

## THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

### COUNCIL MINUTES

The 448<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Council was held at 9:15am on **Friday 5 October 2018**, in the R.C. Mills Room, Chancelry.

#### **Present:**

The Chancellor, Professor Gareth Evans AC QC (in the Chair)  
The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Brian P. Schmidt AC  
Professor Suzanne Cory AC  
Mr Graeme Samuel AC  
Dr Doug McTaggart  
Ms Natasha Stott Despoja AM  
Mr Peter Yu  
Professor Matthew Colless  
Associate Professor Ben Corry  
Dr Ceridwen (Crid) Fraser  
Mrs Claire Shrewsbury  
Mr Zyl Hovenga-Wauchope  
Ms Eleanor Kay

#### **Apologies:**

The Pro-Chancellor, Ms Naomi Flutter  
Ms Anne-Marie Schwirtlich AM

#### **In attendance:**

Council member-elect – Ms Eden Lim  
Provost – Professor Mike Calford  
Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Global Engagement) – Professor Shirley Leitch  
Chief Operating Officer – Mr Chris Grange  
Pro-Vice Chancellor (University Experience) – Professor Richard Baker  
Acting Pro-Vice Chancellor (Innovation) – Dr Keats Nelms  
Chief Financial Officer – Mr Adam Black  
Vice-President (Engagement and Corporate Affairs) – Ms Jane O'Dwyer  
Vice-President (Advancement) – Ms Barbara Miles  
Chair, Academic Board – Professor Jaqueline Lo  
Interim Financial Controller – Mr Paul Curtis (for Agenda Item 7)  
Director, 3A Institute – Professor Genevieve Bell (for Agenda Item 9)  
Director, Human Resources – Dr Nadine White (for Agenda Item 25)

#### **Chancelry staff:**

Council Secretary and Director, Corporate Governance and Risk Office – Mr Chris Reid  
Director, Office of the Vice-Chancellor – Mr Chris Price  
Senior Governance Officer, Corporate Governance and Risk Office – Ms Leslie McDonald  
Manager, Academic Governance – Mr Troy Larkins

### PART 1: PROCEDURAL ITEMS

#### **\*1. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND APOLOGIES**

Council formally welcomed Professor Matthew Colless, Associate Professor Ben Corry and Dr Ceridwen (Crid) Fraser to their first Council meeting as the new Academic Staff Representatives.

Council also welcomed Mr Zyl Hovenga-Wauchope to his first Council meeting as the Postgraduate Student Representative.

The Pro-Chancellor, Ms Naomi Flutter, conveyed her apologies on account of an interstate business commitment.

Ms Anne-Marie Schwirtlich was also an apology, leave having been granted at the Council meeting of 20 July 2018.

Council acknowledged this to be the last meeting for Ms Eleanor Kay and expressed its sincere gratitude for her service and conveyed to her every best wish for the future.

In attendance was Ms Eden Lim, who will succeed Ms Kay as the Undergraduate Student Representative on 1 December 2018.

## **\*2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Ms Stott-Despoja was granted leave for the Council meeting of 14 February 2019.

No other Council member sought leave of absence for a future meeting.

## **\*3. DISCLOSURE OF MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST**

No member disclosed any material personal interest.

## **\*4. ARRANGEMENT OF AGENDA**

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Council also agreed to star Item 14, Honorary Degree Nominations, for discussion.

Council determined to proceed with the rest of the agenda as proposed, with no further items being declared confidential or starred for discussion.

### **Resolved**

On the motion of the Vice-Chancellor, Council approved all unstarred items being dealt with as proposed in the agenda.

No Council member foreshadowed any item to be raised under Agenda Item 35, Other Business.

## **\*C5. MINUTES**

### **Resolved**

Council confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 20 July 2018 (179/2018) to be a true and accurate record.

## **PART 2: KEY BUSINESS ITEMS**

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### **\*C6.1 VICE-CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**

The Vice-Chancellor highlighted the following matters in speaking to his written report:

- The Senior Management Group (SMG) Retreat in August, focusing on the new ANU Resource Management Model (ARMM) and the budget.
- The importance of demonstrating the value of the output produced by the University using the funding provided by the National Institutes Grant (NIG).
- The appointment of the inaugural Chief Information Security Officer (CISO), Mr Suthagar Seevaratnam, who joins the University under the supervision of the Chief Operating Officer.
- A recent visit to Singapore, including a keynote address to the Good Science = Good Business 2018 event.

- The new partnership with the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre designed, in consultation with ACT Health, to deliver improved patient outcomes locally.

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### **Resolved**

Council noted the Vice-Chancellor's report.

### **\*C7. UNIVERSITY 2018 FINANCIAL PROJECTIONS AND 2019 BUDGET**

The Chief Financial Officer provided Council with a detailed overview of the University's 2018 financial projections and the proposed 2019 budget \*\*\*\*\*

### **Resolved**

Council:

1. Noted the University's 2018 financial projection; and
2. Approved the University Budget for 2019.

### **\*C8. STRATEGIC FINANCIAL FORECAST AND SCENARIO MODEL**

The Chief Financial Officer provided an update about strategic financial forecasting for the University \*\*\*\*\*.

### **Resolved**

Council

1. Noted the scenarios presented in the 5 year financial model; and
2. Endorsed further development of the model as reflected in the discussion.

### **\*C9. PHILANTHROPIC PRESENTATION – 3A INSTITUTE**

The Vice-President (Advancement) introduced the philanthropic theme, reminding Council members that their feedback is sought to ensure that each presentation is a compelling case for potential donors.

Professor Genevieve Bell, Director of the 3A Institute, presented an overview of the Institute's performance in the 12 months since its inception. \*\*\*\*\*

### **Resolved**

Council noted the presentation by Professor Bell.

