



Senate meeting and Colloquium minutes summary, 2 June 2003

At the meeting and Colloquium on 2 June 2003

- ☆ 1. **Senate Colloquium: Aspects of the future of higher education in Australia and the University's role within it**

- ☆ 2. **Addition or deletion of confidential items**
No confidential items were added or deleted.

- 3. **Senate business (*items for action*)**

- ☆ 3.1 **Starring**

- Resolution 198/03**

- Senate resolved

- (i) to defer consideration of the following items to the next ordinary meeting:
3.3.1; 8.1.7; 9.3.1; and 13 (Minutes item 6.2 and page L25); and
 - (ii) as recommended with respect to all other unstarred items.

- 3.2 **Minutes of the previous Senate meeting, 5 May 2003**

- Resolution 199/03**

- Senate confirmed the minutes of the Senate meeting held on 5 May 2003 as a true and correct record.

- 3.3 **Business arising out of the minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda**

- ☆ 3.3.1 **Student Appeals Committee (Exclusions and Readmissions)**

- Resolution 200/03**

- Senate resolved to defer consideration of this item to its next meeting.

- 3.4 **Leave of absence**

- Resolution 201/03**

- Senate granted leave of absence for this meeting as requested.

- 3.5 **Fellow elected by and from the members of the Legislative Council, and Fellow elected by and from the members of the Legislative Assembly**

- Resolution 202/03**

- Senate noted the report and the Chancellor's advice of the election to Senate of the Hon John J Aquilina as the representative of the Legislative Assembly, welcomed The Hon Henry Tsang as a Fellow of Senate and thanked The Hon John Hatzistergos and Mr Kevin Greene for their valued service as Fellows of Senate for four years.

☆ **3.6 Pro-Chancellor**

Resolution 203/03

- (1) Consistent with the Resolutions of the Senate quoted in the report, Senate resolved that the following be carried out to implement those Resolutions:
 - (i) that two Pro-Chancellors be appointed by Senate to carry out the function in (i) in the Resolutions of the Senate, i.e. carry out the functions of delegate of the Chancellor to preside at graduation ceremonies when the Chancellor is not available, in addition to the Deputy Chancellor, and Chair of the Academic Board;
 - (ii) that, while recognising that it is for Senate to determine the appointment, the Committee recommends Mr David Hoare and Emeritus Professor Ann Sefton be appointed to that position, to 31 December 2004 in the first instance;
 - (iii) that the position of Pro-Chancellor be reviewed around mid-2004;
 - (iv) that, at the conclusion of the terms of office of the first two appointees, future Pro-Chancellors be elected to office by means of an election conducted by the Registrar; and
 - (v) that when presiding at graduations, robes as recommended by the Registrar be worn by Pro-Chancellors (see attachment in the report);
- (2) Senate confirmed that there is advantage in individual Fellows of Senate working with the Chancellor to take a particular interest in particular bodies or areas within the University.

3.7 Bequests, donations, non-government grants and gifts-in-kind, April 2003

Resolution 204/03

Senate accepted with gratitude the various bequests, donations, non-government grants and gifts-in-kind received in April 2003.

3.8 Report of the Science Foundation for Physics

Resolution 205/03

Senate approved the election of members of the Council of the Science Foundation for Physics as recommended.

3.9 Report of the Warren Centre for Advanced Engineering

Resolution 206/03

Senate approved the reappointment of Mr Peter North as a Director of the Board for a further two year term.

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

4.1 Update for Senate's information

There was no material beyond that listed in the agenda.

4.2 Mr Phillip Smith

Resolution 207/03

Senate formally passed a vote of thanks to Mr Phillip Smith for his generous contributions to the University as President of the University of Sydney USA Foundation from 1999 to 2003.

4.3 Federal Budget

Resolution 208/03

Senate noted the summary statement provided by the Minister in relation to the key elements affecting Higher Education contained in the Federal Budget announced on Tuesday 13 May 2003.

4.4 AGSM ranking

Resolution 209/03

Senate noted the report that AGSM had again topped the annual executive and corporate education rankings for the Asia-Pacific region in a world-wide survey conducted by the Financial Times (UK).

4.5 Development and External Affairs

Resolution 210/03

Senate noted the report.

