



The University of Sydney

Senate agenda, 5 December 2005

Secretary to Senate: The Registrar (Dr William Adams)

Senate Officer: Ms Lis Bergmann
Senate Office A14

Phone: 9351 5656; Fax: 9351 3572
E-mail: L.Bergmann@secretariat.usyd.edu.au
Senate website: <http://www.usyd.edu.au/su/senate/>
Policy on-line: <http://www.usyd.edu.au/policy>

MEMORANDUM TO: Fellows of Senate

An ordinary meeting of the Senate of the University will be held at **5.00pm** on **Monday 5 December 2005** 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

AGENDA

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

A separate confidential agenda is provided for **Fellows of Senate and Senior Officers**. Fellows who wish any other item to be treated as confidential or any confidential item to be treated as non-confidential should so indicate.

Item 15 will be dealt with first in confidential session.

- ★ 2. **Starring**
- 2.1 **Starring of items**
Fellows are invited to star any unstarred item which they wish to have discussed.
- 2.2 **Unstarred items**
- Recommendation**
That Senate resolve as recommended with respect to all unstarred items.

PRIORITY ITEMS

- ☆ 3. **Focus topic: Academic assessment (priority item)** **Appendix A**
(Presenters: Professor John Carter and Professor Judyth Sachs)
- ☆ 4. **Approval of Budget for 2006 (priority item)** **Appendix B**
(Chair of Finance Committee: Mr David Hoare) **Sep. White. Encl.**
- Recommendation**
That Senate approve the 2006 Budget.
- ☆ 5. **Committee membership (priority item)** **Appendix C**
- 5.1 **Senate committees whose term of office concludes at the February 2006 Senate meeting: Extension of term of office to 6 March 2006** C1
- Recommendation**
That Senate extend the term of office for the Advisory Committee for the Selection of Candidates for Honorary Awards, Chair Appointments Committee, Finance Committee, Senate/Sports Liaison Committee, Senate/SRC Liaison Committee, Senate/SUPRA Liaison Committee, Student Academic Appeals Committee and Student Appeals Committee (Exclusions and Readmissions) to 6 March 2006 as set out in the report presented.
- 5.2 **Student Disciplinary Appeals Committee: Casual vacancy** C1
- Recommendation**
That Senate appoint Professor Margaret Harris and Associate Professor Anthony Masters as alternates to fill the casual vacancy on the Student Disciplinary Appeals Committee, the term of office to conclude on 30 September 2006.
- 5.3 **Audit and Risk Management Committee: Casual vacancy** C1
- Recommendation**
That Senate appoint Ms Irene Moss to fill the casual vacancy on the Audit and Risk Management Committee, the term of office to conclude on 30 November 2006.

STANDARD ITEMS

6. **Senate business** **Appendix D**
- For action**
- 6.1 **Apologies for absence** D1
- Recommendation**
That Senate accept apologies for absence from this meeting from Dr M Copeman.
- 6.2 **Minutes of the previous Senate meeting, 7 November 2005** D1, D6-19
- Recommendation**
That Senate confirm the minutes of the Senate meeting held on 7 November 2005 as a true and correct record.

- 6.3 Business arising out of the minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda**
- ★ **6.4 Four Fellows of Senate elected by and from the academic staff of the University** D1, D20, D23-5
- Recommendation**
That Senate note the report, congratulate Dr Roslyn Bohringer, Professor Margaret Harris, Associate Professor Anthony Masters and Associate Professor Iqbal Ramzan on their election as Fellows of Senate by and from the academic staff to hold office from 1 December 2005 to 31 May 2007, and welcome them to the meeting.
- ★ **6.5 One Fellow of Senate elected by and from the non-academic staff of the University** D1, D21, D23-5
- Recommendation**
That Senate note the report, congratulate Ms Kim Wilson on her election as a Fellow of Senate by and from the non-academic staff to hold office from 1 December 2005 to 31 May 2007, and welcome her to the meeting.
- ★ **6.6 Five Fellows of Senate elected by and from the graduates of the University** D1, D22-5
- Recommendation**
That Senate note the report, congratulate Dr Michael Copeman, Dr Robin Fitzsimons, Ms Irene Moss, Emeritus Professor Ann Sefton and Mr Adam Spencer on their election as Fellows of Senate by and from the graduates to hold office from 1 December 2005 to 30 November 2009, and welcome them to the meeting.
- ★ **6.7 Fellows of Senate elected by and from the undergraduate and postgraduate students of the University** D2, D23-5
- Recommendation**
That Senate note the report, congratulate Ms Rose Jackson and Mr Jack Clegg on their election as Fellows of Senate by and from the undergraduate students and postgraduate students respectively to hold office from 1 December 2005 to 30 November 2006, and welcome them to the meeting.
- ★ **6.8 Retirement of Fellow of Senate, Mr Bohdan Bilinsky on 30 November 2005** D2, D26
- Recommendation**
That Senate record its formal appreciation for and note in detail the contribution made by Mr Bohdan Bilinsky, who retired as a Fellow of Senate on 30 November 2005.
- ★ **6.9 Retirement of Fellow of Senate, Professor John Carter on 31 December 2005** D2, D26
- Recommendation**
That Senate record its formal appreciation for and note in detail the contribution made by Professor John Carter, who retires as a Fellow of Senate on 31 December 2005.
- ★ **6.10 Abercrombie Street Child Care Limited: Casual vacancies** D2
- Recommendation**
That Senate fill casual vacancies on the Council of Abercrombie Street Child Care Limited.
- 6.11 Amendment of University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999** D3, D27-8
- Recommendation**
That Senate approve the University of Sydney Amendment (Election of Chair, Academic Board) Rule 2005.

