

2005

THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

COUNCIL MEETING NO 4

A meeting of the Council was held in the Council Chamber, 1st Floor, Old Quadrangle on Monday 9 May 2005 at 4.00 p.m.

Present

Members

The Chancellor, Mr I A Renard (In the Chair)
The Deputy Chancellor, (Hon Mr Justice Chernov)
The Deputy Chancellor, (Dr B Lochtenberg)
The Vice-Chancellor (Professor G Davis)
The President of Academic Board (Professor L Skene)
Mr T L Anning, Mr B Barnett, Hon Justice Crennan,
Dr M Doig, Associate Professor M A Elgar, Mr G Hehir, Professor P Pattison
Ms E N S Ritchie, Ms R Storelli and Mr E Thornley

Others Attending

The President of Convocation (Dr R Condron)
The President of the Postgraduate Association (Mr M Belleghem)
The Chair of the Interim Student Representative Committee (Mr P Donegan)

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) (Professor F Larkins)
The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) (Professor P McPhee)
The Vice-Principal and General Counsel (Mr C Penman)
The Vice-Principal (Property & Buildings) (Dr D Daines)
The Acting Vice-Principal and Academic Registrar (Dr M Emison)
The Vice-Principal (Human Resources) (Ms E Baré)
The Vice-Principal (Information) (Ms L O'Brien)

The University Secretary (Mr L Currie)
The Assistant University Secretary (Mr J Green)
The Senior Media Adviser (Ms C Buckridge)
The Media Liaison Officer (International) (Ms K Smith)

*The following Deans attended for Council's discussions of listed key issues:
Professor M Abernethy and Professor M Crommelin.*

Business

1. Formal Matters [Item A.01]

Leave of absence for this meeting had been granted to Judge Lawson. Leave of absence for the September meeting was granted to Dr Lichtenberg.

Apologies had been received from Ms Alexander and Hon Mr White.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting [Item A.1 (a)]

2.1 The minutes of Council meeting 3/05 held on 11 April 2005, copies of which had been distributed, were confirmed.

2.2 The Action Sheet was noted from Meeting No. 3/05, together with a follow-up report from the Chief Financial Officer on Environmental Health and Safety incident statistics.

3. Starring of Additional Items [Item A.2 (a)]

Items A.4(b).5, 7, 11,12; B3(a).1 and D5(a).1 were starred for discussion.

4. Motion to Adopt or Receive “Unstarred Items of Business” [Item A.2 (b)]

In accordance with established procedure, it was formally agreed that the items of business that were not to be specifically discussed should be adopted where containing recommendations or received where containing reports.

5. Chancellor’s Matters [Item A.3]

5.1 Austin Hospital

The Chancellor reported on his attendance at the opening of the new Austin Hospital building and its significance for the University. It was agreed that arrangements should be made for interested Council members to visit the facility, and that the Dean of Medicine Dentistry and Health Sciences should be requested to prepare a brief outline for Council of the University’s activities there.

5.2 Town and Gown

Council members were asked to note that the annual Town and Gown Dinner would be held on August 31, with John McFarlane OBE, Chief Executive Officer of the Australian and New Zealand Banking Group Ltd, speaking for the Town, and the Vice-Chancellor for the Gown.

6. Listing of Key Issues and Documents for discussion [Item A.4 (a)]

The following items were listed as Key Issues and Documents for Discussion –

Teaching and Learning:

- Response to the due diligence audit
(document A4 Appendix D)
- Implementation of assessment recommendations
(documents A4 Appendix E)
- CEQ 2004 results
(document A4 Appendix F)

7. Vice-Chancellor's Report [Item A.4 (b)]

Council received the Vice-Chancellor's Report, together with a supplementary interim report outlining follow-up to the Due Diligence review of research and research training.

Council noted that documents over the name of the Senior Vice-Principal had been prepared at his direction, but not finalised by him.

7.1 Faculty of Land and Food Resources

Council received a report from Professor Larkins which provided an update on progress towards developing principles to guide development and change in the Faculty. Council resolved to schedule a formal meeting on June 6, to consider the consultants' review of the Faculty, and any other pressing matters. In response to a member's query Professor Larkins indicated that he and the review team had been involved in several hundred consultations with local communities and other interested parties.

