



The University of Sydney

Senate agenda, 3 December 2007

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NOTICE OF MEETING

An ordinary meeting of the Senate of the University will be held at **5.00pm** on **Monday 3 December 2007** in the Senate Room. The agenda for the meeting is set out overleaf.

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

Confidential items, for Fellows of Senate and Senior Officers only, are dealt with as the first items on the agenda. Members of the public are invited to be present for all other non-confidential items.

It is estimated that the confidential session will last for 1 hour.

★ This symbol indicates items which have been starred for discussion at the meeting.

Dr W G Adams
Registrar

AGENDA

IN OPEN SESSION:

Highlighted Items

- ☆ 3. **Focus topic: Research outcomes and strategy** **Appendix C**
(Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research), Professor Merlin Crossley; estimated time allocation: 30 minutes)

Recommendation

That Senate note the presentation.

- ☆ 4. **Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal** **Appendix D**
4.1 **Update for Senate's information** **D1**
(Estimated time allocation: 5 minutes)

Recommendation

That Senate note the update.

Items for discussion

- 4.2 **Postgraduate Foundation in Veterinary Science – disestablishment as a Foundation** **D1**

Recommendation

That Senate formally disestablish the Postgraduate Foundation in Veterinary Science.

- 4.3 **Student Association of the Sydney College of the Arts (SASCA)** **D1, 9**

Recommendation

That Senate resolve to disestablish the Student Association of the Sydney College of the Arts (SASCA).

- 4.4 **Membership of Yannadah Governing Council** **D2**

Recommendation

That Senate reappoint Professor Phyllis Watson and appoint Mrs Sally Farrington of the Faculty of Health Sciences as members of the Yannadah Governing Council.

- 4.5 **Chair of the Academic Board – term of appointment** **D2**

Recommendation

That Senate resolve that Professor Bruce Sutton continue as Chair of the Academic Board for the period 1 January 2008 until the declaration of the poll to be conducted for the election of this position.

Items for noting

- 4.6 **THES World University Rankings for 2007** **D3**

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 4.7 **Student Honours** **D3**

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

- 4.8 International** D3
- Recommendation*
That Senate note the report.
- 4.9 Community** D4
- Recommendation*
That Senate note the report.

☆ **5. 2008 Budget** **Appendix E**
(Vice-Chancellor; estimated time allocation: 15 minutes)

- 5.1 2008 Operating Budget** E1
- 5.2 Information Technology Capital Development Program Budget** E2
- 5.3 Capital Development Plan and 2008 Budget** E2
- 5.4 Summary** E3, & 1-27

Recommendation

That Senate approve the 2008 Budget for:

- Operations Budget of \$1,441.3million Revenue and \$1,181.6million Expenditure,
- Capital Development Information Technology Program of \$10.22million Expenditure
- Capital Development Program of \$248.8million Expenditure

Standard items

6. Senate business **Appendix F**

For action

- 6.1 Apologies for absence** F1
- Recommendation*
That Senate accept apologies from Ms I Moss and Mr A Spencer for absence from this meeting.
- 6.2 Minutes of the previous Senate meeting, 5 November 2007** F1, 6-11
- Recommendation*
That Senate confirm the minutes of the Senate meeting held in open session on 5 November 2007 as a true and correct record.
- 6.3 Business arising out of the minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda**
- ☆ **6.4 Fellows of Senate elected by and from the undergraduate and postgraduate students of the University** F1, 12
- Recommendation*
That Senate note the report, congratulate Mr Angus McFarland and Ms Jenny Leong on their election as Fellows of Senate by and from the undergraduate students and postgraduate students respectively to hold office from 1 December 2007 to 30 November 2008, and welcome them to the meeting.
- ☆ **6.5 Senate Retreat** F1
- Recommendation*
For consideration

For noting

- 6.6 Notice of election of Deputy Chancellor, 4 February 2008** F1,
Pink Sep Encl for Fellows
- Recommendation**
That Senate note the report.
- 6.7 Notice of election of Chairs of Senate committees, 4 February 2008** F2,
Green Sep Encl for Fellows
- 6.7.1 Audit and Risk Management Committee**
6.7.2 Finance and Infrastructure Committee
6.7.3 Investment and Commercialisation Committee
- Recommendation**
That Senate note the report.
- 6.8 Notice of election of members of Senate committees, 4 February 2008** F3,
Grey Sep Encl for Fellows
- 6.8.1 Advisory Committee for Honorary Awards (6 members)**
6.8.2 Chair Appointments Committee (5 members)
6.8.3 Senate/Sports Liaison Committee (not less than 3 members)
- Recommendation**
That Senate note the report.
- 6.9 Notice of appointment of members of Senate committees, 4 February 2008** F4
- 6.9.1 Remuneration and Benefits Committee**
6.9.2 Senate/Sports Liaison Committee
- Recommendation**
That Senate note the report.
- 6.10 Schedule for remaining Senate Committee memberships** F5
- Recommendation**
That Senate note the report.
- 6.11 Induction for Fellows** F5
- Recommendation**
That Senate note the report.
- 6.12 Senate representation** F6, 15-16
- Recommendation**
That Senate note the report.
- 6.13 Next meeting** F6
- Recommendation**
That Senate note that the next Senate meeting will be held at 5.00pm on 4 February 2008 in the Senate Room, Quadrangle.

