  
(Mr David Hoare)

***Appendix C***

***For action***

**4.1 Capital Development Program**

**4.1.1 Capital Development Program 2005-2009 incorporating Campus 2010 and Building for the Future**

C1

***Recommendation***

*That Senate approve the Capital Development Program 2005-2009 incorporating Campus 2010 and Building for the Future.*

***For noting***

**4.2 Capital Development Program – IT Plan Review 2004 and Proposed Budget Arrangements to 2008**

C2

**4.3 Investment and Commercialisation Strategy**

C2

***Recommendation***

*That Senate note the report of the Finance Committee (priority items), 17 June 2004.*

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**PART 2 – STANDARD ITEMS**

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**5. Senate business (standard items)**

***Appendix D***

***For action***

☆ **5.1 Starring**

D1

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.*

- 5.2 Leave of absence** D1

**Recommendation**

*That Senate noted the apology as requested.*

- 5.3 Minutes of the previous Senate meeting, 7 June 2004** D 1, 3 - 14

**Recommendation**

*That Senate confirm the minutes of the Senate meeting held on 7 June 2004 as a true and correct record.*

- 5.4 Business arising out of the minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda** D1

- ★ **5.5 Chair of the Academic Board** D1

**Recommendation**

*That Senate congratulate Professor John Carter on his election as Chair of the Academic Board from 7 July 2004 to 31 December 2005.*

- ★ **5.6 University of Dundee** D 1, 15 - 16

**Recommendation**

*That Senate congratulate the Vice-Chancellor on his receipt of the award of Doctor of Laws honoris causa from the University of Dundee.*

**For noting**

- 5.8 Senate representation** D2, 17 - 18

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note the report on Senate representation during June and July 2004.*

- 5.9 Next meeting** D2

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note that the next Senate meeting will be held at 5.00pm on 6 September 2004 in the Senate Room.*

- 6. Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal (standard items)** **Appendix E**

- ★ **6.1 Update for Senate's information** E1

**For action**

- 6.2 Dissolution of the Centre for Health Economics Research and Evaluation Foundation** E1

**Recommendation**

*That Senate approve the dissolution of the Centre for Health Economics Research and Evaluation Foundation.*

- 6.3 Naming of the Brain and Mind Research Institute** E1

**Recommendation**

*That Senate approve the naming of the building located at 100 Mallet St as the Brain and Mind Research Institute Building.*

***For noting***

<b>6.4</b>	<b>Research Grant Success</b>	<i>E1</i>
<b>6.5</b>	<b>Student achievements</b>	<i>E3</i>
<b>6.6</b>	<b>Chinese Alliances</b>	<i>E3</i>
<b>6.7</b>	<b>Accreditation of the Bachelor of Social Work</b>	<i>E3</i>
<b>6.8</b>	<b>University Relations</b>	<i>E3</i>
<b>6.9</b>	<b>International Report</b>	<i>E4</i>

***Recommendation***

*That Senate note the Vice-Chancellor's report.*

**7. Report of the Finance Committee, 17 June 2004 (standard items) **Appendix F****  
(Mr David Hoare)

***For noting***

<b>7.1</b>	<b>Business Arising out of the Minutes</b>	<i>F1</i>
<b>7.2</b>	<b>Vice-Chancellor's Report</b>	<i>F1</i>
<b>7.3</b>	<b>Tender Board Report for period November 2003 – April 2004</b>	<i>F1</i>
<b>7.4</b>	<b>Capital Development Program</b>	<i>F1</i>
<b>7.5</b>	<b>Annual Reports of Foundations/Centres/Student Associations</b>	<i>F1</i>
<b>7.6</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>	<i>F2</i>

***Recommendation***

*That Senate note the report of the Finance Committee (standard items), 17 June 2004.*

**8. Report of the Academic Board, 9 June 2004 (standard items) **Appendix G****  
(Associate Professor Anthony Masters)

***For action***

<b>8.1</b>	<b>Amendment of the Rules</b>	
<b>8.1.1</b>	<b>Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)</b>	<i>G 1, 5-9</i>

***Recommendation***

*That Senate:*

- (1) repeal part 10, division 4 of the University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999 (as amended); and*
  - (2) adopt the University of Sydney (Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)) Rule 2004*
- as set out on pages G5 – 9 of the report presented.*

**8.2 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate**

**8.2.1 Course proposals**

<b>8.2.1.1</b>	<b>Faculty of Faculty of Science: Bachelor of Science (Media and Communications)</b>	<i>G2, 10</i>
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***Recommendation***

*That Senate approve:*

- (1) the proposal from the Faculty of Science to rescind the Bachelor of Science in Media and Communications course,*
  - (2) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Degrees, Graduate Diplomas and Graduate Certificates in the Faculty of Science,*
  - (3) the rescission of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the above course, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000; and*
- with effect from 1 January 2005, as set out in pages G10 of the report presented.*

***For noting***

<b>8.3</b>	<b>Report of the Vice-Chancellor</b>	<b>G2</b>
<b>8.4</b>	<b>New and amended courses</b>	<b>G3</b>
<b>8.5</b>	<b>Parallel teaching of postgraduate and undergraduate students</b>	<b>G3</b>
<b>8.6</b>	<b>Co-funded University of Sydney Postgraduate Awards: Method of Award (Second Semester)</b>	<b>G3</b>
<b>8.7</b>	<b>Annual review of postgraduate research candidates and probationary candidature</b>	<b>G3</b>
<b>8.8</b>	<b>Academic Board Resolutions: <i>Assessment and Examination of Coursework</i></b>	<b>G4</b>
<b>8.9</b>	<b>Academic Board Resolutions: <i>Award with Honours</i></b>	<b>G4</b>
<b>8.10</b>	<b>Standardisation of credit points for undergraduate units of study</b>	<b>G4</b>
<b>8.11</b>	<b>Academic Board Forum</b>	<b>G4</b>