7.2 Teaching and Learning

Council was joined by Professors Abernethy and Crommelin to discuss three documents related to teaching and learning in the University. The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Professor McPhee outlined initiatives taken by the University in response to comments made in Dr Gregor Ramsey's due diligence audit of teaching and learning. The Vice-President of the Academic Board, Professor Pattison, gave an overview of the work of the Board's various Working Groups dealing with assessment issues. There was also discussion of the outcomes of the 2004 Course Experience Questionnaire in the course of which the President of the Academic Board, Professor Skene, directly quoted several students' comments, both positive and negative, on their University experience.

7.3 University Systems Project Due Diligence Report

The Chancellor gave an oral report on the meeting of the Due Diligence Group held on 6 May 2005. He outlined the stage of implementation reached in each module of the project. He indicated that arrangements to oversee University Systems development after the Due Diligence Group had completed its reviews were a matter which should be addressed in the paper reviewing committee structures, which was being prepared by the Senior Vice-Principal and University Secretary.

7.4 Higher Education Workplace Relations Requirements (HEWRRs)

In discussion of this item, a member of Council expressed interest in seeing a comparison between the amount of the increase in Commonwealth funding, and the cost of compliance with the HEWRRs, on which it was contingent.

7.5 Appointment of Directors of AMEB (Vic) Ltd

Council adopted the **recommendation** to appoint Ms Mardi McSullea for a further three year term to the Council of Directors of AMEB (Vic) Ltd.

7.6 Brooks Gillespie House

Council received a report which outlined the settlement arrangements in respect to Brooks Gillespie House.

8. Planning and Budget Committee [Item A.6 (a)]

Council received the report of meeting 3/05 of the Planning and Budget Committee held 13 April 2005.

8.1 Proposal to Establish a Professorial Fellow position

Council adopted the **recommendation** to establish a position for a Professorial Fellow in the Faculty of Economics and Commerce, as outlined in Appendix 1 to the report.

8.2 Proposal of Name Changes for Centres within the Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences

Council adopted the following name changes:

- *Centre for Genetic Epidemiology* changed to *Centre for Molecular, Environmental, Genetic and Analytic Epidemiology*, and
- *Centre for the Study of Health and Society* changed to *Centre for Health and Society*.

8.3 Proposal for the Establishment of a Formal Affiliation between The University of Melbourne and the Brain Research Institute (BRI)

Council adopted the proposal to establish a formal affiliation between The University of Melbourne and the Brain Research Institute, as outlined in Appendix 3 to the report.

8.4 Chair of Health Promotion

Council agreed to re-advertise the Chair of Health Promotion within the School of Population Health.

8.5 Proposal to refill the Chair of Epidemiology and Biostatistics

Council agreed to refill the position of Chair of Epidemiology and Biostatistics.

8.6 Proposal to refill the position of Professor/Director of Medical Imaging

Council agreed to refill the position of Professor/Director of Medical Imaging.

9. Committee of Convocation [Item A.7 (a)]

Council received the report of meeting 2/05 of the Committee of Convocation held 20 April 2005.

10. Academic Board [Items B.1 (a) and (b)]

Council received the report of meeting 3/05 of the Academic Board held on 21 April 2005, together with a Supplementary Report from the President of the Board.

10.1 Award of Honorary Degree of Doctor of Applied Science

Council adopted the Board's **recommendation** to award an honorary degree of Doctor of Applied Science as tabled at the meeting.

10.2 Appointment of Selection Committees for Professorial Posts

Council adopted the Board's **recommendation** to establish the following professorial selection committees:

- Chair of Epidemiology and Biostatistics (Appendix A to the report)
- Chair of Health Promotion (Appendix B to the report)
- Professor/Director of Medical Imaging (St Vincent's Hospital) (Appendix C to the report)

10.3 New Courses

Council adopted the Board's **recommendation** for the introduction of the following new courses:

- Combined Juris Doctor/Master of Business Administration (Appendix D to the report)
- U21 Certificate in Global Issues (Appendix E to the report)

10.4 New Student Awards

Council resolved to establish the following new student awards:

- Robert Barber (Ability Building Chemicals) Prize for Achievement in the Study of Architecture (Appendix F to the report)
- Robert Barber (Ability Building Chemicals) Prize for Achievement in the Study of Landscape Architecture (Appendix G to the report)
- Foundation Graduate Prize in Landscape Architecture (Appendix H to the report)
- Phillips Fox Prize in Asian Law (Appendix A to the supplementary report)
- Australian Industrial Relations Commission Centennial Prize (Appendix B to the report).

10.5 Selection Matters

10.5.1 Academic Board Resolutions on Selection

Council adopted the Board's **recommendation** for new and revised Academic Board Resolutions on Selection for the combined Juris Doctor/Master of Business Administration, the U21 Certificate in Global Issues, the Bachelor of Arts, the Bachelor of Arts (Media and Communications), the Bachelor of Creative Arts, and postgraduate courses in the Faculty of Land and Food Resources, as set out in Appendix I of the report.

10.5.2 Alternative Entry Pathways

Council adopted the Board's **recommendation** for alternative entry pathways into undergraduate courses for international students who have undertaken studies in Bahrain and in foundation studies programs in Australia, as set out in Appendix J to the report.

10.6 Change of Course Title

Council adopted the Board's **recommendation** for the Architecture stream of the Bachelor of Planning and Design to be renamed as the Bachelor of Architectural Studies with effect from 2006.

10.7 Renaming of Postgraduate Equity Scholarships

Council adopted the Board's **recommendation** that the *Postgraduate Equity Scholarships* be renamed as the *Fay Marles Scholarships* in recognition of the strong commitment to social justice and human rights shown by former Chancellor, Ms Fay Marles.

11. Human Resources Committee [Item B.3 (a)]

The Chair of the Human Resources Committee introduced the following document, which Council had asked to be resubmitted with additional material.

11.1 Making Melbourne a Great Place to Work

Council adopted the document "*Making Melbourne a Great Place to Work*", as a strategic framework for staff-related planning management and leadership across the University.

12. Buildings and Estates Committee

The Chair of the Buildings and Estates Committee reported that work on the Land Use Policy Framework was continuing

13. Legislation & Trusts Committee [Item C]

Council received the report of meeting 3/05 of the Legislation Committee held on 18 April 2005.

13.1 Council made the following Statute as detailed in the Report

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| (1) | Enactment of Statute recommended by the Planning and Budget Committee | <u><i>To affiliate the Brain Research Institute</i></u> (53/05) |
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13.2 Council made the following Regulations as detailed in the report:

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| (1) | Amendment of Regulation 6.1.R7 recommended by the University Secretary | <u><i>To establish a Centre</i></u> (55/05) |
| (3) | Amendment of Regulation 7.1.R2 recommended by the University Secretary | <u><i>To add a Chair in the schedule of Chairs to the regulation governing academic and general staff ranks and titles</i></u> (52/05) |
| (4) | Amendment of Regulation 8.1.R11 recommended by the University Secretary | <u><i>To update the terms of the regulation governing Asialink</i></u> (54/05) |

14. Summary of Reports of matters dealt with by the Vice-Chancellor [Item D.2(a) and D.2(b)]

Council received the summary of reports on matters dealt with by the Vice-Chancellor, as set out in Items D.2(a) and D.2(b).

15. Report from the Melbourne Theatre Company Board of Management [Item D.5 (a)]

Council received the report for meeting 3/05 of the Melbourne Theatre Company Board of Management held on 13 April 2005.

15.1 Revisions to Regulation 8.1.R3

Council agreed in principle that Regulation 8.1.3A (which concerns the aims and objectives of MTC) should be revoked, and that Regulation 8.1.R3 be amended in the manner set out in Attachment A to the report, subject to the following changes –

- that the words “and wherever practicable, to present those plays to audiences outside Melbourne” be added to objective (a);
- that in objective (e), the words “survive into the future” be replaced by “implement its aims now and in the future”; and
- that in addition to the Vice-Chancellor, one other member of Council should be a member of the Board.

Council referred the matter to the Legislation and Trusts Committee, for preparation of the necessary legislation.

16. Report from the Ian Potter Museum of Art Board [Item D.5 (b)]

Council received the report from the Ian Potter Museum of Art Board held on 5 April 2005.

The meeting then closed.