1. QUORUM AND APOLOGIES

The Chancellor confirmed that a quorum was present. The Chancellor noted apologies from Mr Darvall and Mr Lindsay.
The Chancellor noted this would be the last Council meeting for the Vice-Chancellor.

The Chancellor also noted that Dr Dodd was not present at the meeting due to illness and that this would also have been his last Council meeting. The Chancellor thanked Dr Dodd for his contributions and wished him well for the future including his continued involvement with the Hospital and MGSM.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chancellor advised he had become a member of the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC).

Council noted the updated declaration and that there were no other new declarations of interest.

3. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

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

RESOLVED 12/25

*The Council resolved to approve and note, as appropriate, items 5.1, 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4 in the agenda.*

4. MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council noted there were no matters raised by Council members in advance.

5. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 20 JUNE 2012 AND MATTERS ARISING
   (Agenda items 2.1 and 2.2)

RESOLVED 12/26

*Council resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Council held on 20 June 2012 as a true and correct record.*

*Matters Arising*

Council noted the progress on Matters Arising from the Minutes of 20 June 2012 meeting and outstanding matters from previous meetings.

6. MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING OF 24 JULY 2012
   (Agenda item 2.3)

The Deputy Chancellor spoke to and Council discussed the minutes of the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting held on 24 July 2012.

Council considered and noted the minutes of the Finance and Facilities Committee of 24 July 2012.

7. MINUTES OF THE AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE MEETING OF 2 AUGUST 2012
   (Agenda item 2.4)

Mr Wigglesworth spoke to and Council discussed the minutes of the Audit & Risk
Committee meeting held on 2 August 2012.

Council considered and noted the minutes of the Audit & Risk Committee of 2 August 2012.

8. MINUTES OF THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING OF 7 AUGUST 2012
(Agenda item 2.5)

The Chancellor advised Council of the recommendations of the Nominations Committee in respect to Council members with terms concluding on 31 December 2012. The Chancellor advised that Mr Darvall had requested that Council meetings for 2013 be held on Thursdays. Council agreed to hold meetings on Thursdays in 2013.

Ms Elizabeth Crouch and Mr Greg Jones left the meeting at 4.30pm.

RESOLVED 12/28

RESOLVED, as recommended by the Nominations Committee that:

1. Ms Elizabeth Crouch be re-appointed as a member appointed to the University Council under Section 9(1)(c) of the Macquarie University Act 1989 for a term commencing on 1 January 2013 and concluding on 31 December 2016;

2. as per Clause 1(3) of Schedule 1 of the Macquarie University Act 1989, Ms Elizabeth Crouch be permitted to serve more than 12 consecutive years in office;

3. Mr Greg Jones be re-appointed as a member appointed to the University Council under Section 9(1)(c) of the Macquarie University Act 1989 for a term commencing on 1 January 2013 and concluding on 31 December 2016;

4. as per Clause 1(3) of Schedule 1 of the Macquarie University Act 1989, Mr Greg Jones be permitted to serve more than 12 consecutive years in office; and

5. that it be noted that resolutions 1 and 3 will not be implemented until the governing body resolution comes into effect, which will be the date specified in the Minister’s order published at the NSW legislation website, in accordance with section 4(3) of the Universities Governing Bodies Act 2011.

Ms Elizabeth Crouch and Mr Greg Jones re-joined the meeting at 4.35pm.

RESOLVED 12/29

RESOLVED, as recommended by the Nominations Committee that:

1. Mr Chum Darvall be re-appointed as a member appointed to the University Council under Section 9(1)(g) of the Macquarie University Act 1989 for a term commencing on 1 January 2013 and concluding on 31 December 2016;

2. Mr Steven Rubic be re-appointed as a member appointed to the University Council under Section 9(1)(g) of the Macquarie University Act 1989 for a
term commencing on 1 January 2013 and concluding on 31 December 2016;

3. The Hon. Patricia Forsythe be re-appointed as a member appointed to the University Council under Section 9(1)(b) of the Macquarie University Act 1989 for a term commencing on 1 January 2013 and concluding on 31 December 2016, subject to the approval of the Minister;

4. The Hon. Sandra Nori be re-appointed as a member appointed to the University Council under Section 9(1)(c) of the Macquarie University Act 1989 for a term commencing on 1 January 2013 and concluding on 31 December 2016; and

5. that it be noted that resolution 4 will not be implemented until the governing body resolution comes into effect, which will be the date specified in the Minister’s order published at the NSW legislation website, in accordance with section 4(3) of the Universities Governing Bodies Act 2011.

Professor Sachs joined the meeting at 4.40pm.

(Agenda item 2.6)

Council noted the minutes of the Discipline Committee meetings held on 9 December 2011, 26 March 2012 and 4 May 2012.

(Agenda item 2.7)

The minutes of the Standing Committee on Appeals meetings held on 30 March 2012, 27 April 2012, 30 April 2012 and 1 June 2012 were tabled.

Council noted the minutes of the Standing Committee on Appeals meetings held on 30 March 2012, 27 April 2012, 30 April 2012 and 1 June 2012.