## **PART 3: STRATEGIC ISSUES**

### **\*10. UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCE – PRESENTATION**

The Pro-Vice Chancellor (University Experience) provided an update on the University Experience (UE) Plan, and its implementation to date \*\*\*\*\*

### **Resolved**

Council noted the update on the University Experience Plan.

## **PART 4: OTHER MATTERS FOR DECISION**

### **\*11. COUNCIL MEETING DATES AND FORWARD AGENDA**

In discussing the meeting dates and forward agenda for 2019, the Chancellor also noted that planning had commenced for the Council Planning Day on 14 and 15 February 2019, and invited members to contact the Secretary with items for listing on the agenda.

**Resolved**

Council:

1. Approved the proposed meeting dates and forward agenda plan for 2019; and
2. Endorsed the acquittal of governance responsibilities for 2019.

**12. STUDENT SERVICES AND AMENITIES FEE (SSAF) 2019****Resolved**

Council approved the process for consulting students on the expenditure of Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF) funds for 2019.

**13. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS****Resolved**

Council approved all proposed Council Committee memberships.

**\*C14. HONORARY DEGREE NOMINATIONS****Resolved**

Council approved the award of honorary degrees

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**15. KAMBRI – STREET NAMING****Resolved**

Council approved the proposal to name the Laneway in Kambri, 'Germaine Joplin Lane'.

**16. ANU FOUNDATION – PROPOSED GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE****Resolved**

Council:

1. Approved the revised role and structure of the ANU Foundation and ANU Foundation Board;
2. Approved proposed strategies of action for the existing Foundations of the endowment; and
3. Noted the development of an ANU Foundation Board Charter.

**17. ACADEMIC BOARD CHARTER - REVISED****Resolved**

Council approved the revised Academic Board Charter.

**18. AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE CHARTER - REVISED****Resolved**

Council approved the revised Audit and Risk Management Committee Charter.

**PART 5: OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING****\*C19. ACADEMIC RANKING OF WORLD UNIVERSITIES (ARWU)**

The Vice-Chancellor and the Provost provided a summary of the Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU) Report, released on 15 August 2018 \*\*\*\*\*

**Resolved**

Council noted the 2018 Academic Ranking of World Universities results \*\*\*\*\*

**\*20. 2018 ENROLMENT AND LOAD REPORT (FULL YEAR TO DATE)**

The Provost provided a summary of the 2018 Enrolment and Load Report \*\*\*\*\*

**Resolved**

Council noted the report.

**21. WORKPLACE GENDER EQUALITY AGENCY–REPORT AND NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE 2018****Resolved**

Council noted:

1. The University's report submitted to the Workplace Gender Equality Agency (WGEA); and
2. The Notice of Compliance with the *Workplace Gender Equality Act 2012* (the Act) issued to the University by WGEA.

**\*C22. KAMBRI – UPDATE**

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**Resolved**

Council noted the Kambri update.

**\*C23. AHRC REPORT INTO SEXUAL ASSAULT AND HARASSMENT: ANU RESPONSE-UPDATE**

The Pro Vice-Chancellor (University Experience) provided an overview on progress in responding to The Australian Human Rights Commission report: *Change the course: National report on sexual assault and sexual harassment at Australian universities (2017)* \*\*\*\*\*

**Resolved**

Council noted the update.

**C24. STUDENT SAFETY REPORT**

The Pro Vice-Chancellor (University Experience) provided an overview of the Student Safety Report for the period 1 July 2018 to 31 August 2018 \*\*\*\*\*

**Resolved**

Council noted the Student Safety report.

**\*C25. STAFF WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT**

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Council reviewed the Work Health and Safety (WHS) report, including Injury Management and Rehabilitation for the period 1 January – 31 August 2018 \*\*\*\*\*

**Resolved**

Council noted the Work Health and Safety report, including Injury Management and Rehabilitation.

**C26. FINANCE COMMITTEE – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**Resolved**

Council noted the summary of major items considered by the Finance Committee at its meeting of 14 September 2018.

**27. AUDIT & RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**Resolved**

Council noted the summary of major items considered by the Audit & Risk Management Committee at its meeting held on 19 September 2018.

**28. CAMPUS PLANNING COMMITTEE - EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**Resolved**

Council noted the summary of major items considered by the Campus Planning Committee at its meeting of 17 September 2018.

**C29. ACADEMIC BOARD - EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**Resolved**

Council noted the summary of major items considered by the Academic Board at its meeting of 28 August 2018.

**C30. STANDARD AND POOR'S RATINGS REPORT**

**Resolved**

Council noted the Standard and Poor's Global Ratings Report.

**31. SIGNIFICANT VISITS AND EVENTS, GRANTS AND CONSULTANCIES**

**Resolved**

Council noted the report of significant visits and events, grants and consultancies.

**32. POWER OF ATTORNEY**

**Resolved**

Council noted that no transactions over which the Investment Manager exercised Power of Attorney were recorded since the last meeting of Council on 20 July 2018.

**33. LEGISLATION**

**Resolved**

Council noted that no legislation had been made since the last meeting of Council on 20 July 2018.

**34. UNIVERSITY SEAL**

**Resolved**

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**PART 6: OTHER BUSINESS**

**\*35. OTHER BUSINESS**

There were no items of other business considered by Council.

**\*36. NEXT MEETING**

Council noted that its next meeting will be held on Friday 7 December 2018.

The meeting closed at 12:50 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Professor the Hon Gareth Evans AC QC  
Chancellor  
The Australian National University

***(\*\*\*\*\* indicates a removed item which is confidential to Council Members)***