



THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

COUNCIL MINUTES

The 461st meeting of the Council was held at 8:30am (AEST) on **Tuesday 15 September 2020** using video/tele conferencing facilities.

Members present:

The Chancellor, The Hon Julie Bishop (in the Chair)
 The Pro-Chancellor, Ms Naomi Flutter
 The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Brian P Schmidt AC
 Professor Suzanne Cory AC
 Ms Natasha Stott Despoja AO
 Mr Mike Baird AO
 Ms Anne-Marie Schwirtlich AM
 Dr Doug McTaggart
 Ms Tanya Hosch
 Professor Matthew Colless
 Associate Professor Ben Corry
 Professor Kate Reynolds
 Ms Caterina Giugovaz
 Mr Lachlan Day

Observer

Mr Utsav Gupta
 Professor Juliana Ng

In attendance:

Chair, Academic Board - Professor Joan Leach (non-voting member of Council)

Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research and Innovation) - Professor Keith Nugent

Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) - Professor Grady Venville

Chief Operating Officer - Mr Paul Duldig

Pro Vice-Chancellor (Innovation) - Professor Michael Cardew-Hall

Pro Vice-Chancellor (International Strategy) - Professor Sally Wheeler

Interim Pro Vice-Chancellor (Education) - Professor Royston Gustavson

Vice-President (Engagement and Global Relations) - Ms Jane O'Dwyer

Vice-President (Advancement) - Ms Barbara Miles

Interim Chief Financial Officer - Ms Anna Tsikouris

Chief of Staff and Director, Office of the Vice-Chancellor - Mr Chris Price

Director, Planning & Performance Measurement - Ms Richelle Hilton

Director, Human Resources Division - Dr Nadine White

Director, Strategic Communications and Public Affairs – Mr Ed O'Daly

Council Secretary and Director, Corporate Governance and Risk Office - Mr Chris Reid

Associate Director, Corporate Governance and Risk Office - Mrs Megan Easton

Senior Governance Officer, Corporate Governance and Risk Office - Ms Leslie McDonald

Senior Governance Officer, Corporate Governance and Risk Office - Mr Greg Barry

Manager, Audit & Risk, Corporate Governance and Risk Office - Ms Sharon Sidhu

Senior Auditor, Corporate Governance & Risk Office - Mr Christian Coelho

PART 1: PROCEDURAL ITEMS

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND APOLOGIES

Council noted that:

- This was a Special Meeting convened principally to consider the University's Recovery Plan 2021-23 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Professor Juliana Ng from the College of Business and Economics was recently elected by the Deans and Heads of Research Schools as an academic staff representative on Council. Professor Ng will succeed Professor Matthew Colless on 30 September 2020 for two years, and joined the meeting as an observer.

2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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

3. DISCLOSURE OF MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST

No member disclosed any material personal interest.

4. ARRANGEMENT OF AGENDA

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

No objections were raised to non-confidential material being published.

5. MINUTES

Resolved

Council approved the minutes of the meeting held on 31 July 2020 (88/2020).

PART 2 – KEY BUSINESS ITEMS

6. VICE-CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

The Chancellor explained that the Vice-Chancellor had provided a full report in advance of the scheduled meeting on 2 October 2020.

Resolved

Council noted the Vice-Chancellor's report.

7. ANU RECOVERY PLAN 2021–23

Resolved

Council:

1. **Approved** the ANU Recovery Plan 2021-23 (including the Financial Health Strategy) as presented and endorsed by the Finance Committee on 11 September 2020.

2. **Approved** the release of the Initial Change Consultation paper (including with an introduction to be provided by the Vice-Chancellor).
3. **Noted** the ANU Recovery Plan 2021-23: Communications Summary.
4. **Requested** that the “ANU Recovery Plan – Implementation - Progress Report” be listed on the agenda for each Council meeting until determined otherwise.

PART 3 – OTHER BUSINESS

9. OTHER BUSINESS

Council noted that on Monday 14 September 2020, the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor attended a particularly successful online Australian Crisis Simulation Summit, facilitated by students of the ANU College of Law.

See: <https://australian-crisis-simulation-summit.com/>

10. NEXT MEETING

Council confirmed that its next scheduled meeting would proceed as planned, on Friday 2 October 2020, beginning at 9.15am (AEST), and that it may be facilitated both in person in the Chancelry Building and also via Zoom. Arrangements are to be confirmed as soon as possible.

The meeting closed at 11.19am (AEST).

The Hon Julie Bishop
Chancellor
The Australian National University

Date: _____

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