



Senate Minutes Summary, 7 August 2000

At the meeting on 7 August 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 Senate meeting, 5 June 2000**

Senate confirmed the minutes of the previous Senate meeting held on 5 June 2000 as a true and correct record.
 - 2.3 Senate Colloquium, 3 July 2000**

Senate noted the report on the Senate Colloquium, 3 July 2000.
 - 2.4 Business arising out of the minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda**
 - 2.4.1 Library hours during the Olympics**

Senate noted a question relating to Library hours during the Olympics.
- 3. Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal**
 - 3.1 Use of Appeal Funds Raised for the Chair of Australian Literature**

Senate approved the use of the appeal funds held in the Chair of Australian Literature Account to support the teaching of Australian literature, as requested by the Head of the Department of English and approved by the Dean from time to time, until some alternative determination is recommended.
 - 3.2 Restructure of the Department of Educational Development and Evaluation**

Senate approved the renaming of the Department of Educational Development and Evaluation as the Department of Medical Education.
 - 3.3 Establishment of the Centre for Heavy Metals Research**

Senate noted the report on the Vice-Chancellor's approval of the establishment of the Centre for Heavy Metals Research.
 - 3.4 Centre for Regional Education, Orange**

Senate noted the report on the Centre for Regional Education, Orange, including the cooperation with the Western Institute of TAFE and the support for the development phase which came equally from the University, DETYA and the NSW Department of Education.
 - 3.5 Overcrowding**

Senate noted the report of the task force established to investigate issues of overcrowding and tutorial quality, which the Vice-Chancellor would discuss with the Senior Executive Group with a view to implementing various recommendations.
 - 3.6 Implementation of Revised Harassment Procedures**

Senate noted the report.

3.7 SUPRA Survey of Postgraduate Coursework Students

Senate noted the report on the SUPRA Survey of Postgraduate Coursework Students.

3.8 Development and Sesquicentenary Activities

Senate noted the report on priorities of the Director of Development and External Affairs with respect to Sesquicentenary activities and projects recently put into train.

3.9 Overseas Activities

Senate noted the report on the Vice-Chancellor's overseas activities during the period 23 June and 30 July 2000.

3.10 Asiaweek League Tables

Senate noted the report on the Asiaweek League Tables.

4. Report of the Finance Committee, 20 July 2000 (*items for action*)

4.1 Report, Acting Vice-Chancellor

4.1.1 2000 Mid-Year Consolidated Budget

Senate

- (i) noted that the 2000 Mid-Year Consolidated Budget incorporates expenditure approved since November 1999 and the latest available information (on research grants and fee income); and
- (ii) resolved that the 2000 Mid-Year Consolidated Budget be used as the benchmark for further reporting.

4.1.2 2000 Mid-Year Review of Capital Development Program

Senate approved the 2000 Mid-Year Review of Capital Development Program.

5. Report of the Academic Board, 14 June 2000 (*items for action*)

5.1 Amendment of the Rules of the Senate

5.1.1 University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999 (as amended): Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

Senate approved the amendment of the University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999 (as amended), with effect from the date of promulgation, as recommended in the shaded box on page E7 of the report.

5.2 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate

5.2.1 Faculty constitutions

5.2.1.1 Faculty of Economics and Business

Senate approved the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Constitution of the Faculty of Economics and Business, with immediate effect, as recommended in the shaded box on page E8 of the report.

5.2.1.2 Faculty of Medicine

Senate approved the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Constitution of the Faculty of Medicine with immediate effect, as recommended in the shaded box on page E9 of the report.

5.2.2 Proposals for new or amended courses

5.2.2.1 Faculty of Education: Bachelor of Education (Design and Technology)

Senate approved:

- (i) the proposal from the Faculty of Education for the introduction in 2001 of the new course, the Bachelor of Education (Design and Technology); and
- (ii) the amendment of existing Resolutions of the Senate, and new Resolutions of the Senate relating to the new course made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Undergraduate Courses) Rule 1999, with effect from January 2001, as recommended in the shaded box on page E10 of the report.

5.2.2.2 Faculty of Medicine: Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery

Senate approved the amendment of the 1997 Resolutions of the Senate relating to the award of honours in the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery, with immediate effect, as recommended in the shaded box on page E4 of the report.

5.2.2.3 Faculty of Rural Management: Master of Sustainable Agriculture

Senate approved:

- (i) the proposal from the Faculty of Rural Management for the introduction in Semester 2, 2000 of the new course, the Master of Sustainable Agriculture; and
- (ii) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the new course, with effect from Semester 2, 2000, as recommended in the shaded box on pages E11-13 of the report.

5.2.3 Student Membership of Faculties

5.2.3.1 Faculty of Agriculture

Senate approved the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to student membership of the Faculty of Agriculture, with immediate effect, as recommended in the shaded box on page E5 of the report.

5.2.3.2 Faculty of Medicine

Senate approved the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to student membership of the Faculty of Medicine, with immediate effect, as recommended in the shaded box on page E14 of the report.

6. Notice of motions

This item was considered in the Confidential section.

7. General items (*items for action*)

7.1 Leave of absence

Senate granted the leave requested.

7.2 Senate Colloquium, 4 September 2000

Senate resolved that the topic for the September Colloquium be "The University: Its Performance and its Goals".

