



# The University of Sydney

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## Senate meeting & Colloquium minutes summary, 1 July 2002

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*At the ordinary meeting and Colloquium held on 1 July 2002:*

- ★ 1. **Addition or deletion of confidential items**
- 2. **Senate business**
  - ★ 2.1 **Starring**

**Resolution 247/02**  
Senate resolved as recommended with respect to all unstarred items.
  - 2.2 **Minutes of the previous Senate meeting, 3 June 2002**

**Resolution 248/02**  
Senate confirmed the minutes of the Senate meeting held on 3 June 2002 as a true and correct record.
  - ★ 2.3 **Business arising out of the minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda**

Dr Fitzsimons asked that consideration of item 2.12 from the June minutes, relating to responses to her questions on international matters, be deferred to the next meeting.
  - 2.4 **Leave of absence**

**Resolution 249/02**  
Senate granted leave of absence to the Chair of the Academic Board as requested and noted that Deputy Chair Associate Professor Russell Ross would attend the Senate meeting.
  - ★ 2.5 **Honours and distinctions**

**Resolution 250/02**  
Senate congratulated the Deputy Chancellor on having been appointed an Officer in the General Division of the Order of Australia honours list announced on the Queen's Birthday.
  - ★ 2.6 **Foundation Return Scholarships for leading young Australian Expatriate Researchers or others with demonstrated commitment to Australia**

**Resolution 251/02**  
Senate noted the report.
  - 2.7 **Review of Higher Education**

**Resolution 252/02**  
Senate noted the email from the SRC President to the Chancellor, and the responses from the Chancellor and the Acting Vice-Chancellor.
  - 2.8 **By-laws update**

**Resolution 253/02**

Senate noted the report.

☆ **2.9 Schedule for the visit to Hong Kong and the United Kingdom by the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor**

**Resolution 254/02**

Senate noted the tabled report.

☆ **2.10 Functions attended by the Chancellor and Fellows of Senate in the last month**

**Resolution 255/02**

Senate noted the report of the functions attended by the Chancellor and Fellows of Senate in the last month.

☆ **2.11 Higher Education Review**

**Resolution 256/02**

Senate noted the Chancellor's report and the presentations given on top-up HECS by Mr Daniel Kyriacou and Professor Jeremy Webber.

☆ **3. Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal**

**3.1 Update for Senate's information**

**3.1.1 Medical indemnity**

**Resolution 257/02**

Senate noted the report.

**3.1.2 Scholarships**

**Resolution 258/02**

Senate noted the report.

**3.2 Ellis Le Geyt Troughton Bequest**

**Resolution 259/02**

Senate approved the proposal by the Bequest Advisory Committee that \$750,000 from the Ellis Le Geyt Troughton Bequest be used for the redevelopment of the Badham Library and an appropriately worded plaque acknowledge the source of funds.

**3.3 Sesquicentenary Inauguration Celebrations**

**Resolution 260/02**

Senate approved the program for the Sesquicentenary Inauguration Celebrations to be held from 11 to 13 October as submitted, with the exception of the Garden Party and the Sound and Light Show, and with the budget definitely not to exceed \$350K.

**3.4 Higher Education Review**

**Resolution 261/02**

Senate noted the report on the Higher Education Review.

**3.5 Centre for Rural Change Management**

**Resolution 262/02**

Senate noted that the report that the name of the Professional Services Unit in the Faculty of Rural Management had been changed to the Centre for Rural Change Management.

**3.6 Student/Staff ratios****Resolution 263/02**

Senate noted the report on student/staff ratios for the University of Sydney.

**3.7 International Visits****Resolution 264/02**

Senate noted the report that the Vice-Chancellor had been overseas for the previous week attending a meeting of the Association of Pacific Rim Universities at the University of California (Berkeley) and the International Forum at Nagoya University.

**3.8 Centre for Regional Education, Orange****Resolution 265/02**

Senate noted the report that the Minister for Education and Training had indicated his support for the Centre for Regional Education, Orange and was hoping a re-launch of the project might be organised for 1 August.

**3.9 Good Universities Guide****Resolution 266/02**

Senate noted the report on the *Good Universities Guide* and that the University would continue its dialogue with the *Guide's* publishers in an effort to improve the accuracy and the usefulness of the *Guides*.

**3.10 Development and External Affairs****3.10.1 Fundraising****3.10.2 Alumni and Sesquicentenary Activities****Resolution 267/02**

Senate noted the report.

**☆ 4. Report of the Finance Committee, 20 June 2002 (items for action)****4.1 2002 Mid-Year Consolidated Budget****Resolution 268/02**

Senate

- (i) noted that the 2002 Mid-Year Consolidated Budget contains no unapproved items of expenditure and incorporates expenditure approved since November 2001 and contains the latest available information on research grants and fee income; and
- (ii) approved the use of the 2002 Mid-Year Consolidated Budget as the benchmark for further reporting.

**☆ 5. Report of the Academic Board, 12 June 2002 (items for action)****5.1 Amendment of the Rules of the Senate****5.1.1 Amendment of the *University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999* (as amended)**

(1) **Doctor of Philosophy: Requirement to complete candidature within the University**

**Resolution 269/02**

Senate amended the University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999 (as amended), as set out in the shaded box 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 Engineering: Graduate Certificate in Automation in Field Robotics**

**Resolution 270/02**

Senate approved:

- (1) the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering for the introduction in 2003 of the new course, the Graduate Certificate in Automation in Field Robotics;
  - (2) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Degree, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Engineering, with effect from 1 January 2003; and
  - (3) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the above course, with effect from 1 January 2003;
- as set out in the shaded box in the report.

