

COUNCIL DIGEST

An update on the key decisions made and matters discussed by Council at its meeting on Thursday 7 April 2022.

STRATEGY

Council Strategy Session

Council noted the summary of outcomes from the Council Strategy Day including its reaffirmation of the broad strategic framework set out in the Our University: A Framing of Futures and the execution of the strategy through the University Operating Plan 2020 – 2024. Council discussed next steps including key priorities for focus and report on through the Vice-Chancellor and Executive Group members.

Vice-Chancellor's Strategy and Enterprise Performance Report

Council discussed and noted the report and presentation providing an update on Session 1, 2022, including the work being conducted across the University and the strategy across the faculties.

Faculty of Arts Report and Strategic Initiatives (Presentation)

Council discussed and noted the presentation from the Executive Dean, Faculty of Arts on the Faculty of Arts and its strategic initiatives.

Council noted the recent announcement of Professor Martina Möllering from the University and acknowledged the contributions and achievements of Professor Möllering during her 30 years with the University, particularly in regard to her leadership of the Faculty of Arts.

REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

Vice-Chancellor's Report

Council discussed and noted the Vice-Chancellor's report, including the impending release of the results of the National Student Safety Survey.

Academic Senate Report and Recommendations – 22 February 2022 and 22 March 2022 Meetings

The Chair of the Academic Senate provided a report of and recommendations arising from the Academic Senate meetings held on 22 February and 22 March 2022, including the submission of the 2021 annual report to Council on the activities of Academic Senate in performing its functions, responsibilities, and executing delegated authorities.

Council resolved to receive and accept the 2021 annual report of the Academic Senate and approved the amendments to the Academic Senate Rules and the General Coursework Rules. Council also noted the review of the shared academic governance model and Academic Senate's recommendation to Council to introduce formal delegations replacing the authorisations to Faculty Boards relating to a range of curriculum and academic matters.

Report for the Audit and Risk Committee - 17 March 2022 Meeting

The Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee provided a report of the Committee meeting held on 17 March 2022, including the recommendation of the 2021 Financial Statements to Council, the reporting of trended data by the Chief Risk Officer in the risk management report, and submission of the Committee's annual report to Council for 2021.

Council discussed and noted the report and resolved to receive and accept the annual report from the Audit and Risk Committee for 2021.

Student Experience Committee Report and Recommendations – 17 March 2022 Meeting

The Chair of the Student Experience Committee provided a report of the Committee meeting held on 17 March 2022, including the submission of the Committee's annual report to Council for 2021.

Council discussed and noted the report, including that the review of the Student Experience Committee Terms of Reference would be submitted to the June 2022 Council meeting for consideration, and resolved to receive and accept the annual report from the Student Experience Committee for 2021.

Health and Safety Report

Council discussed and noted the Health and Safety report.

Report on Student Misconduct/Discipline Matters

Council noted and discussed the report on student misconduct/discipline matters.

TEQSA Registration Renewal Update

Council noted the update on the progress of the TEQSA registration renewal.

OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED/APPROVED

Council Membership - Deputy Chancellor Term

Louise Mason was re-elected as Deputy Chancellor for a two year term, commencing on 1 July 2022.

Annual Financial Statements 2021

Council discussed and approved the financial report for the period ended 31 December 2021.

Annual Report 2021

Council reviewed and approved the 2021 Macquarie University Annual Report to Parliament.

Change in Name of North Ryde Campus

Council discussed and approved a change in the name from the North Ryde campus to the Wallumattagal campus at North Ryde.

Information Management and Technology Special Purpose Committee - Membership

Council approved the appointment of Ms Deborah Hadwen, Ms Anne Garlick, and Ms Lyn Cobley to the membership of the Information Management and Technology Special Purpose Committee.

Controlled Entities – Board Terms of Reference

Council approved the revised board terms of reference of controlled entities.

Open Universities Australia – Revised Constitution and Shareholders Agreement

Council approved the revised Open Universities Australia Pty Ltd Constitution and the revised Open Universities Australia Pty Ltd Shareholders Deed.