11. ACADEMIC SENATE REPORT
(Agenda item 3.1)

The Vice-President of Academic Senate spoke to the report and responded to questions from the meeting.

RESOLVED 12/30

RESOLVED that, as recommended by Academic Senate, that:

1. the introduction of the Bachelor of Ancient History (BAncHist) is approved, with effect from 1 January 2013; and

2. the establishment of the Master of Accounting (Professional) with Master of Commerce is approved, with effect from 1 January 2013.

Council noted and discussed the report.
The Vice-Chancellor left the meeting at 5.10pm.

12. NOMINATION OF EMERITUS PROFESSOR
(Agenda item 3.2)

The Chancellor spoke to and Council discussed the recommendation to award the title of Emeritus Professor to Professor Schwartz.

RESOLVED 12/31

RESOLVED to approve the awarding of the title of Emeritus Professor to Professor Steven Schwartz.

The Vice-Chancellor re-joined the meeting at 5.13pm.

Council congratulated the Vice-Chancellor on the award of the title.

13. REMUNERATION OF DIRECTORS OF MUH OPERATIONS NO. 2 LIMITED
(Agenda item 3.3)

Council noted this is a resolution of the Class A members of MUH Operations No. 2 Limited.

A meeting of the members of MUH Operations No. 2 Limited was closed at 5.15pm.

The Council meeting re-convened at 5.15pm.

Ms Anderson, Ms Colvin, Professor Cupples, Mr Jenkins, Professor Kane, Professor Piper, Professor Sachs, Ms Schott, Mr Sprague and Mr Wright re-joined the meeting at 5.15pm.

14. 2012 COUNCIL PERFORMANCE REVIEW PROCESS
(Agenda item 3.4)

The Chancellor spoke to and Council discussed the paper regarding the 2012 Council Performance Review process and noted the recommendations contained within the paper.

Council noted that members have a standing invitation to attend Committee meetings and that Committee papers will be made available to all Council members via BoardPad.

Mr Rowe joined the meeting at 5.20pm.

15. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL
(Agenda Item 4.3)

Ms Anderson spoke to the paper and responded to questions from the meeting.

Council noted a paper will be submitted to the next Council recommending a Charter for the Student Representative Council, including any areas of disagreement following consultation.

Council discussed and noted the paper.

16. PRESENTATION – STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL
(Agenda Item 4.4)
Council discussed and noted the presentation.

Mr Bissett left the meeting at 5.50pm.

Mr Rowe left the meeting at 5.55pm.

17. THE CURRENT STATE AND FUTURE OF STUDENT REPRESENTATION AT MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY (Agenda Item 4.5)

Ms Brooks spoke to the paper on Student Representation and responded to questions from the meeting.

Council discussed and noted the paper.

The Hon. P Forsythe left the meeting at 6.10pm.

Ms Brooks put forward the recommendation that Council recommends to the DVC Students that:

a) all past and present employees of Macquarie University who hold a position on the Student Services and Amenities Fee Steering Committee be asked to declare their employment to the Committee; and

b) future meetings of the Student Services and Amenities Fee Steering Committee be chaired by a student member of the Committee, selected by a vote of the Committee.

Council rejected the recommendations.

18. IMPROVING ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY (Agenda Item 4.8)

Professor Sachs spoke to the paper and responded to questions from the meeting.

Council discussed and noted that:

- Professor Sachs will be responsible for implementing the Improving English Language Proficiency project, with support from Academic Senate; and
- It is intended that KPIs be included for Deans for English Language Proficiency targets;
- Proposals for funding of the project will be part of the 2013 budget process; and
- A report will be provided to every second meeting of Council on progress with the project.

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

Mr Sprague spoke to the report and noted a minor error in the report related to the benchmark rate.

Council discussed and noted the report.

20. ISSUES PAPER (Agenda Item 4.6)

Council noted the paper.
21. GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT  
(Agenda Item 4.7)

Council noted the General Counsel Report.

22. VICE-CHANCELLOR’S REPORT  
(Agenda item 4.1)

The Vice-Chancellor spoke to the report and thanked Council and the Executive for their support over his term as Vice-Chancellor.

Council discussed and noted the report.

The Chancellor thanked the Deputy Chancellor and Greg Jones, on behalf of Council for their involvement in the recruitment of the Vice-Chancellor.

The Chancellor congratulated the Vice-Chancellor on his achievements over his term and thanked him for his significant contributions. The Chancellor noted that the Vice-Chancellor was an inspired choice and he has been an excellent leader who has improved the University in all areas and attracted and retained great people.

23. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER’S REPORT  
(Agenda Item 5.1)

Council noted the report.

24. STAFFING REPORT  
(Agenda Item 5.2)

Council noted the Staffing Report.

25. REPORT OF DOCUMENTS EXECUTED UNDER POWER OF ATTORNEY  
(Agenda Item 5.3)

Council noted the paper.

26. POLICY REVIEW PROCESS  
(Agenda Item 5.4)

Council noted the paper.

27. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

Next meeting

Council noted the next Council meeting is scheduled for 17 October 2012.

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 6.30pm.