Minutes of the 437th Meeting of the Macquarie University Council was held at the Council Room, Building E11A, North Ryde Campus at 4.00pm on Wednesday 23 February 2011.

Present: Chancellor, The Hon Michael Egan
Deputy Chancellor, Ms E Crouch
Vice-Chancellor, Professor S Schwartz
Vice-President of Academic Senate, Associate Professor J Fitness
Dr W Bradford
Ms M Brodie
Professor L Cupples
Mr C Darvall
The Hon P Forsythe
Mr G M Jones
Professor D Kane
Mr G Lindsay
Mr W Mundine
The Hon S Nori
Ms A Smith
Mr G Ward
Mr J Wigglesworth

In attendance: Ms D Anderson, Executive Director, Campus Experience
Dr P Dodd, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Chief Operating Officer)
Mr P Dolan (for item 3.4 only)
Mr J Gorman, Chief Financial Officer
Mr P Luttrell, General Counsel
Professor J Piper, Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research)
Professor J Sachs, Deputy Vice Chancellor (Provost)
Mr T Sprague, Director Human Resources
Ms C Trotman, Deputy Vice Chancellor (International and Development)
Mrs K Colvin, Executive Officer to the Vice-Chancellor

Visitors: Mr A Bissett

Secretariat: Ms E Lawler, Company Matters
1. QUORUM AND APOLOGIES

The Chancellor confirmed that a quorum was present.

The Chancellor welcomed new members, Dr Wylie Bradford, Professor Deb Kane, Professor Linda Cupples, Mr Greg Ward and Mr John Wigglesworth to their first Council meeting. The Chancellor also noted the Minister had approved the re-appointments for The Hon. Patricia Forsythe, The Hon. Sandra Nori, Mr Greg Jones and Ms Elizabeth Crouch and congratulated these members.

The Chancellor noted apologies from:

Mr A Bissett; and
Mr S Rubic.

The Chancellor welcomed Mr Bissett to the meeting via teleconference and noted that he would not be counted for quorum or voting purposes as the Macquarie University Act and current Council rules do not allow for attendance by Council members at Council meetings by telephone.

RESOLVED 11/1

_Council resolved to excuse all Councillors absent from this meeting, in accordance with the provisions of clause 2(i) of Schedule 1 of the Macquarie University Act 1989._

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no new declarations of interest.

3. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Items under sections 2, 3 and 4 and item 5.1 were agreed for discussion.

RESOLVED 11/2

_The Council resolved to approve and note, as appropriate, items 5.2 and 5.3 in the agenda._

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 1 DECEMBER 2010 AND MATTERS ARISING
(Agenda items 2.1 and 2.2)

RESOLVED 11/3

_Council resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 1 December 2010 as a true and correct record._

Council noted the Matters Arising from the Minutes of 1 December 2010 meeting.

5. MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING OF 2 FEBRUARY 2011
(Agenda item 2.3)
The Deputy Chancellor spoke to and Council discussed the minutes of the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting.

The Deputy Chancellor advised Council that the Committee would receive its annual economic briefing at the June meeting and advised that all Council members would be welcome to attend.

The Hon S Nori advised she was an apology for the meeting and requested this be noted in the minutes.

Council considered and noted the minutes of the Finance and Facilities Committee of 2 February 2011.

6. MINUTES OF THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE MEETINGS OF 20 SEPTEMBER 2010 AND 23 NOVEMBER 2010 (Agenda item 2.4)

Council considered and noted the minutes of the Discipline Committee meetings held on 20 September 2010 and 23 November 2010.

7. MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON APPEALS MEETING OF 8 DECEMBER 2010 (Agenda item 2.5)

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8. CHANCELLOR RE-ELECTION (Agenda item 3.1)

The Chancellor expressed a conflict in regard to the paper under consideration and absented himself from the meeting for this discussion and resolution.

In accordance with the provisions of Schedule 1, Clause 7(2) of the Macquarie University Act 1989, the Deputy Chancellor presided for this item.

The Deputy Chancellor noted that the Chancellor had advised that he wishes to seek re-appointment to the role of Chancellor. The Deputy Chancellor advised that no other nominations had been received.

RESOLVED 11/5

_Council resolved that the Hon Michael Egan be re-appointed as Chancellor for a term of three years from 1 March 2011 to 28 February 2014._

The Chancellor re-joined the meeting and the Chancellor resumed as the Presiding Member of the meeting.

The Council congratulated the Chancellor on his re-appointment.

9. ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW ENTITY IN SINGAPORE (Agenda item 3.4)

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10. ACADEMIC SENATE REPORT  
(Agenda Item 3.2)

The Vice-President of Academic Senate spoke to the report. The Council noted and discussed the report.

Mr C Darvall joined the meeting at 4.35pm.

RESOLVED (11/8)

Council resolved, as recommended by the Academic Senate:

1. That a new award of Diploma in Business be available as an exit award for students at Tsinghua School of Continuing Education who do not proceed into the Bachelor of Commerce with effect from 1 July 2011.

2. That the introduction of the following new awards be approved with effect from 1 January, 2012:

   Arts
   Master of Indigenous Education
   Postgraduate Diploma in Indigenous Education
   Postgraduate Certificate in Indigenous Education

   Business and Economics
   Bachelor of Marketing and Media
   Master of Financial Regulation
   Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Regulation
   Postgraduate Certificate in Financial Regulation
   Master of Corporate Governance

   Science
   Graduate Certificate in Palaeobiology

3. That Rule 2(11) of the Rules for the Degree of Master by Coursework be amended with immediate effect as follows:

   “2(11) Where a candidate has completed units an award at Bachelor level or above in this University or in another higher education institution, the candidate may be granted credit therefor, as determined by the Academic Senate or delegated officers, towards the requirements for completion of units designated as Graduate Units under these Rules.”

10. NOMINATION OF EMERITUS PROFESSOR  
(Agenda item 3.3)

The Vice-Chancellor spoke to the recommendation for Nomination of Emeritus Professor.

RESOLVED 11/9

Council resolved that Professor Christopher Noel Candlin be awarded the title of Emeritus Professor of Macquarie University.
11. VICE-CHANCELLOR’S REPORT  
(Agenda item 4.1)

The Chancellor spoke to his February report and updated the Council on:

- The increase in domestic students nominating Macquarie University as first choice;
- The review underway of base funding arrangements; and
- The opening of the Cochlear building and the positive collaboration with Cochlear to date.

P Dodd left the meeting at 5.25pm.

Council discussed and noted the report.

12. OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT  
(Agenda Item 4.2)

Mr T Sprague spoke to the report. Council noted the significant turnaround in OH&S performance over the past few years.

Council discussed and noted the report.

13. ICMS  
(Agenda Item 5.1)

Council noted the paper.

14. INTERNATIONAL STUDENT METRICS  
(Agenda Item 4.3)

Ms Caroline Trotman provided a presentation on international student metrics.

16. OTHER BUSINESS:

Next meeting

Council noted the next meeting is scheduled for 27 April 2011.

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 6.20 pm.

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Chancellor