



## Senate Minutes Summary, 1 May 2000

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*At the meeting on 1 May 2000*

1. **Confidential items**
2. **Routine Business**
  - 2.1 **Starring**

Senate resolved as recommended with respect to all unstarred items.
  - 2.2 **Minutes of the previous meeting**

Senate confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 6 March 2000 as a true and correct record.
  - 2.3 **Business arising out of the minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda**

There was no business arising.
3. **Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal**
  - 3.1 **Amendment of the GSB Foundation Constitution**

Senate approved the amendment of the constitution and the renaming of the Foundation for the Graduate School of Business as the University of Sydney Foundation for Graduate Business.
  - 3.2 **Loxton Bequest**

Senate resolved, for the reasons outlined in the report and pursuant to s25(1) of the University of Sydney Act 1989, that it was inexpedient to carry out and observe the terms of the trust created by the F.H. Loxton Bequest, and to request the Minister to effect the variation of the terms of the trust to remove the restriction on gender.
  - 3.3 **Carslaw Cascade Trust**

Senate noted the report that that the Minister, in accordance with Section 25 of the *University of Sydney Act* 1989 and with the concurrence of the Attorney General, had agreed that the "Carslaw Cascade Trust" be varied as requested by Senate at its meeting on 7 June 1999.
  - 3.4 **Establishment of Department of Radiology**

Senate noted the report that the Vice-Chancellor had approved the establishment of the Department of Radiology within the Faculty of Medicine.
  - 3.5 **Student Associations Implementation Group**

Senate noted the report that, further to Senate's consideration of the recommendations of the Working Party on Student Associations on 6 March 2000, the Vice-Chancellor had established a small Implementation Group, consisting of Professor Eltis (as Chair), Dr Adams and Mrs Kok, to develop formal procedures for implementation which would be brought back to Senate through the Finance Committee.
  - 3.6 **Information Technology Forum**

Senate noted the report on issues and directions identified at the forum on information technology for senior academic and administrative staff held on 24 and 25 February 2000, and that a detailed report on Information Technology issues would come forward for Senate's consideration through the Finance Committee.

### **3.7 Sesquicentenary Update**

Senate noted an updated summary of Sesquicentenary projects, planned, in progress and “possible”.

### **3.8 Donations and Bequests**

Senate noted the report on new bequest funds received in the calendar year 1999 as well as investment income from bequests, and that more detailed information would be provided to the next meeting of Senate.

### **3.9 Staff Honours**

Senate congratulated Adjunct Professor B Armstrong of the Department of Public Health and Community Medicine and Professor P Reeves of the Department of Microbiology on their election to the Australian Academy of Science; and Professor S Rees of the Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies on his receipt of an honorary doctorate from Soka University in Japan.

## **4. Report of the Finance Committee, 19 April 2000 (*items for action*)**

### **4.1 Report, Vice-Chancellor**

#### **4.1.1 Proposal to Name Parts of the RC Mills Building**

Senate

(i) approved the following:

- The Library functions of the Power Institute to be named the “Schaeffer Fine Arts Library”
- The lower north area of the Library to be designated the “Fern Family Reading Room”
- Rooms on the Mezzanine Floor to be named as follows:
  - Discussion Room 01: Gene and Brian Sherman/Contemporary Australian Art
  - Discussion Room 02: The Ian Potter Foundation Room
  - Discussion Room 03: Nineteenth Century Art Room
- Signage arrangements as provided in the proposal; and

(ii) noted the Vice-Chancellor’s intention that a set of protocols for naming rights to Chairs, buildings etc be developed in relation to donations and bequests, provided that it was also noted that to be too explicit could be embarrassing to the University.

## **5. Report of the Academic Board, 15 March 2000 (*items for action*)**

### **5.1 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate and approval of Delegations of Authority**

#### **5.1.1 Prizes and Scholarships**

Senate:

- (i) noted the policy entitled ‘Establishment and Award of Scholarships and Prizes’ which had been approved by the Board;
- (ii) rescinded the following Resolutions of the Senate with immediate effect, noting that the subject matter therein was expressed in the new policy, ‘Establishment and Award of Scholarships and Prizes’:
- Establishment and Award of Scholarships and Prizes (p 122, Calendar 1999, Vol 1),
  - Undergraduate Scholarships (p 122, Calendar 1999, Vol 1) and
  - Travelling Scholarships Awarded by the University (p 122, Calendar 1999, Vol 1); and
- (iii) approved the Delegations of Academic Authority relating to Prizes and Scholarships as set out in the report.

### **5.2 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate**

#### **5.2.1 New or amended courses**

**5.2.1.1 Faculty of Science: Master of Quantitative Marine Ecology, Graduate Diploma in Quantitative Marine Ecology, Graduate Certificate in Quantitative Marine Ecology**

Senate:

- (i) approved the proposal from the Faculty of Science for the introduction from July Semester 2000 of the new courses, the Master of Quantitative Marine Ecology, the Graduate Diploma in Quantitative Marine Ecology and the Graduate Certificate in Quantitative Marine Ecology; and
- (ii) amended the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the above courses, with effect from 1 July 2000, as set out in the report.

#### **5.2.1.2 Faculty of Science: Graduate Diploma in Psychology**

Senate:

- (i) approved the proposal from the Faculty of Science for the introduction in July Semester 2000 of the new course, the Graduate Diploma in Psychology; and
- (ii) amended the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the above course, with effect from 1 July 2000, as set out in the report.

