



# The University of Sydney

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## Senate agenda, 4 May 2009

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### NOTICE OF MEETING

An ordinary meeting of the Senate of the University will be held at **5.00pm** on **Monday 4 May 2009** 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.

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

Dr W Adams  
**Secretary to Senate**

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## AGENDA

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### Non-confidential items

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- 5. Procedural matters** **Appendix B**
- 5.1 Apologies for absence**
- Recommendation*  
That Senate accept apologies.
- 5.2 Minutes of the previous Senate meeting held in open session on 16 March 2009**
- Recommendation*  
That Senate confirm the minutes as a true and correct record.
- 5.3 Business arising out of the minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda**
- 6. Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal** **Appendix C**
- Recommendation*  
That Senate note the following reports:
- ☆ **6.1 Update for Senate's information**
- ☆ **6.2 Vice-Chancellor's and Provost's Business**
- 6.3 Research**
- 6.4 Education**
- 6.4.1 Definition of a student**
- Recommendation:*  
That Senate approve amendments to the By-law, Rules and Resolutions of Senate in relation to the definition of "student".
- 6.5 Finance, Infrastructure and ICT**
- 6.5.1 St Michael's College site**
- Recommendation*  
That Senate approve the transfer of lands in relation to the site of St Michael's College to the Catholic Church.
- 6.5.2 Campus Access Rule**
- Recommendation*  
That Senate adopt the University of Sydney (Campus Access) Rule.
- 6.6 International and External Relations**
- 6.6.5 Recommendations from the Nomenclature Committee**
- Recommendation*  
That Senate approve the recommendations from the Nomenclature Committee.
- 6.7 Human Resources**
- 6.7.1 Deanship in Architecture, Design and Planning**
- Recommendation:*  
That Senate approve the selection committee for the Deanship in Architecture, Design and Planning.
- 6.7.2 Award Ad Eundem Gradum**
- Recommendation:*  
That Senate admit Dr Harley Athol Rose to the degree of Master of Science in Agriculture ad eundem gradum.

7. **Report of the Academic Board, 10 March 2009** **Appendix D**  
(Chair: Professor Bruce Sutton)
- Recommendation**  
That Senate note the Report.
8. **Report of the Academic Board, 15 April 2009** **Appendix E**  
(Chair: Professor Bruce Sutton)
- ★ 8.1 **Report of the Chair of the Academic Board**
- Recommendation**  
That Senate note the report.
- For action**
- 8.2 **University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended)**  
8.3 **Constitution of the Board of Studies in Indigenous Studies**  
8.4 **Faculty of Arts**  
8.5 **Faculty of Medicine**  
8.6 **Faculty of Science**
- Recommendation**  
That Senate resolve as recommended, and note items 8.7-8.9 of the Report.
9. **Report of the Finance and Infrastructure Committee, 18 March 2009** **Appendix F**  
(Chair: Mr Alec Brennan)
- Recommendation**  
That Senate note the Report.
10. **Report of the Investment and Commercialisation Committee, 11 March 2009** **Appendix G**  
(Chair: Mr Joseph Skrzynski)
- Recommendation**  
That Senate note the Report.
11. **Report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee, 7 April 2009** **Appendix H**  
(Chair: Mr John McCarthy)
- Recommendation**  
That Senate note the Report.
12. **Report of the Senate/Student Associations Liaison Committee, 10 March 2009** **Appendix I**  
(Chair: Chancellor)
- Recommendation**  
That Senate note the Report.

**13. Senate business**

**Appendix J**

**For action**

- 13.1 Farewell to Professor Iqbal Ramzan**  
(Chancellor)

**Recommendation**

*That Senate place on record its formal appreciation for the contribution made by retiring Fellow of Senate, Professor Iqbal Ramzan, who did not re-nominate for election.*

**For noting**

- 13.2 Senate action sheet, 5 May 2009**  
**13.3 Audit and Risk Management Committee: Membership**  
(Chair: Deputy Chancellor)

**13.4 Senate representation**

**13.5 Next meeting**

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note the reports.*

**14. General business**

**Appendix K**

- 14.1 Graduation ceremonies (May and June 2009)**

**Recommendation**

*That Senate note the report.*



**15. Notice of motion**

- 15.1 Provided by the Deputy Chancellor (deferred)**

The Deputy Chancellor had given notice of the following motion:

That Senate resolve

(1) that the usual order for regular Senate meetings after the Effective Date be

1.45pm - Chair Appointments committee

3.00pm - afternoon tea

3.15pm - Senate confidential session, including a Fellows only session at every second meeting

4.30pm - open meeting commences - to conclude by 6.30, 6.45 at the latest with a 7pm dinner with guest say at every second meeting - a relevant guest;

(2) that this schedule be notified on the Senate website and directly in all notices seeking nominations for election or appointment to the Senate; and

(3) that the Effective Date be the 1st day of January 2010, or the date of the second meeting in 2009 after the last Fellow in office as at the adoption of these arrangements who notifies the Secretary to Senate that they are inconvenient, leaves office or notifies him that they are prepared to accept the schedule.

At the March meeting, after a short discussion and a number of straw polls to gauge Fellows' leanings, the Vice-Chancellor formally proposed that meetings of Senate commence at 3:30 p.m. Ten Fellows voted in favour of the proposal, seven voted against and four abstained. The Vice-Chancellor suggested that a timetable be developed based on the earlier starting time. Some Fellows expressed concern that candidates standing for the current election had not been advised that the meeting

time was to be altered, and it was agreed that the matter would be further considered at the Retreat.

Note: Time constraints at the Senate retreat prevented this matter being discussed.

- ★ 16. **Question time** **Appendix L**
  - 16.1 **Response to question from Ms Kim Wilson (*deferred from the previous meeting*)**
  - 16.2 **Question from Dr Robyn Fitzsimons (*deferred from the previous meeting*)**
  
- ★ 17. **Any other business**