



COUNCIL DIGEST

An update on the key decisions made and matters discussed by Council at its meeting on Thursday 19 August 2021.

STRATEGY

Chancellor's Report

The Chancellor provided a report on the reframing of the Council Strategy Session, in consideration of, among other things, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the day-to-day operations of the University and achievement of current strategic objectives.

Vice-Chancellor's Strategy and Enterprise Performance Report

The Vice-Chancellor provided a report on the University's strategy and enterprise performance, including updates on contingency planning in moving back to an online study and work environment and implementation of additional safeguards across the University's IT network.

Council discussed and noted the report.

Professional Services Transformation – Ways of Working Report

The Vice-President, People and Services provided a presentation on the progress of the Professional Services Transformation project of the Ways of Working stream (University Operating Plan 2022 – 2024).

Council noted the presentation.

Digital Transformation Report

The Chief Information Officer provided a presentation on digital transformation, focussing on the University's vision, strategy, and roadmap, strategic priorities, aspirations and digital capabilities, and challenges and opportunities across the digital environment.

Council discussed and noted the report.

Faculty of Arts Report and Strategic Initiatives

The Executive Dean, Faculty of Arts provided a presentation on the Faculty of Arts and its strategic initiatives, including an overview of the redesign and alignment of offerings, restructure of the Faculty's academic leadership, the Arts Precinct developments, and implementation of the Faculty's vision as a community of scholars.

Council discussed and noted the report.

REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

Vice-Chancellor's Report

Council discussed and noted the report, including the spread of grant funding success across the University and policy updates.

Health and Safety Report

Council discussed and noted the Health and Safety report.

Finance and Facilities Committee Report and Recommendations – 27 July 2021 meeting

The Chair of the Finance and Facilities Committee provided a report of the Committee meeting held on 27 July 2021, including the approval of the award of a new provider for the University's security services and the performance of the University's long term renewable energy contracts.

Council discussed and noted the report.

Audit and Risk Committee Report and Recommendations – 5 August 2021 Meeting

The Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee provided a report of the Committee meeting held on 10 June 2021, including the review of the University's Fraud and Corruption Prevention Policy (retitled as the Fraud and Corruption Control Policy).

Council discussed and noted the report.

Student Experience Committee Report and Recommendations – 5 August 2021 Meeting

The Chair of the Student Experience Committee provided a report of the Committee meeting held on 5 August 2021.

Council discussed and noted the report.

Review of the Student Representative Committee

Council received the report on the performance review – functional and structural arrangements of the Student Representative Committee and noted the recommendations in the report.

Academic Senate Report and Recommendations – 20 July 2021 Meeting

The Chair of the Academic Senate provided a report of the Academic Senate meeting held on 20 July 2021, including a recommendation for the award of Emeritus Professor and inclusion of the amended Academic Senate Statement on Academic Freedom in the Freedom of Speech Policy.

Council discussed and noted the report including inclusion of the amended Academic Senate Statement on Academic Freedom in the Freedom of Speech Policy. Council resolved to approve the award of Emeritus Professor.

Report on Student Misconduct Matters

Council discussed and noted the report on student misconduct matters, including the new 'Advocate' system to streamline reporting of allegations of student misconduct.

Report on TEQSA Re-Registration

Council discussed and noted the report and status of activities.

OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED/APPROVED

Review of the Delegations of Authority Policy

Council resolved to accept the review of the Delegations of Authority Policy and agreed that no amendments are considered necessary at this time.

2022-2024 Calendar of Governance

Council resolved to endorse the Macquarie University Council and Reporting Committees Calendar of Governance 2022 – 2024.

Staff Code of Conduct

Council discussed and noted the revised Staff Code of Conduct.

Amendments to the Constitution of Dunmore Lang Colleges Limited

Council resolved to approve the revised Constitution of Dunmore Lang Colleges Limited.