

2004

THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

COUNCIL MEETING NO 9

A meeting of the Council was held in the Council Chamber, 1st Floor, Old Quadrangle on Monday 4 October 2004 at 4.00 p.m.

Present

Members

The Chancellor, Ms F S Marles (In the Chair)
The Deputy Chancellor, (Mr I A Renard)
The Vice-Chancellor (Professor K C Lee Dow)
The President of Academic Board (Professor L Skene)
Mr T L Anning, Dr M Doig, Associate Professor M A Elgar,
Mr G Hehir, Judge I Lawson, Dr B Lochtenberg, Mr J Osborn, Professor P Pattison,
Ms E N S Ritchie, Ms R Storelli, Hon Mr D R White.

Others Attending

The President of Convocation (Dr R Condon)
The President of the Postgraduate Association (Mr M Bellegham)
The Nominee of the Student Union (Mr R D'Souza)
The Senior Vice-Principal (Mr I Marshman)
The Vice-Principal and Chief Financial Officer (Mr D Percival)
The Vice-Principal and General Counsel (Mr C Penman)
The Vice-Principal (Property & Buildings) (Dr D Daines)
The Vice-Principal (Human Resources) (Ms E Baré)
The Acting Vice-Principal and Academic Registrar (Ms J Stephens)
The University Secretary (Mr L Currie)
The Assistant University Secretary (Mr J Green)
The Senior Media Adviser (Ms C Buckridge)

Business

1. Apologies and Leave of Absence [Item A.01]

Apologies were received from The Hon. Mr Justice Chernov and Mr Williams.

2. Returning Officer's Report [Item A.02]

The University Secretary drew members' attention to his call for nominations for the office of Chancellor for the coming three year term.

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

3.1 The minutes of Council meeting 8/04 held on 13 September 2004, copies of which had been distributed, were confirmed.

3.2 The Action Sheet was noted from Meeting No. 8/04. With regard to an item listed for his action, the Deputy Chancellor advised that the Vice-Chancellor's contract approved by the Committee on Staff Salaries required discussion of agreed key performance indicators. The Deputy Chancellor expected that these would be finalised early in the new year, in time for report to the March meeting of Council.

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

Item B1(a) was starred for discussion.

5. 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.

6. Chancellor's Matters [Item A.3 (a)]

The Chancellor gave an oral report of discussions at the Council Nominations and Governance Committee earlier in the day.

Recommendations from that meeting would come to the next meeting of Council.

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

7.1 Council received and noted the Vice-Chancellor's Report.

7.2 Faculty of Land and Food Resources

The Vice-Chancellor briefed Council on factors requiring consideration in planning for the future development of the Faculty. In the course of discussion, Council members emphasised the need for continued consultation with stakeholders, including other TAFE course providers. A member suggested that the Dean be invited to attend the meeting of Council at which recommendations were brought forward.

7.3 Universitas 21 Global

Council noted that an updated version of the Universitas 21 Global business plan could be expected within the next month, in conjunction with a second call upon university investors which would require a decision in April 2005. Council also noted that the

Vice-Chancellor and Senior Vice-Principal would attend a Universitas 21 Global meeting in Montreal in November. Council agreed that, subject to their agreement, Mr Renard, Dr Lochtenberg, Professor Skene, Mr Thornley and the Hon Mr White should comprise an ad hoc group to advise the Vice-Chancellor and the Senior Vice-Principal concerning issues which might arise there.

8. Administrative Committee [Item A.5 (a)]

Council received the report of meeting 13/04 of the Administrative Committee held on 15 September 2004.

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

Council received the report of meeting 6/04 of the Planning and Budget Committee held 14 July 2004.

9.1 Refilling and change of name for the Chair of Environmental Hydrology

Council adopted the **recommendation** that the Chair of Environmental Hydrology be refilled in 2005 (Appendix 1).

9.2 Refilling of Professor/Director of Dermatology

Council adopted the **recommendation** that the position of Professor/Director of Dermatology be refilled.

9.3 Refilling of Professor of Pharmacology

Council adopted the **recommendation** that the position of Professor of Pharmacology be refilled.

9.4 Report from International Programs Committee

Council adopted the **recommendation** that University level linkages for academic cooperation and exchange be established with the following institutions:

- Chinese Academy of Social Sciences
- Complutense University of Madrid
- University of Salamanca
- Pontifica Universidad Católica de Chile

10. Committee on Convocation [Item A.7 (a)]

Council received the report of meeting 7/04 of the Committee of Convocation held 15 September 2004.

11. General Discussion Item (Item A.8)

Members discussed 2004 Operational Performance Review documentation, ranging over such issues as student/staff ratios, staff age profiles, variations in higher degree load, accommodation pressures, student exchanges, research performance and the extent of student engagement in University life.