☆ 5. Report of the Academic Board, 14 May 2003 (*items for action*)

5.1 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate

5.1.1 New or amended courses

5.1.1.1 Faculty of Arts: Bachelor of Arts (Media and Communications) (Honours)

Resolution 211/03

Senate approved:

- (i) the proposal from the Faculty of Arts for the introduction in 2004 of the new course, the Bachelor of Arts (Media and Communications) (Honours);
- (ii) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Arts, with effect from 1 January 2004; and
- (iii) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to undergraduate courses in the Faculty of Arts, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000, with effect from 1 January 2004,

as set out in the shaded box in the report presented.

5.1.1.2 Faculty of Arts/Sydney Conservatorium of Music: Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Music Studies

Resolution 212/03

Senate approved:

- (i) the proposal from the Faculty of Arts and the Sydney Conservatorium of Music for the introduction in 2004 of the new combined course, the Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Music Studies;
- (ii) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Sydney Conservatorium of Music, with effect from 1 January 2004; and
- (iii) 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 2004,

as set out in the shaded box in the report presented.

5.2 Australia and New Zealand School of Government (ANZSOG)

Resolution 213/03

Senate:

- (i) noted that the Academic Board approved the terms of reference and membership of the ANZSOG Joint Committee of the University of Sydney and University of New South Wales Academic Boards; and
- (ii) approved, in principle, a jointly-badged Executive Master of Public Administration with the University of New South Wales, to be offered through the Australian and New Zealand School of Government,
as set out in the report presented.

6. Senate business (*items for noting*)

6.1 Functions attended by the Chancellor and Fellows of Senate in the previous month

Resolution 214/03

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

6.2 Next meeting

Resolution 215/03

Senate noted the report.

7. Report of the Finance Committee, 15 May 2003 (*items for noting*)

Resolution 216/03

Senate noted the following item:

Finance Committee Report as at 30 April 2003 (Year-To-Date)

8. Report of the Academic Board, 14 May 2003 (*items for noting*)

Resolution 217/03

Senate noted the report on the following items, and resolved to defer consideration of item 8.1.7 to its next meeting:

8.1 Report of the Chair

8.1.1 Doctor of Philosophy: Amendment of the Resolutions of the Academic Board relating to the Examination Process of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy

8.1.2 Academic Board Resolutions: Creation, Variation and Deletion of Award Courses and Units of Study

8.1.3 Weighted Average Marks (WAM) and Yearly Average Marks (YAM)

8.1.4 Academic Board Resolutions: Admission to Undergraduate Courses

8.1.5 Standardisation of Credit Points

8.1.6 Discipline of Students – 2002 Annual Report

★ **8.1.7 Student Appeals Committee (Exclusions and Readmissions) – 2002 Annual Report**

8.1.8 Academic Board Faculty Review Visits

8.1.9 Presentations from the Deans and Pro Vice-Chancellors (College)

9. Report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee, 14 May 2003 (*items for noting*)

Resolution 218/03

Senate noted the report on the following items, and resolved to defer consideration of item 9.3.1 to its next meeting:

- 9.1 Welcome and Apologies
- 9.2 Report of the previous Senate/Sports Liaison Committee meeting held on 12 February 2003
- 9.3 Business Arising
 - ☆ 9.3.1 Victoria Park
- 9.4 Mr Bruce Ross
- 9.5 Government Grants
- 9.6 SU Sport Report
- 9.7 University Senate Sports Scholarships
- 9.8 Any other business
 - 9.8.1 International Centre of Excellence
 - 9.8.2 Cricketers, Rowers and Water Polo Players
 - 9.8.3 Use of Sporting Facilities
- 9.9 Next meeting

10. Report of the Senate/SRC Liaison Committee, 13 May 2003 (*items for noting*)

Resolution 219/03

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

- 10.1 Welcome and Apologies
- 10.2 Business Arising
 - 10.2.1 English language skill support
 - 10.2.2 Equity programs/Local fee paying undergraduates
- 10.3 GST Exemption on Student Fees
- 10.4 University's Collection of SRC Student Fees
- 10.5 Transfer of Local Full-Fee Students to HECS Places
- 10.6 Review of the Role of Chair of Academic Board
- 10.7 Future of the Faculty of Nursing
- 10.8 Next Meeting
- 10.9 Questions by Fellows for the SRC
 - 10.9.1 Issues
 - 10.9.2 Higher Education Review Package

11. General items (*items for noting*)

- 11.1 Graduation ceremonies (June 2003)

Resolution 230/03

Senate noted the report on graduation ceremonies to be held in June 2003.

☆ **12. Confidential items**

☆ **13. Finance Committee meeting, 15 May 2003 – Minutes and papers**

Resolution 233/03

Senate resolved to defer consideration of item 6.2 of the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting and page L25 to its next meeting: