



Senate minutes summary, 7 November 2005

At its meeting held on Monday 7 November 2005 at 5.00 pm in the Senate Room at the University:

- ★ 1. **Addition and deletion of confidential items**

- ★ 2. **Starring**
 - 2.1 **Starring of items**
 - 2.2 **Unstarred items**

Resolution 344/05
Senate resolved as recommended with respect to all unstarred items.

- ★ 3. **Senate and general business (*priority items*)**
 - 3.1 **Nominations Committee**

Resolution 346/05
Senate

 - (i) agreed to proceed in accordance with the report presented,
 - (ii) appointed the following members of the Nominations Committee in the category of "Three Fellows who are external persons (within the meaning of s9.(9) of the Act) appointed to the Committee by the Senate":
 - Ms Kim Anderson
 - Mr Bohdan Bilinsky
 - Dr Robin Fitzsimons
 - (iii) noted the following *ex-officio* membership of the Nominations Committee:
 - The Chancellor
 - The Deputy Chancellor
 - The Vice-Chancellor
 - The Chair of the Academic Board
 - (iv) requested the Nominations Committee to report to the December meeting of Senate.

- ★ 4. **Report of the Finance Committee, 19 October 2005**
 - 4.1 **Capital Development Plan 2006 +**

Resolution 347/05
Senate approved the Capital Program set out in the report presented, comprising:

 - Capital Development - Campus (including Campus 2010) - 2005 allocation and 2006 -2010 programs
 - Capital Development - ICT - 2005 allocation and 2006 - 2008 program
 - Repairs, Maintenance and Other Program - 2006 – 2010.

- 5. **Senate business**
 - 5.1 **Apologies for absence**

Resolution 348/05
Senate accepted apologies for absence from Professor John Carter for this meeting and from the Hon John Aquilina for the December 2005 meeting, as set out in the report presented.

5.2 Minutes of the previous Senate meeting, 19 September 2005

Resolution 349/05

Senate confirmed the minutes of the Senate meeting held on 19 September 2005 as a true and correct record.

5.3 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.

5.4 Fellow of Senate elected by and from the undergraduate students of the University

Resolution 350/05

Senate noted the report and congratulated Ms Rose Jackson on her election as a Fellow of Senate by and from the undergraduate students, to hold office from 1 December 2005 to 30 November 2006.

5.5 Fellow of Senate elected by and from the postgraduate students of the University

Resolution 351/05

Senate noted the report and congratulated Mr Jack Clegg on his re-election as a Fellow of Senate by and from the postgraduate students, to hold office from 1 December 2005 to 30 November 2006.

5.6 Senate/SRC Liaison Committee: Membership

Resolution 352/05

Senate appointed Ms R Jackson to membership of the Senate/SRC Liaison Committee from 1 December 2005 to 30 November 2006.

5.7 Senate/SUPRA Liaison Committee: Membership

Resolution 353/05

Senate re-appointed Mr J Clegg to membership of the Senate/SUPRA Liaison Committee from 1 December 2005 to 30 November 2006.

 **5.8 Fellows of Senate retiring on 30 November 2005**

Resolution 354/05

Senate resolved to record its formal appreciation for and to note in detail the contribution made by retiring Fellows of Senate, Mr Bruce Corlett, Ms Jo Haylen, Dr Suzanne Jamieson and Ms Janet Mooney.

5.9 2006 Senate meeting schedule

Resolution 355/05

Senate approved the following Senate meeting schedule for 2006:

19 and 20 February 2006	(Senate Retreat, with a brief Senate meeting for any urgent matters)
6 March 2006	
1 May 2006	
19 June 2006	
14 August 2006	
18 September 2006	
6 November 2006	
4 December 2006	

5.10 2006 Graduation schedule

Resolution 356/05

Senate

- (i) noted the schedule of dates for the 2006 graduation ceremonies approved by the Registrar under delegated authority;
- (ii) gave authority to the Chancellor, the Deputy Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor and Principal, the Chair of the Academic Board and the Pro-Chancellors to admit to the appropriate degree or degrees, and to award the appropriate diploma or diplomas at these ceremonies to, those who have qualified for degrees and diplomas concerned and whose names appear 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.

5.11 Focus topic: Academic assessment

Resolution 357/05

Senate noted the papers on academic assessment as set out in the report presented and that that the focus topic would be presented and discussed at the December meeting.

5.12 Senate Dinner on 8 December 2005

Resolution 358/05

Senate noted the report that Fellows and their partners had been invited to attend a dinner with the Senior Executive to be held in the Senate Room on 8 December 2005.

5.13 Senate representation, October 2005

Resolution 359/05

Senate noted the report on Senate representation in October 2005.

5.14 Notice of appointments by Senate on 5 December 2005

- **International House Council**
- **The University of Sydney Union Board of Directors**
- **Sydney University Sport General Committee/ Management Committee**

Resolution 360/05

Senate noted the report.

5.15 Honorary award acceptances

Resolution 361/05

Senate noted that the following have accepted Senate's invitation to receive an honorary award in 2006:

Mr Neil Armfield - Hon DLitt
Mr John D Brockhoff - Hon Fellow
Emeritus Professor John Chalmers AC - Hon MD
Ms Dorothy Hoddinott - Hon Fellow
Emeritus Professor Edwin A Judge - Hon DLitt
Mr Lou Klepac AM - Hon DLitt
Mr Daniel Lunney - Hon DSc
Mr William T Mansell – Hon DEng
Mr Andrew Murray - Hon Fellow
Mrs Roslyn B Poignant - Hon DLitt
Dr Sydney Ralph Reader – Hon MD
Justice Geoffrey Robertson QC - Hon LLD
Mr David Stratton - Hon DLitt
Dr Norman Swan - Hon MD

5.16 Next meeting

Resolution 362/05

Senate noted the report that the next meeting would be held at 5.00pm on 5 December 2005 in the Senate Room.

5.17 Review of Senate's conformance with National Governance Protocols

Resolution 363/05

Senate expressed support for the following report:

The Registrar has advised that as required by Senate he has completed his annual review of Senate's conformance with the Commonwealth's National Governance Protocols, as specifically required by Protocol 4, for 2005. This review of conformance with the Protocols complements the review of Senate's performance conducted previously by the Hon T J Ludeke and in 2005 by the Hon Robert Cartwright. Both reviews will continue to be conducted annually. A submission to the Commonwealth based on the Registrar's review, confirming Senate's conformance with the Protocols and providing the required evidence, was forwarded to DEST on 10 October 2005.

As Senate is aware the review identified a number of areas where Senate was required to take action to ensure ongoing compliance with the Protocols, in particular the enactment of a new By-law and the establishment of a Nominations Committee.

Copies of the submission to DEST based on the review of conformance are available in the Registrar's Office.

★ 6. Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal

6.1 Update for Senate's information

6.1.1 Student Organisations and Governance

6.1.2 Voluntary Student Unionism

Resolution 364/05

Senate noted the Vice-Chancellor's update.

6.1.3 Footbridge Theatre

Resolution 365/05

Senate noted the Vice-Chancellor's update on the transfer of the Footbridge Theatre to the University, to provide lecture space.

6.1.4 Times' rankings of universities

Resolution 366/05

Senate noted the Vice-Chancellor's update.

6.1.5 Policy on public comment by University staff

Resolution 367/05

Senate noted the tabled Policy on public comment by University staff.

6.2 Compliance with the National Code

Resolution 368/05

Senate adopted the statement set out in the report presented for the purpose of satisfying the requirement that the governing body provide a statement as to the University's compliance with the relevant sections of the National Code of Practice for Registration and Training to Overseas Students, and requested the Registrar to forward it to the Director-General on behalf of the Senate.

6.3 Transfer of Names

Resolution 369/05

Senate

- (i) approved that the auditorium within the Eastern Avenue Auditorium and Lecture Theatre Complex be named the Stephen Roberts Auditorium,; and
- (ii) referred back to the Nomenclature Committee for consideration the recommendations that the School of Geosciences board room within the Madsen Building be named the Edgeworth David Board Room and the area in front of the Madsen Building, to be transformed from a car-park into landscaped open space, be named the Edgeworth David Garden.

6.4 Membership of Yannadah Governing Council

Resolution 370/05

Senate appointed Professor Phyllis Watson and Dr Peter Knight as members of the Council of Yannadah.

6.5 UAC On-Time Applications

Resolution 371/05

Senate noted the report that the University of Sydney had again attracted the largest share of first preferences from recent and non-recent school leavers lodged within NSW, with a 7.9% increase in the number of recent school leaver first preferences.

6.6 National Health and Medical Research Council Outcomes 2005

Resolution 372/05

Senate noted the report that the University will receive \$13.5m in new project and program grant funding in 2006 and \$47.8m over the period 2006-10 (16.9% national share) which represents an increase of over \$4.5m (or 2.5% national share) compared to 2005.

6.7 Accreditation of Urban and Regional Planning Programs

Resolution 373/05

Senate noted the report that, as a result of the recent accreditation visit by the Planning Institute of Australia, all of the University's planning programs are being unanimously recommended to the Institute for full 5-year accreditation.

6.8 AVMA Accreditation of the Faculty of Veterinary Science

Resolution 374/05

Senate noted the report that the Faculty of Veterinary Science has been successful in its bid for American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) accreditation, which means that we join an elite group of only six Veterinary Science schools outside North America which have already achieved this status

6.9 Staff Honours

Resolution 375/05

Senate noted the report that, as part of the Prime Minister's Science Prizes, the Malcolm McIntosh Prize for Physical Scientist of the Year was awarded to Associate Professor Cameron Keppert of the School of Chemistry.

6.10 International Visits

Resolution 376/05

Senate noted the report on the Vice-Chancellor's visit to Shanghai Jiao-Tong University and the centenary celebrations of Fudan University, and the Chancellor's visit, accompanied by Professor Wolnizer, to Chicago, Champaign-Urbana and New York, which included the annual SUGUNA meeting at the University of Illinois and visits to business schools at Chicago, Northwestern and Columbia.

6.11 International

Resolution 377/05

Senate noted the international report.

6.12 University Relations

Resolution 378/05

Senate noted the report on University Relations.

7. Report of the Finance Committee, 19 October 2005

7.1 Vice-Chancellor's Report

7.2 Capital Development Program

7.3 CFO Report

7.4 Income Statement

7.5 Investment and Commercialisation Board of Management

Asset/Liability Committee (ALCO)

7.6 2004 Annual Reports of Foundations/Centres/Student Associations

- **Cumberland Student Guild**
- **Oral Health Foundation**
- **Pharmacy Practice Foundation**
- **Student Association Sydney College of the Arts**
- **Students' Representative Council**
- **Sydney University Postgraduate Representative Association**
- **Sydney University Sport**
- **The University of Sydney Union**

7.7 Next Meeting

Resolution 379/05

Senate noted the report of the Finance Committee.

8. Report of the Academic Board, 21 September 2005

8.1 Board of Studies in Indigenous Studies

Resolution 380/05

Senate approved the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Constitution of the Board of Studies in Indigenous Studies with immediate effect, as set out in the report presented.

8.2 Faculty of Economics and Business

8.2.1 Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Science

Resolution 381/05

Senate:

- (a) endorsed the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Economics and Business to amend the Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Science combined degree courses; and
- (b) approved the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to these courses,

with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

8.2.2 Bachelor of Commerce (Liberal Studies), Bachelor of Economic and Social Sciences, Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of International Studies

Resolution 382/05

Senate:

- (a) endorsed the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Economics and Business to amend the Bachelor of Commerce (Liberal Studies), Bachelor of Economic and Social

- Sciences, Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of International Studies courses; and
- (b) approved the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to these courses,
with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

8.2.3 Master of Business; Master of Commerce; Master of Commerce (Professional Accounting); Master of Economics; Master of Economics (Social Science); Master of Economics (Social Science) in Australian Political Economy; Master of Organisational Human Resource Management and Coaching; Master of Industrial Relations and Human Resource Management; Master of International Business and Law; Master of International Studies; Master of Logistics Management; Master of Transport Management; Master of Transport Management / Master of Urban and Regional Planning; Master of Commerce / Master of Facilities Management; Master of Commerce and Master of Transport Management; Master of Commerce and Master of Logistics Management; Master of International Business and Master of Commerce; Master of International Business and Master of Logistics Management; Graduate Diploma in Business; Graduate Diploma in Commerce; Graduate Diploma in Economics; Graduate Diploma in Economics (Social Science) in Australian Political Economy; Graduate Diploma in Organisational Human Resource Management and Coaching; Graduate Diploma in Industrial Relations and Human Resource Management; Graduate Diploma in International Studies; Graduate Diploma in Logistics Management; Graduate Diploma in Transport Management; Graduate Certificate in Commerce; Graduate Certificate in Economics (Social Science) in Australian Political Economy; Graduate Certificate in Organisational Human Resource Management and Coaching; Graduate Certificate in Industrial Relations and Human Resource Management; Graduate Certificate in International Studies; Graduate Certificate in Logistics Management; Graduate Certificate in Marketing; and Graduate Certificate in Transport Management

Resolution 383/305

Senate approved the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Master of Business; Master of Commerce; Master of Commerce (Professional Accounting); Master of Economics; Master of Economics (Social Science); Master of Economics (Social Science) in Australian Political Economy; Master of Organisational Human Resource Management and Coaching; Master of Industrial Relations and Human Resource Management; Master of International Business and Law; Master of International Studies; Master of Logistics Management; Master of Transport Management; Master of Transport Management / Master of Urban and Regional Planning; Master of Commerce / Master of Facilities Management; Master of Commerce and Master of Transport Management; Master of Commerce and Master of Logistics Management; Master of International Business and Master of Commerce; Master of International Business and Master of Logistics Management; Graduate Diploma in Business; Graduate Diploma in Commerce; Graduate Diploma in Economics; Graduate Diploma in Economics (Social Science) in Australian Political Economy; Graduate Diploma in Organisational Human Resource Management and Coaching; Graduate Diploma in Industrial Relations and Human Resource Management; Graduate Diploma in International Studies; Graduate Diploma in Logistics Management; Graduate Diploma in Transport Management; Graduate Certificate in Commerce; Graduate Certificate in Economics (Social Science) in Australian Political Economy; Graduate Certificate in Organisational Human Resource Management and Coaching; Graduate Certificate in Industrial Relations and Human Resource Management; Graduate Certificate in International Studies; Graduate Certificate in Logistics Management; Graduate Certificate in Marketing; and Graduate Certificate in Transport Management courses, with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

- 8.3 Faculty of Engineering: Master of Engineering Studies; Master of Engineering Studies (Automation and Manufacturing Systems); Master of Engineering Studies (Manufacturing Knowledge Integration and Project Management); Master of Engineering Studies (Manufacturing Commerce and Business Management); Master of Engineering Studies (New Materials Technology); Master of Engineering Studies (Structural and Foundation Engineering); Master of Engineering Studies (Sustainable Processing); Master of Engineering Studies (Wireless Engineering); Master of Engineering Studies (Network Engineering); Master of Engineering Studies (Aerospace); Master of Engineering Studies (Biophysical Processes); Master of Engineering Studies (Fluid and Wind Engineering); Master of Engineering Studies (Structures); Master of Engineering Studies (Geotechnical) and Master of Engineering Studies (Environmental Fluids)**

Resolution 384/05

Senate approved the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Master of Engineering Studies; Master of Engineering Studies (Automation and Manufacturing Systems); Master of Engineering Studies (Manufacturing Knowledge Integration and Project Management); Master of Engineering Studies (Manufacturing Commerce and Business Management); Master of Engineering Studies (New Materials Technology); Master of Engineering Studies (Structural and Foundation Engineering); Master of Engineering Studies (Sustainable Processing); Master of Engineering Studies (Wireless Engineering); Master of Engineering Studies (Network Engineering); Master of Engineering Studies (Aerospace); Master of Engineering Studies (Biophysical Processes); Master of Engineering Studies (Fluid and Wind Engineering); Master of Engineering Studies (Structures); Master of Engineering Studies (Geotechnical) and Master of Engineering Studies (Environmental Fluids) courses, with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

- 8.4 Faculty of Health Sciences: Master of Health Sciences (Speech-Language Pathology)**

Resolution 385/05

Senate endorsed the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to amend the Master of Health Sciences (Speech-Language Pathology), with effect from 1 January 2006.