7.3 Report of the Earth Resources Foundation

7.3.1 Membership of the Council

Senate approved the election of members of the Council of the Foundation, as recommended.

7.4 Report of the Pharmacy Practice Foundation

7.4.1 Appointment of Council

Senate approved the appointment and election of members of the Council of the Foundation, as recommended.

7.4.2 Election of President and Deputy President

Senate approved the re-election of Mr W J Wilkinson AM as President and Mrs R Figgis Close and Mr P Mahoney as Vice Presidents of the Foundation and of the Council for the period to the next Annual General Meeting.

7.4.3 Co-opted Members of Council

Senate approved the co-option of the following members of the Council of the Foundation for the period to the next Annual General Meeting:

Professor C Armour

Professor J A Brien

Mr J Bell.

7.5 Report of the Poultry Research Foundation

Senate approved the election of the President and the Deputy President of the Foundation and of the Council and the election of members of the Council for the period to the next Annual General Meeting, as recommended.

7.6 Report of the Science Foundation for Physics

Senate approved the election of Mr Graham Hall as an Honorary Governor to the Council of the Foundation.

7.7 Sydney University Sports Union

Senate approved the amendments to the Sydney University Sports Union Constitution as recommended.

7.8 Sydney University Women's Sports Association

Senate approved the amendments to the Sydney University Women's Sports Association Constitution as recommended.

7.9 The University of Sydney Union

Senate approved the amendments to the University of Sydney Union Constitution as recommended.

7.10 Report of the Board of The Warren Centre for Advanced Engineering

Senate approved the appointment of Mr Bill Trestrail as Governor and of the following Directors of the Foundation:

Mr Michael Quinn

Mr Michael Johnson

R/A David Holthouse

7.11 Bequests, donations, non-government grants and gifts-in-kind, May and June 2000

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

8. Question Time

Senate noted questions and responses in relation to the following: the formal dinner to celebrate sesquicentenary of first Senate meeting, Saturday 3 February 2001; the Cumberland Student Guild; an Honorary Award; and the "What makes a Champion?" Conference.

9. Report of the Finance Committee, 15 June 2000 (*items for noting*)

Senate noted the report on the following:

- 9.1 Minutes of the regular meeting held on 18 May 2000**
- 9.2 Business arising out of the minutes**
- 9.3 Report, Director, Financial Services**
 - 9.3.1 Monthly Financial Management Report for May 2000**
 - 9.3.2 GST Update – Report No.10**
 - 9.3.3 Central OHS Committee Report**
 - 9.3.4 Unconfirmed Minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 19 May 2000 and of the Investment Committee meeting held on Thursday 25 May 2000**
 - 9.3.5 1999 Annual Reports**
 - **Foundation For Information Technology**
 - **Foundation for Inorganic Chemistry within the University of Sydney**
 - **Medical Foundation**
 - **Poultry Research Foundation**
 - **Student Association of Sydney College of the Arts (SASCA)**
 - **Sydney University Sports Union Annual Report**
 - **Sydney University Women’s Sports Association (SUWSA)**
- 9.4 Report, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Planning and Resources**
 - 9.4.1 Institute Building and Press Building – Status Report on Recent Works, Current and Proposed Uses**
 - 9.4.2 Facilities Management Office 2000 Works Program as at 29 May 2000**
 - 9.4.3 2000 and 2001 Budgets Progress Report No. 4**
- 9.5 Report, Assistant Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Information Technology)**
 - 9.5.1 Information Technology and the New Education Market**
- 9.6 Any other business**
 - 9.6.1 Salary supplementation**
 - 9.6.2 Briefing papers to Fellows**
- 9.7 Next Meeting**

10. Report of the Finance Committee, 20 July 2000 (*items for noting*)

Senate noted the report on the following:

- 10.1 Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on 15 June 2000**
- 10.2 Business Arising out of the Minutes**
 - 10.2.1 Institute Building and Press Building – Status Report on Recent Works, Current and proposed uses**
- 10.3 Report, Acting Vice-Chancellor**
 - 10.3.1 Salary Supplementation (2%) – Commonwealth Government Workplace Reform Program**
- 10.4 Report, Director, Financial Services**
 - 10.4.1 Monthly Financial Management Report for June 2000**
 - 10.4.2 GST Update – Report No. 11**
 - 10.4.3 1999 Annual Reports**
 - **Dermatology Research Foundation 1999 Research Report**
 - **SUPRA**
 - **The University of Sydney Union**
- 10.5 Report, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Planning and Resources**
 - 10.5.1 Facilities Management Office 2000 Works Program as at 30 June 2000**
 - 10.5.2 2000 and 2001 Budgets Progress Report No. 5**
- 10.6 Any other business**

10.7 Next meeting

11. Report of the Academic Board, 14 June 2000 (*items for noting*)

Senate noted the report on the following:

11.1 Working Party on Rural Programs Committee

11.2 University of Sydney Association of Professors (USAP)

11.3 Shaping Undergraduate Courses

12. Report of the Senate/SUPRA Liaison Committee, 13 June 2000 (*items for noting*)

12.1 SUPRA's report on its survey of quality in coursework at the University

Senate noted the report.

13. Any other business

There was no other business.