***Recommendation***

*That Senate note the report of the Academic Board (standard items), 9 June 2004.*

**9. Report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee, 23 June 2004 (standard items) Appendix H**  
(Mr Bruce Corlett)

***For noting***

<b>9.1</b>	<b>Financial Services – Operational Initiatives</b>	<b>H1</b>
<b>9.2</b>	<b>Auditor-General’s Report to Parliament</b>	<b>H1</b>
<b>9.3</b>	<b>International Finance Accounting Standards (IFAS)</b>	<b>H1</b>
<b>9.4</b>	<b>Directors &amp; Officers Liability</b>	<b>H1</b>
<b>9.5</b>	<b>Auditor-General’s Management Letter</b>	<b>H1</b>
<b>9.6</b>	<b>Australian Photonics CRC/Optic Fibre Technology Centre</b>	<b>H1</b>

***Recommendation***

*That Senate note the report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee (standard items), 23 June 2004.*

**10. Report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee, 16 June 2004 (standard items) Appendix I**  
(Mr John McCarthy)

***For noting***

<b>10.1</b>	<b>Chair of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee</b>	<b>I1</b>
<b>10.2</b>	<b>Welcome and Apologies</b>	<b>I1</b>
<b>10.3</b>	<b>Report of the previous Senate/Sports Liaison Committee meeting held on 14 April 2004</b>	<b>I1</b>
<b>10.4</b>	<b>Senate report, 3 May 2004</b>	<b>I1</b>
<b>10.5</b>	<b>Business Arising</b>	<b>I1</b>
<b>10.6</b>	<b>Any other business</b>	<b>I2</b>
<b>10.7</b>	<b>Next meeting</b>	<b>I3</b>

***Recommendation***

*That Senate note the report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee (standard items), 16 June 2004.*

- 11. General business (standard items) Appendix J**
- 11.1 Report of the Ageing and Alzheimer's Research Foundation J1**
- Recommendation*  
That Senate approve the membership of the Foundation Council and the appointment of the Foundation's Office Bearers to the Council for the Ageing and Alzheimer's Research Foundation, as set out in the report presented.
- 11.2 Report of the Australian Lebanese Foundation J1**
- Recommendation*  
That Senate approve the membership of the Foundation Council and the appointment of the Foundation's Office Bearers to the Council for the Australian Lebanese Foundation, as set out in the report presented.
- 11.3 Report of the Australian Vietnam Medical Trust J2**
- Recommendation*  
That Senate approve the membership of the Foundation Council and the appointment of the Foundation's Office Bearers to the Council for the Australian Vietnam Medical Trust, as set out in the report presented.
- 11.4 Report of the Bone and Joint Research Foundation J2**
- Recommendation*  
That Senate approve the membership of the Foundation Council and the appointment of the Foundation's Office Bearers to the Council for the Bone and Joint Research Foundation, as set out in the report presented.
- 11.5 Report of the Dermatology Research Foundation J3**
- Recommendation*  
That Senate approve the membership of the Foundation Council and the appointment of the Foundation's Office Bearers to the Council for the Dermatology Research Foundation, as set out in the report presented.
- 11.6 Report of the Ear and Allied Research Foundation J4**
- Recommendation*  
That Senate approve the membership of the Foundation Council and the appointment of the Foundation's Office Bearers to the Council for the Ear and Allied Research Foundation, as set out in the report presented.
- 11.7 Report of the Medical Foundation J4**
- Recommendation*  
That Senate approve the membership of the Foundation Council and the appointment of the Foundation's Office Bearers to the Council for the Medical Foundation, as set out in the report presented.
- 11.8 Report of the Melanoma Foundation J5**
- Recommendation*  
That Senate approve the membership of the Foundation Council and the appointment of the Foundation's Office Bearers to the Council for the Melanoma Foundation, as set out in the report presented.
- 11.9 Report of the Nepean Medical Research Foundation J6**

**Recommendation**

*That Senate approve the membership of the Foundation Council and the appointment of the Foundation's Office Bearers to the Council for the Nepean Medical Research Foundation, as set out in the report presented.*

**11.10 Report of the Pharmacy Practice Foundation**

J6

**Recommendation**

*That Senate approve the membership of the Foundation Council and the appointment of the Foundation's Office Bearers to the Council for the Pharmacy Practice Foundation, as set out in the report presented.*

**11.11 Report of the Warren Centre for Advanced Engineering**

J7

**Recommendation**

*That Senate approve one appointment and two re-appointments to the Board of the Warren Centre for Advanced Engineering, as set out in the report presented.*

**For noting**

★ **11.11 Dr Pat Lahy**

J7

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note the tribute to Dr Pat Lahy.*

**11.12 Graduation ceremonies (July/August 2004)**

J7, 8

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note the report.*

★ **12. Question time**

Dr Robin Fitzsimons has given notice of the following questions:

- (1) "The University of Sydney 2006"  
What consideration has been given to whether or not we can appropriately take advantage of our postcode-year for promotional purposes?
- (2) The University of Sydney will be aware of reports in "The Sunday Times" (London) that overseas students have allegedly obtained access to British Universities with lower marks than UK students. Can the Vice-Chancellor reassure Senate that overseas students will not be admitted to the University of Sydney with lower mark equivalents than local fee-paying students and that monitoring processes to guard against this are adequate?

★ **13. Any other business**

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**PART 3 – CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

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★ **14. Confidential priority items**

**15. Confidential standard items**

*(Separate enclosure for Fellows and Senior Officers)*

*Appendix K*