For noting

- 6.12 Membership of Finance Committee: Three other Fellows appointed by Senate annually on the nomination of the Chair of the Finance Committee** D3

Recommendation

That Senate note that the term of office for the three other Fellows appointed by Senate annually to membership of the Finance Committee, on the nomination of the Chair of the Finance Committee, will now conclude at the May 2006 meeting of Senate, subject to Senate approval of item 5.1.

- 6.13 Schedule of Senate and Senate committee elections/appointments for 2006** D4, D29

Recommendation

That Senate note the schedule.

- 6.14 Notice of election of Deputy Chancellor** D4

Sep. Pink Encl.

Recommendation

That Senate note the report on the election of the Deputy Chancellor at the Senate meeting in February 2006.

- 6.15 Senate representation** D4, D30

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 6.16 Senate Dinner on 8 December 2005** D4

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 6.17 Induction for Fellows, February 2006** D4

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 6.18 Senate retreat, 19-20 February 2006** D5

Recommendation

That Senate note the report

- 6.19 Honorary award acceptances** D5

Recommendation

That Senate note the report that the following have accepted Senate's invitation to receive an honorary award in 2006:

*Baroness Gardner of Parkes AM - Hon Fellow
Dr Jill K Ker Conway – Hon DLitt
Professor Sir Michael Marmot - Hon MD*



7. Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal

Appendix E

- 7.1 Update for Senate's information** E1

7.1.1 General update

7.1.2 Student Organizations and Governance

7.1.3 Voluntary Student Unionism

For action

- 7.2 Edgeworth David Naming Proposal** E1, E8

Recommendation

That Senate resolve that the Old Geology Building, the original workplace of Edgeworth David and former location of the School of Geology, be named the Edgeworth David Geology Building and that the surrounding gardens be redesigned in an appropriate and relevant theme incorporating the existing desert garden environment plaques from the front of the Edgeworth David Building.

- 7.3 Compulsory Sports Fees** E1, E9-10

Recommendation

That Senate

(a) resolve:

- (i) that compulsory sports fees be paid by postgraduate students.*
- (ii) that the level of the fee reflect the enrolment status of the student, i.e., full time postgraduate students pay 100% of the compulsory fee and part-time postgraduate students pay 50% of the compulsory fee paid by undergraduate students.*
- (iii) that the fees be introduced for all postgraduates enrolling in 2007 and beyond.*
- (iv) that a person who has paid five annual subscriptions to Sydney University Sport or either of its predecessor bodies while a student at the University of Sydney be eligible to be a life member and not be required to pay further annual sports fees during the remainder of their period of enrolment as a student.*

(b) amend the relevant Resolutions of the Senate relating to such fees, as set out in the report presented.