**5.2.1.2 Faculty of Pharmacy: Bachelor of Pharmacy (Rural)**

**Resolution 271/02**

Senate approved:

- (1) the proposal from the Faculty of Pharmacy for the introduction in 2003 of the new course, the Bachelor of Pharmacy (Rural);
  - (2) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Pharmacy, with effect from 1 January 2003; and
  - (3) the adoption of the new Resolutions of the Senate relating to this course, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000, with effect from 1 January 2003;
- as set out in the shaded box in the report.

**5.3 Review of the Academic Board and the Academic Forum**

**5.3.1 Guidelines for Faculties to Elect Academic Staff Members of the Academic Board**

**Resolution 272/02**

Senate approved the Guidelines for Faculties to Elect Academic Staff Members of the Academic Board, as set out in the shaded box in the report.

☆ **6. Report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee, 19 June 2002 (*items for action*)**

**6.1 Draft Mission Statement for Sport**

**Resolution 273/02**

Senate resolved that the University adopt the Draft Mission Statement as set out in the report and consider it for inclusion in the University Strategic Plan.

**7. General items (*items for action*)**

**7.1 Bequests, donations, non-government grants and gifts-in-kind, May 2002**

**Resolution 274/02**

Senate accepted with gratitude the various bequests, donations, non-government grants and gifts-in-kind received in May 2002.

**7.2 Post Graduate Foundation in Veterinary Science – Constitution****Resolution 275/02**

Senate approved the amendments to the Constitution of the Post Graduate Foundation in Veterinary Science as recommended in the report.

**☆ 8. Question time****9. Report of the Finance Committee, 20 June 2002 (*items for noting*)****Resolution 276/02**

Senate noted the report on the following items:

**9.1 Confidential items****9.2 Leave of Absence****9.3 Unconfirmed Minutes of the Meeting held on 27 May 2002****9.4 Business Arising out of the Minutes****9.4.1 Pro-Vice-Chancellor's Report for College of Humanities and Social****☆ 9.4.2 Capital Development Program – Monthly Works Report for the period ending 30 April 2002****9.4.3 University of Sydney Union Foundation 2000 Annual Report****9.5 Pro-Vice-Chancellor's Report for College of Health Science****9.6 2002 Mid-Year Review of Capital Development Program****9.7 Sesquicentenary October Celebrations – Draft Budget****9.8 Monthly Financial Management Report for May 2002****9.9 Capital Development Program – Monthly Works Report for the period ending 31 May 2002****9.10 Tender Board Report for period November 2001-May 2002****9.11 Annual Reports of Foundations/Centres/Student Associations****9.11.1 Foundation for Inorganic Chemistry Annual Report for 2001****9.11.2 The Post Graduate Foundation in Veterinary Science Annual Report for 2001****9.11.3 Yannadah On-Campus Residence Annual Report for 2001****9.11.4 The Nerve Research Foundation Annual Report for 2001****9.12 Unconfirmed minutes of the Investment Committee, 18 June 2002****9.13 Next Meeting****9.14 Any other business****9.14.1 Guidelines Concerning Commercial Activities****10. Report of the Academic Board, 12 June 2002 (*items for noting*)****Resolution 277/02**

Senate noted the report on the following items:

**10.1.1 New and amended courses****10.1.2 Doctor of Philosophy****10.1.2.1 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Academic Board relating to the Examination Process of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy:****Appointment of Additional Examiner as Assessor****10.1.2.2 Submission of Doctor of Philosophy Theses Containing Predominately Published Work****10.1.2.3 Guidelines for Examiners of Doctor of Philosophy Theses****10.1.3 Submission of treatises containing published work**

- 10.1.4 English Language Requirements
- 10.1.5 Report of the Academic Forum

**11. Report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee, 19 June 2002 (*items for noting*)**

**Resolution 278/02**

Senate noted the report on the following items:

- 11.1 Welcome and Apologies
- 11.2 Report of the Convenor on the Senate meeting held on 3 June 2002
- 11.3 Minutes of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee held on 2 May 2002
- 11.4 Business arising out of the minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda
- 11.5 Voluntary Student Unionism
- 11.6 Mr Bruce Ross
- 11.7 Any Other Business
- 11.8 Next Meeting

★ **12. Report of the Senate/SRC Liaison Committee, 6 June 2002 (*items for noting*)**

**Resolution 279/02**

Senate noted the report of the discussion on the following items:

- 12.1 Business arising from the previous report
  - 12.1.1 Fees and charges
  - 12.1.2 Disabilities
  - 12.1.3 Harassment and discrimination
  - 12.1.4 English language skill support
- 12.2 Funding for teaching
- 12.3 Equity programs/Local fee paying undergraduates
- 12.4 Students from low socio economic status backgrounds - Student Poverty
- 12.5 University response to the 'Crossroads' Review of Higher Education
- 12.6 Student Representation
- 12.7 Next Meeting

**13. General items (*items for noting*)**

- 13.1 Next Meeting

**Resolution 280/02**

Senate noted that the next ordinary meeting would be held on 5 August 2002.

★ **14. Any other business**

- 14.1 Distinguished International Fellows

**Resolution 281/02**

Senate noted the report.

- 14.2 Graduate School of Government

**Resolution 282/02**

Senate noted the report.

★ **15. Confidential items**

*(Separate confidential enclosure for Fellows and Senior Officers)*

★ **16. The Student Profile – Colloquium**