



# The University of Sydney

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## Senate minutes summary, 5 October 2004

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*At the meeting on Tuesday 5 October 2004:*

- ★ 1. Addition or deletion of confidential items
- ★ 2. Focus topic: The University's admissions policy and degree structure (including graduate entry to professional programs; use of UAI and other criteria)

**Resolution 294/04**

Senate noted and thanked Professor John Hearn for the presentation on the University's admissions policy and degree structure.

3. **Senate business (standard items)**

★ 3.1 **Starring**

**Resolution 295/04**

Senate resolved as recommended with respect to all unstarred items.

3.2 **Leave of absence**

**Resolution 296/04**

Senate granted leave of absence to Mr B Corlett and Mr D Hoare and noted an apology for absence from the Hon John Aquilina for this meeting, and granted leave of absence for the November meeting to Mr D Hoare, as requested.

3.3 **Minutes of the previous Senate meeting, 6 September 2004**

**Resolution 297/04**

Senate confirmed the minutes of the Senate meeting held on 6 September 2004 as a true and correct record.

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

There was no business arising out of the minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda.

3.5 **Focus topic for November Senate meeting**

**Resolution 298/04**

Senate resolved that the Focus topic for the Senate meeting to be held on 1 November 2004 be "The Australian Institutional Framework".

3.6 **2005 Senate meeting schedule**

**Resolution 299/04**

Senate approved the following Senate meeting schedule for 2005:

**Time:** 5.00pm

**Venue:** Senate Room

Sunday 20 – Monday 21 February 2005 (Meeting/Retreat, at Reserve Bank of Australia's Conference facilities at Kirribilli)

Monday, 21 March 2005

Monday, 2 May 2005

Monday, 20 June 2005  
Monday, 1 August 2005  
Monday, 19 September 2005  
Monday, 7 November 2005  
Monday, 5 December 2005

### 3.7 Senate representation

#### Resolution 300/04

Senate noted the report on Senate representation during September 2004.

### 3.8 Next meeting

#### Resolution 301/04

Senate noted that the next Senate meeting would be held at 5.00pm on Monday 1 November 2004.

## 4. Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal (*standard items*)



### 4.1 Update for Senate's information

#### 4.1.1 Review of the Australian National University 2004

##### Resolution 301/04

Senate noted the update on the review of the Australian National University and that the article entitled *Battling for Brains* in the *Economist* would be circulated to Fellows.

#### 4.1.2 ALP higher education strategy

##### Resolution 302/04

Senate noted the update on the ALP higher education strategy.

#### 4.1.3 Orange and Nursing

##### Resolution 303/04

Senate noted the update on proposals for restructuring.



### 4.2 Disestablishment of the Planning Research Centre Foundation

#### Resolution 304/04

Senate

- (i) resolved that the Planning Research Centre be dissolved as a foundation;
- (ii) noted that the Vice-Chancellor would immediately establish the Planning Research Centre as a research centre under the relevant University policy subject to the recommendation of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research and Innovation); and
- (iii) resolved that the Denis Winston Memorial Fund, which had been administered by the Planning Research Centre, be administered by the Faculty of Architecture in the same manner as all other Faculty Capital Preserved Trusts for scholarships and prizes.

### 4.3 Engineering Accreditation

#### Resolution 305/04

Senate noted the report on the visit by the EA Australia Accreditation Panel and joined the Vice-Chancellor in congratulating the staff of the Faculty of Engineering on the outstanding result.

### 4.4 University Relations

#### Resolution 306/04

Senate noted the report on University relations.

**5. Report of the Academic Board, 15 September 2004 (standard items)**

★ **5.1 Review of student appeals provisions**

**Resolution 307/04**

Senate endorsed the Report on the Review of student appeals provisions and its recommendations, subject to the following:

- (a) consideration of the deletion of the reference to Senate in the description of the relevant committees and reviewing the extent to which Senate should/should not be involved in the approval process;
- (b) where the appeal process indicates a risk to the University's reputation or some systemic failure, there be a system in place for that to be reported to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) or other appropriate person in senior administration for appropriate action;
- (c) the report when finalised come back to Senate for final endorsement; and
- (d) that further consideration to be given to section 5.10.

**5.2 Dissolution of the Board of Studies in Music**

**Resolution 308/04**

Senate dissolved the Board of Studies in Music and repealed the associated Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Board of Studies, with immediate effect.

**5.3 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate**

**5.3.1 New or amended courses**

**5.3.1.1 Faculty of Arts: Bachelor of Arts and Sciences**

**Resolution 309/04**

Senate approved

- (i) the proposal from the Faculty of Arts for the introduction of the new course, the Bachelor of Arts and Sciences;
  - (ii) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Degrees and Diplomas in the Faculty of Arts, 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 2005, as set out in the report presented.

**5.3.1.2 Faculty of Economics and Business: Bachelor of International Studies**

**Resolution 310/04**

Senate approved

- (i) the proposal from the Faculty of Economics and Business for the introduction of the new course, the Bachelor of International Studies;
  - (ii) the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Degrees and Diplomas in the Faculty of Economics and Business, 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 2005, as set out in the report presented.

**5.3.1.3 Faculty of Engineering: Bachelor of Engineering/Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Engineering/Bachelor of Medical Science and Bachelor of Engineering and Bachelor of Science Double Degree**

**Resolution 311/04**

Senate approved the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Bachelor of Engineering/Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Engineering/Bachelor of Medical Science and Bachelor

of Engineering and Bachelor of Science Double Degree with effect from 1 January 2005, as set out in the report presented.