For noting

- 7.4 ARC Results** E2
- 7.4.1 Summary**
 - 7.4.2 Discovery**
 - 7.4.3 Linkage Project Grants**
 - 7.4.4 Linkage Infrastructure, Equipment and Facilities**

Recommendation

That Senate note the report

- 7.5 Disestablishment of the School of Architecture, Design Science and Planning** E4

Recommendation

That Senate note the report

- 7.6 Staff Honours** E4

Recommendation

That Senate note the report

- 7.7 Refugee English Program** E5

Recommendation

That Senate note the report

- 7.8 International Visits** E6

Recommendation

That Senate note the report

- 7.9 International** E6

Recommendation

That Senate note the report

7.10 University Relations

E7

Recommendation

That Senate note the report

8. Report of the Finance Committee, 10 November 2005

Appendix F

(Chair: Mr David Hoare)

For action

8.1 Sydney University Sport – 2006 Compulsory Subscription

F1, F4

Recommendation

That Senate approve the 2006 Sydney University Sport Compulsory Subscription fee of \$148.

For noting

8.2 Vice-Chancellor's Report

F1

8.3 CFO Report

F1

8.4 Annual Reports of Foundations/Centres/Student Associations:

F4

- **2004 Annual Report of the Ear and Allied Research Foundation**

Recommendation

That Senate note items 8.2 – 8.4 of the report of the Finance Committee.

9. Report of the Academic Board

**Appendix G
Sep. White. Encl.**

(Chair: Professor John Carter)

9.1 Report of the Academic Board, 2 November 2005

For action

- 9.1.1 Faculty of Arts: Master of Arts in Public History; Master of Letters in Public History; Master of Theology; Master of Theology (Honours); Graduate Diploma in Early Christian Studies; Graduate Diploma in Modern Language Teaching; Graduate Diploma in Public History; Graduate Diploma in Public History (Heritage); Graduate Diploma in Public History (Media); Graduate Certificate in Early Christian Studies; Graduate Certificate in Human Services Management; Graduate Certificate in Modern Language Teaching; and Graduate Certificate in Public History**

G1, G5-6

Recommendation

That Senate approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the degrees, diplomas and certificates in the Faculty of Arts with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out on pages G5-6 of the report presented.

- 9.1.2 Faculty of Economics and Business: Master of Public Affairs; Graduate Diploma in Public Affairs and Graduate Certificate in Public Affairs**

G1, G7-9

The Academic Board recommends that Senate endorse its approval of these amendments and amend the Resolutions of the Senate relating to these courses, with effect from 1 January 2006.

Recommendation

That Senate:

- (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Economics and Business to amend the Master of Public Affairs; Graduate Diploma in Public Affairs and Graduate Certificate in Public Affairs courses; and*

- (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Economics and Business and relating to these courses, with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out on pages G7-9 of the report presented.

9.1.3 Faculty of Health Sciences: Graduate Diploma in Communication Disorders G2, G10-12

Recommendation

That Senate:

- (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to introduce the Graduate Diploma in Communication Disorders courses; and
- (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Health Sciences and the Graduate Diplomas and Graduate Certificates in the Faculty of Health Sciences, with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out on pages G10-12 of the report presented.

9.1.4 Faculty of Veterinary Science: Master of Veterinary Public Health Management G2, G13-14

Recommendation

That Senate:

- (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Veterinary Science to amend the Master of Veterinary Public Health Management course; and
- (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Veterinary Science and relating to this course, with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out on pages G13-14 of the report presented.

For noting

- 9.1.5 Minor course amendments G3
- 9.1.6 Semester and vacation dates G3
- 9.1.7 Promotion of Academic Staff from Level B to Level C G3

Recommendation

That Senate note items 9.1.5 – 9.1.7 of the Report of the Academic Board.

9.2 Report of the Chair of the Academic Board

9.2.1 Report of the AGSM Academic Board, 21 November 2005

For action

9.2.1.1 Master of Business Administration Master of Laws G3

Recommendation

That Senate approve the introduction of the Master of Business Administration Master of Laws program by the AGSM, with effect from 1 January 2007, as set out in the report presented.

9.2.1.2 Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery Master of Business Administration (Executive) G4

Recommendation

That Senate approve the introduction of the Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery Master of Business Administration (Executive) program by the AGSM, with effect from 1 January 2007, as set out in the report presented.

9.2.1.3 Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery Master of Business Administration

G4

Recommendation

That Senate approve the introduction of the Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery Master of Business Administration program by the AGSM, with effect from 1 January 2007, as set out in the report presented.

10. Report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee, 23 November 2005

(Chair: Mr John McCarthy)

Appendix H

For action

10.1 Membership

H1

Recommendation

That Senate re-appoint Mr John Boulton, Mr Peter Montgomery and Ms Ann Titterton to membership of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee in the category "Not less than three alumni representatives, including at least one female alumni representative or alternate, recommended by the Executive Director, SU Sport and appointed by Senate for two years" for a two year term of office.