12. Academic Board [Item B.1 (a)]

Council received the report of meeting 8/04 of the Academic Board held on 23 September 2004. The president also made a brief oral report.

12.1 Appointment of Selection Committees for Professorial Posts

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

- Professor/Director of Dermatology (St Vincent's Hospital) (Appendix A)
- Chair of Environmental Hydrology (to be renamed as Hydrology and Water Resources) (Appendix B)
- Chair of Pharmacology (Appendix C).

12.2 New Courses

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

- Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate in Applied Commerce (Appendix D)
- Postgraduate Certificate in International Studies (Appendix E)
- Postgraduate Diploma in International Studies (Appendix F)
- Master of Biomedical Engineering (Appendix G)
- Master of Earth Science (Appendix H)
- Master of Engineering Structures (Appendix I)
- Master of International Studies (Appendix J).

12.3 Student Awards

Council adopted the Board's **recommendation** for the establishment of the following student awards:

- Clean Air Society of Australia and New Zealand – Air and Environment Award (Appendix K)
- Sutherland Award for Neuroscience (Appendix L)
- Wood-Jones Award for Topographic Anatomy (Appendix M).

12.4 Academic Board Resolutions on Selection

Council adopted the Board's **recommendation** for the new and revised Academic Board Resolutions on Selection for courses in the Faculties of Arts, Economics and Commerce, Engineering and Science and the Institute of Land and Food Resources and the Melbourne Business School, as set out in Appendix N.

13. Finance Committee [Item B.2 (a)]

Council received the report of meeting 7/04 of the Finance Committee held on 29 September 2004, and had an oral report from the Acting chair.

13.1 **Creation of Scholarships for Tafe Students**

Council adopted the **recommendation** that the residual moneys received from the wind up of Land and Food Services Limited be used to fund scholarships for TAFE students as outlined in the report and that the University's General Counsel be asked to advise on the best way to implement these scholarships.

14. **Buildings and Estates Committee [Item B.4 (a)]**

Council received the report of meeting 7/04 of the Buildings and Estates Committee held on 19 August 2004.

15. **Human Resources Committee [Item B.3 (o)]**

Council heard a brief oral report from the Chair of the Human Resources Committee.

16 **Legislation Committee [Item C]**

Council received the report of meeting 6/04 of the Legislation Committee held on 27 September 2004.

16.1 Council made the following Statute as detailed in the report:

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| (1) | Enactment of Statute 9.51 recommended by the Planning and Budget Committee | <u>To affiliate The Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria (84/04)</u> |
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16.2 Council made the following Regulations as detailed in the report:

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| (1) | Amendment of Regulation R6.72 recommended by the University Secretary | <u>To govern the Sidney Myer Geoffrey Cohen Fund (78/04)</u> |
| (2) | Amendment of Regulation R6.72 recommended by the University Secretary | <u>To govern The Edward J. Darbyshire Trust (90/04)</u> |
| (3) | Amendment of Regulation R6.112 recommended by the University Secretary | <u>To amend the terms of The Eleanor Edna Norris Bequest Fund (58/04)</u> |
| (4) | Amendment of Regulation R.6.148 recommended by the University Secretary | <u>To update the terms of the Percival Serle Bequest (83/04)</u> |
| (5) | Amendment of Regulation R6.170 recommended by the University Secretary | <u>To update the terms of the Ackman Trust (87/04)</u> |
| (6) | Amendment of Regulation R6.187 recommended by the University Secretary | <u>To amend the terms of the Tom Zucker Scholarship in Labour Law (77/04)</u> |
| (7) | Making of Regulation R6.227 recommended by the University Secretary | <u>To govern The T.W. Healy Award (89/04)</u> |
| (10) | Amendment of Regulation R7.17 recommended by the University Secretary | <u>To update the terms of the Arthur Norman Smith Lectureship in Journalism (82/04)</u> |
| (11) | Amendment of Regulation R7.98 recommended by the University Secretary | <u>To update the terms of The Macgeorge Bequest (79/04)</u> |

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| (13) | Amendment of Regulation 10.1.R1 recommended by the University Secretary | <i><u>To update the date fees take effect (86/04)</u></i> |
| (15) | Revocation of Regulation 17.1.R6 recommended by the Finance Committee | <i><u>To revoke the regulation governing purchasing procedures and delegations in relation to financial matters (80/04)</u></i> |
| (16) | Making of Regulation 17.1.R6 recommended by the Finance Committee | <i><u>To make a regulation governing purchasing procedures and delegations in relation to financial matters (81/04)</u></i> |

17 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).

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

Council received the report for meeting 7/04 of the Melbourne Theatre Company Board of Management held on 17 September 2004.