**5.3.1.4 Faculty of Health Sciences: Bachelor of Applied Science (Health Information Management) and Bachelor of Applied Science (Health Information Management) (Honours)**

**Resolution 312/04**

Senate approved the adoption of the revised Resolutions of the Senate from the Faculty of Health Sciences for the introduction of the revised Bachelor of Applied Science (Health Information Management) and Bachelor of Applied Science (Health Information Management) (Honours) from 1 January 2005, as set out in the report presented.

**5.3.1.5 Faculty of Health Sciences: Bachelor of Health Science (Physiotherapy)**

**Resolution 313/04**

Senate approved the adoption of the revised Resolutions of the Senate from the Faculty of Health Sciences for the introduction of the revised Bachelor of Health Science (Physiotherapy) from 1 January 2005, as set out in the report presented.

**5.3.1.6 Faculty of Health Sciences**

**Resolution 314/04**

Senate:

- (i) approved the introduction of the new courses, Master of Speech Language Pathology, and Master of Speech Language Pathology (Honours);
- (ii) amended the Resolutions of the Senate relating to Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Health Sciences; and
- (iii) amended the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Master's Degrees in the Faculty of Health Sciences, and the Resolutions of the Senate relating to Graduate Diplomas and Graduate Certificates in the Faculty of Health Sciences, with effect from 1 January 2005, as set out in the report presented.

**5.3.1.7 Faculty of Medicine: Master of Medicine (Honours); Master of Medicine; Graduate Diploma in Medicine; and Graduate Certificate in Medicine**

**Resolution 315/04**

Senate:

- (i) approved the introduction of the new courses Masters of Medicine (Honours); Master of Medicine; Graduate Diploma in Medicine; and Graduate Certificate in Medicine, and
- (ii) amended the Resolutions of the Senate relating to Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Medicine, with effect from 1 January 2005, as set out in the report presented.

**5.3.1.8 Faculty of Science: Graduate Certificate in Applied Science (Spatial Information Science), Graduate Diploma in Computing; Master of Information Technology; Graduate Diploma in Information Technology; and Graduate Certificate in Information Technology**

**Resolution 316/04**

Senate amended the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Master of Applied Science, Graduate Diploma in Applied Science, and Graduate Certificate in the Faculty of Science, with effect from 1 January 2005, as set out in the report presented.

- 5.4 New and amended courses
- 5.5 University Glossary of Terms and Abbreviations
- 5.6 Academic Board self-review
- 5.7 Semester and vacation dates 2005
- 5.8 Recording of Results for Exchange Students
- 5.9 Appointment of members of the Student Proctorial Panel

**Resolution 317/04**

Senate noted items 5.4 to 5.9 of the Report of the Academic Board.

★ 6. **Report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee, 21 September 2004 (standard items)**

- 6.1 Main Issues Arising from Meeting Held Wednesday 24 March 2004
  - 6.1.1 Australian Photonics CRC/Optic Fibre Technology Centre
  - 6.1.2 Auditor-General's Management Letter
  - 6.1.3 Risk Management Report
  - 6.1.4 D&O Liability
  - 6.1.5 Dr Michael Sharpe

**Resolution 318/04**

Senate

- (i) noted the Report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee; and
- (ii) resolved to express its gratitude to Dr M Sharpe for his outstanding contribution to the Committee.

7. **Report of the Senate/SUPRA Liaison Committee, 21 September 2004 (standard items)**

- 7.1 Report of the Dean of Graduate Studies
- 7.2 Postgraduate Access to Maths Learning Centre
- 7.3 Education Services for Overseas Students (ESOS) Act 2000 - Requirements of the National Code
- 7.4 Security on the Cumberland Campus (Faculty of Health Sciences)
- 7.5 Postgraduate Coursework and Research Handbooks
- 7.6 Recent reports of neo-nazi activity and racist propaganda on and around NSW Campuses
- 7.7 Any other business

**Resolution 319/04**

Senate noted the Report of the Senate/SUPRA Liaison Committee.

8. **General business (standard items)**

★ 8.1 **Student Disciplinary Appeals Committee**

**Resolution 320/04**

Senate approved appointments to membership of the Student Disciplinary Appeals Committee for a two year term of office to conclude at the Senate meeting in November 2006, as set out in the report presented.

8.2 **Graduation schedule 2005**

**Resolution 321/04**

Senate

- (i) noted the schedule of dates for the 2005 ceremonies approved by the Registrar under delegated authority as set out in the report presented;
- (ii) gave authority to the Chancellor, the Deputy Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor and Principal, the Chair of the Academic Board and the Pro-Chancellor/s to admit to the appropriate degree or degrees, and to award the appropriate diploma or diplomas at these ceremonies to those who had qualified for degrees and diplomas concerned and whose names appeared in the printed lists contained in the official programs; and
- (iii) gave authority to the Registrar to change the disciplines to be presented at any ceremony or the scheduled time of any ceremony, after appropriate consultation with the faculties, colleges and boards of studies concerned and after appropriate notice to the graduands concerned.

**8.3 Graduation ceremonies (October/November 2004)**

**Resolution 322/04**

Senate noted the report on graduation ceremonies in October and November 2004.

**8.4 University of Sydney Cricket Club**

**Resolution 323/04**

Senate noted the correspondence from the Chancellor to the President of the University of Sydney Cricket Club dated 21 September 2004, conveying best wishes for the Club's forthcoming tour of India and Sri Lanka.

★ **9. Question time**

**9.1 Strategic Planning Activities 2004**

**Resolution 324/04**

Senate noted the question and the Vice-Chancellor's response.

**9.2 Foundations**

**Resolution 325/04**

Senate noted the question and the Vice-Chancellor's response.

★ **10. Any other business**

There was no other business.

**11. Confidential standard items**