### **6. General items (*items for action*)**

#### **6.1 Leave of absence**

Mr K Greene gave an apology for absence from this meeting.

#### **6.2 Election of one Undergraduate and one Postgraduate Student Fellow of Senate**

Senate approved the proposed polling day for the following elections:

one Undergraduate Student Fellow of Senate: Friday 27 October 2000

one Postgraduate Student Fellow of Senate: Friday 27 October 2000

#### **6.3 Academic dress**

##### **6.3.1 Faculty of Agriculture**

Senate approved the academic dress for the degree of Bachelor of Horticultural Science in the Faculty of Agriculture and approved Resolutions of the Senate relating to academic dress as recommended.

##### **6.3.2 Faculty of Law**

Senate approved the academic dress for the following new masters degrees and graduate diplomas in the Faculty of Law and approved Resolutions of the Senate relating to academic dress as recommended:

Master of Administrative Law and Policy

Master of Asian and Pacific Legal Systems

Master of Health Law

Master of International Law

Master of International Taxation

Graduate Diploma in Corporate, Securities and Finance Law

Graduate Diploma in Criminology

Graduate Diploma in Environmental Law

Graduate Diploma in International Business

Graduate Diploma in International

Graduate Diploma in Jurisprudence

Graduate Diploma of Law

Graduate Diploma in Taxation

#### **6.4 Advisory Committee for the Centre for Continuing Education**

Senate appointed members of the Advisory Committee for the Centre for Continuing Education for a one year term of office as recommended, and resolved to thank the former members of the Advisory Committee for their valued service.

#### **6.5 Bequests, donations, non-government grants and gifts-in-kind, February and March 2000**

Senate accepted with gratitude the various bequests, donations, non-government grants and gifts-in-kind received in February and March 2000.

7. **Question Time**  
Senate noted questions and responses in relation to:
  - 7.1 **Senate/SRC Liaison Committee Report**
  - 7.2 **Faculty of Medicine restructure**
  
8. **Report of the Finance Committee, 16 March 2000 (*items for noting*)**
  - 8.1 **Confidential items**
  - 8.2 **Minutes of the Meeting held on 17 February 2000**
  - 8.3 **Business Arising out of the Minutes**
    - 8.3.1 **Child Care**
  - 8.4 **Report, Director, Financial Services**
    - 8.4.1 **Annual Financial Report, 31 December 1999**
    - 8.4.2 **Monthly Financial Management Report for February 2000**
    - 8.4.3 **GST Update – Report No. 7**
    - 8.4.4 **Unconfirmed Minutes of the Investment Committee meeting of 24 February 2000**
  - 8.5 **Report, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Planning & Resources**
    - 8.5.1 **2000 and 2001 Budgets Progress Report No.2**
    - 8.5.2 **Facilities Management Office 2000 Works Program as at February 2000**
  - 8.6 **Any Other Business**
    - 8.6.1 **Appointment of a member of the Finance Committee to the Tender Board**
  - 8.7 **Next Meeting**
  
9. **Report of the Finance Committee, 19 April 2000 (*items for noting*)**
  - 9.1 **Confidential items**
  - 9.2 **Minutes of the Meeting held on 16 March 2000**
  - 9.3 **Business Arising out of the Minutes**
  - 9.4 **Report, Director, Financial Services**
    - 9.4.1 **Annual Financial Report for 31 December 1999**
    - 9.4.2 **Monthly Financial Management Report for March 2000**
    - 9.4.3 **GST Update – Report No. 8**
  - 9.5 **Report, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Planning and Resources**
    - 9.5.1 **Central Occupational Health and Safety Committee – Quarterly Report**
    - 9.5.2 **2000 and 2001 Budgets Progress Report No.3**
    - 9.5.3 **Facilities Management Office 2000 Works Program as at February 2000**
    - 9.5.4 **Smartcard**
  - 9.6 **Any Other Business**
    - 9.6.1 **Australia Week in London**
    - 9.6.2 **Corroboree 2000**
  - 9.7 **Next Meeting**
  
10. **Report of the Academic Board, 15 March 2000 (*items for noting*)**
  - 10.1 **Report of the Chair**
    - 10.1.1 **Academic Board activities, 1999**
  
11. **Report of the Senate/SUPRA Liaison Committee, 14 March 2000 (*items for noting*)**
  - 11.1 **Minimum resources for postgraduate students**
  - 11.2 **Student Association Working Party**
  - 11.3 **Quality in postgraduate coursework**
  - 11.4 **13 week semester**
  - 11.5 **Next Meeting**
  - 11.6 **Any other business**
  
12. **General items (*items for noting*)**
  - 12.1 **Graduation Ceremonies (May/June 2000)**  
Senate noted the report.

**12.2 Discipline of Students 1999 – Report for 1999**

Senate noted the report.

**12.3 Boundary Lane Children’s Centre**

Senate noted the report on the Boundary Lane Children’s Centre’s being awarded a three-year, high-quality accreditation by the National Accreditation Council and achieving the maximum rating possible in every one of the 52 items on the Accreditation Council’s checklist, and resolved to congratulate the Director, staff and Council on this outstanding achievement.

**13. Any other business**

**13.1 Senate Colloquia**

The Deputy Chancellor asked that time be made at the beginning of future Senate Colloquia for Senate minutes of the previous meeting to be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 6.05pm.