- 8.5 Faculty of Law: Master of International Law; Graduate Diploma in International Law; Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law and Graduate Diploma in Corporate, Securities and Finance Law**

Resolution 386/05

Senate:

- (a) endorsed the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Law to amend the Master of International Law; Graduate Diploma in International Law; Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law and Graduate Diploma in Corporate, Securities and Finance Law courses; and
- (b) approved the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to these courses,

with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

- 8.6 Faculty of Medicine: Master of Medicine (Topic)**

Resolution 387/05

Senate:

- (a) endorsed the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Medicine to amend the Master of Medicine (Topic) course; and
- (b) approved the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to this course,

with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

8.7 Faculty of Pharmacy

8.7.1 Master of Herbal Medicines, Master of Herbal Medicines (Honours), Graduate Diploma in Herbal Medicines and Graduate Certificate in Herbal Medicines

Resolution 388/05

Senate:

- (a) endorsed the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Pharmacy to amend the Master of Herbal Medicines, Master of Herbal Medicines (Honours), Graduate Diploma in Herbal Medicines and Graduate Certificate in Herbal Medicines courses; and
 - (b) approved the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to these courses,
- with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

8.7.2 Master of Pharmaceutical Industry, Graduate Diploma in Pharmaceutical Industry and Graduate Certificate in Pharmaceutical Industry

Resolution 389/05

Senate:

- (a) endorsed the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Pharmacy to discontinue the Master of Pharmaceutical Industry, Graduate Diploma in Pharmaceutical Industry and Graduate Certificate in Pharmaceutical Industry courses; and
 - (b) approved the rescission of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to these courses,
- with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

8.8 Sydney College of the Arts

8.8.1 Master of Contemporary Art for Educators

Resolution 390/05

Senate endorsed the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Sydney College of the Arts to amend the Master of Contemporary Art for Educators, with effect from 1 January 2006.

8.8.2 Master of Studio Art

Resolution 391/05

Senate endorsed the Academic Board's approval of the proposal from the Sydney College of the Arts to amend the Master of Studio with effect from 1 January 2006.

8.9 Minor course amendments

Resolution 392/05

Senate noted the report.

9. Report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee, 18 October 2005

- 9.1 CFO's Report**
- 9.2 CRC's Risk Management Report**
- 9.3 Vice-Chancellor's Report**
- 9.4 Risk Management Office Report**
- 9.5 Risk Management Policy**
- 9.6 Risk Management Report to Senate**
- 9.7 Internal Audit and Review Performance Report**
- 9.8 New Workplace Surveillance Laws in NSW**

Resolution 393/05

Senate noted the report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee.

10. General business

10.1 Report of the Brain and Mind Research Foundation

Resolution 394/05

Senate approved the appointment of members and office-bearers of the Council of the Brain and Mind Research Foundation, as set out in the report presented.

10.2 Report of the Dermatology Research Foundation

Resolution 395/05

Senate approved the appointment of members and office-bearers of the Council of the Dermatology Research Foundation, as set out in the report presented.

10.3 Report of the Board of the Warren Centre for Advanced Engineering

Resolution 396/05

Senate approved the appointment/re-appointment of Honorary Governors and the appointment of Governors of the Board of the Warren Centre for Advanced Engineering, as set out in the report presented.

10.4 Graduation ceremonies (November/December 2005)

Resolution 397/05

Senate noted the report on graduation ceremonies in November/December 2005.

★ **11. Notice of motion**

11.1 Notice of motion provided by Dr R Fitzsimons

★ **12. Question time**

12.1 Report to Senate – Cost of External Legal Advisors

Resolution 398/05

Senate noted the report to Senate on the cost of external legal advisors.

12.2 Question on notice from Dr R Fitzsimons

Resolution 399/05

Senate noted the question and response.

12.3 Question on notice from Dr R Fitzsimons

Resolution 400/05

Senate noted the question and response.

★ **13. Any other business**

13.1 Green power

Resolution 401/05

Senate noted the advice.

13.2 Professor John Carter

Resolution 402/05

Senate noted the advice.