For noting

10.2 Sydney University Hockey

H1

10.3 Voluntary Student Unionism

H1

10.4 Sydney University Sport report

H2

10.5 Special Arrangements for Examination and Assessment

H2

10.6 Meeting dates for 2006

H2

10.7 Congratulations and Thank you

H2

10.8 Commonwealth Games Homecoming

H2

10.9 Sports / Senate Meeting

H2

Recommendation

That Senate note items 10.2 – 10.9 of the report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee.

11. General business

Appendix I

For action

11.1 Report of the Ear and Allied Research Foundation

I1, I3-4

Recommendation

That Senate approve the membership of the Council of the Foundation and the election of the Council's Office Bearers as set out in the report presented.

11.2 Report of the Endocrinology and Diabetes Research Foundation

I1, I5

Recommendation

That Senate approve the membership of the Council of the Foundation and the election of the Council's Office Bearers as set out in the report presented.

11.3 International House Council

I1

Recommendation

That Senate appoint members of the International House Council as set out in the report presented.

11.4 Report of the Oral Health Foundation I1, I6-7

Recommendation

That Senate approve the membership of the Council of the Foundation and the election of the Council's Office Bearers as set out in the report presented.

11.5 Report of the Save Sight Institute I1, I8-9

Recommendation

That Senate approve the membership of the Council of the Foundation and the election of the Council's Office Bearers as set out in the report presented.

11.6 Sydney University Sport General Committee/ Management Committee I2

Recommendation

That Senate appoint Mr Christopher Noel and Ms Anne Titterton as two representatives of Senate to the Sydney University Sport General Committee/ Management Committee for a one year term of office commencing on 1 January 2006.

11.7 The University of Sydney Union Board of Directors I2

Recommendation

That Senate appoint Associate Professor Anthony F Masters and Ms Merrilee Robb as two representatives of Senate to The University of Sydney Union Board of Directors for a one year term of office commencing on 1 January 2006.

For noting

11.8 Graduation ceremonies (December 2005) I2, I10

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.



12. Notice of motion

Appendix J

12.1 Notice of motion provided by Dr R Fitzsimons

J1

Dr R Fitzsimons has given notice that she intends to move that Senate resolve in the following terms:

That for the purposes of the appointment of the next Senate nomination Committee:-

(A) (i) 'That Senate Nominations Committee be constituted to comprise all elected Fellows of Senate, together with the Vice-Chancellor

OR (in the alternative)

(A) (ii) that the composition of the Nominations Committee be altered to include those ex officio persons named in Clause 48A (e) of the approved 'By-Laws' , together with '7', '6', '5' or '4' other Fellows of Senate (as Senate may determine at the meeting, and subject to Senate determination as to whether or not these need to be 'external').

AND, providing that

(B) Votes shall not be exercised by those committee members whose own membership of Senate is determined by election by Senate or by appointment by Senate.

(C) (i) That the words 'recommended by the nominating committee' be deleted from the provisions in relation to Senate suggestions to the Minister in relation to persons appointed under S 9 (1) (B) of the Act.

(Note - as the minutes of the last meeting are not yet available, I cannot provide a more precise wording here).

OR (in the alternative)

C (ii) That all names suggested to the Nominating Committee by a Fellow of Senate for its consideration in relation to suggestions by Senate for appointed by the Minister, shall be so considered by the committee and then included within any list of recommendations for consideration by Senate in making its final determination in relation to those suggestions.

(D) Senate shall choose those members of the Nomination Committee other than the 'ex officio' members by a secret ballot to be conducted by the Secretary to Senate and after a call for nominations.

12.2 Notice of motion provided by Dr R Fitzsimons

J2

Dr R Fitzsimons has given notice that she intends to move that Senate resolve in the following terms:

That Senate congratulates Sir Charles Mackerras, AC Kt.cr. CBE, on the conferral of the Inaugural Queen's Medal for Music on St Cecilia's Day, and sends its hearty good wishes for his ongoing contribution to the conducting and composing life of the civilized world.

★ **13. Question time**

13.1 Question on notice provided by Professor John Carter

Professor J Carter has given notice of the following question:

May Senate be provided with advice as to how the issues raised in the circulated paper from Green Power might be given consideration by the University.

★ **14. Any other business**

Separate white enclosures for items 4 and 9 appear at the end of the agenda.