7. Report of the Academic Board, 21 November 2007

Appendix G

(Chair: Professor Bruce Sutton)

For action

7.1 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate

7.1.1 Faculty of Economics and Business: Master of Philosophy in Economics

G1, 4-5

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 Philosophy in Economics; and*

(b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the course*

with effect from 1 January 2008, as set out on pages G4-5 of the report presented.

7.1.2 Faculty of Health Sciences: Bachelor of Health Sciences

G1, 6

Recommendation

That Senate:

(a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to amend the Bachelor of Health Sciences; and*

(b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the course*

with effect from 1 January 2008, as set out on page G6 of the report presented.

7.1.3 Sydney College of the Arts: Master of Contemporary Arts for Educators

G2, 7-8

Recommendation

That Senate:

(a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Sydney College of the Arts to delete the Master of Contemporary Arts for Educators;*

(b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees in the Sydney College of the Arts; and*

(c) *rescind the Resolutions of Senate relating to the course with effect from 1 January 2008, as set out on pages G7-8 of the report presented.*

For noting

7.2 Minor course amendments

G2

7.3 Policy Amendments

G3

7.4 Other Items

G3

Recommendation

That Senate note items 7.2- 7.4 of the report of the Academic Board.

8. Report of the Finance & Infrastructure Committee, 13 November 2007

Appendix H

(Chair: Mr Alec Brennan)

For noting

8.1 Financial Report

H1, 3-4

8.1.1 September 2007 Results

8.1.2 Proposed Write Off

8.1.2.1 Sydney University Sport Loan

8.1.2.2 Welding Technology Innovations Pty Ltd Royalty Debt

8.1.2.3 Australian Photonics Debt

8.2	Abercrombie Precinct Project Progress Report	H1
8.3	Next Meeting	H1
8.4	Any Other Business	H2
8.4.1	Disclosure of research grants in the Annual Financial Report	

Recommendation

That Senate note the report of the Finance and Infrastructure Committee.

9. Report of the Investment & Commercialisation Committee, 7 November 2007 **Appendix I**
(Chair: Mr Joseph Skrzynski)

For noting

9.1	Investment Systems – Update	I1
9.2	Asset Sector and Aggregate Benchmarks Review	I1
9.3	Reserving Policy	I1
9.4	Peer Performance Review	I1
9.5	Sydnovate Fund – Crediting Rate	I1
9.6	Sydnovate – Fund Report	I1
9.7	Sydnovate – Agreements Update	I1
9.8	Sydnovate – Patents and Agreements Statistics	I1
9.9	Sydnovate – IP Sharing Model with Area Health Services	I2
9.10	Investment Performance – September 2007 Quarterly Report	I2
9.11	Investment Performance – September 2007 Mercer Quarterly Report	I2
9.12	Market Outlook – Equity Market	I2
9.13	Market Outlook – Currency Market	I2
9.14	Long Term Funds – Asset Allocation	I2
9.15	Growth Pool	I2
9.16	Debt Investments – Compliance Report and Update	I3
9.17	Other Investments – Commercial Subsidiaries and Non-Portfolio Investments	I3
9.18	Livingston Farm	I3
9.19	Arthursleigh Farm	I3
9.20	McGarvie Smith/Fleurs	I3
9.21	Commercial Property	I3

Recommendation

That Senate note the report of the Investment & Commercialisation Committee.

10. Report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee, 31 October 2007 **Appendix J**
(Chair: Mr John McCarthy)

For noting

10.1	Apologies	J1
10.2	Report to Senate of the previous meeting of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee	J1
10.3	Business arising from the report	J1
9.3.1	SU Sport budget submission	
10.4	SU Sport report	J1
10.5	2008 Meeting schedule	J1

Recommendation

That Senate note the report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee.

11. General business

Appendix K

For action

11.1 International House Council

K1

Recommendation

That Senate appoint members of the International House Council for the terms of office specified, commencing on 1 January 2008, as follows:

- **One other Fellow of Senate, appointed annually, for a one year term of office:**
Professor Margaret Harris (to 31 December 2008)
- **One person nominated by SUIH Alumni Association appointed annually:**
Mr G de Graaff (to 31 December 2008)
- **Three persons nominated by SUIH Members Association appointed annually:**
Mr S Bhatia (to 31 December 2008)
Mr J Ribot (to 31 December 2008)
Ms S Yari (to 31 December 2008)
- **Up to nine other persons each appointed for three years of whom three shall retire each year:**
Ms D North (to 31 December 2010)

11.2 Sydney University Sport General Committee/ Management Committee

K1

Recommendation

That Senate re-appoint Mr Christopher Noel and Ms Anne Titterton, who have indicated their willingness to be reappointed, to the Sydney University Sport General Committee/ Management Committee as the two representatives of Senate for a one year term of office commencing on 1 January 2008.

11.3 The University of Sydney Union Board of Directors

K1

Recommendation

That Senate re-appoint Ms Kaye Denning AM and Mr Sam Weiss, subject to their agreement, to the University of Sydney Union Board of Directors as the two representatives of Senate for a one year term of office commencing on 1 January 2008.

For noting

11.4 Graduation ceremonies (December 2007)

K2

Recommendation

That Senate note the report.

☆ 12. Question time (Estimated time allocation: 15 minutes)

☆ 13. Any other business