

THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

COUNCIL MINUTES

The 452nd meeting of the Council was held at 9.15am on **Friday 24 May 2019** in the R C Mills Room, Chancelry.

Members present:

The Chancellor, Professor Gareth Evans AC QC (in the Chair)
The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Brian P. Schmidt AC
The Pro-Chancellor, Ms Naomi Flutter
Ms Anne-Marie Schwirtlich AM
Professor Kate Reynolds
Mr Peter Yu
Mr Graeme Samuel AC
Professor Suzanne Cory AC
Professor Matthew Colless
Associate Professor Ben Corry
Mrs Claire Shrewsbury
Mr Zyl Hovenga-Wauchope
Ms Eden Lim

Apologies:

Ms Natasha Stott Despoja AM
Dr Doug McTaggart

Observer:

Ms Maree Allen (Culture and Development, Human Resources Division)

In attendance:

Provost - Professor Mike Calford
Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research & Innovation) - Professor Keith Nugent
Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) - Professor Grady Venville
Chief Operating Officer - Mr Chris Grange
Acting Pro Vice-Chancellor (Education) – Associate Professor Royston Gustavson
Chief Financial Officer - Mr Adam Black
Vice-President (Engagement and Global Relations) - Ms Jane O'Dwyer
Vice-President (Advancement) - Ms Barbara Miles
Chair, Academic Board - Professor Jacqueline Lo
Interim Director, Human Resources – Mr Chistos Roussos
Director, Investments Office - Ms Mary Fallon
Director, Planning and Performance Measurement - Ms Richelle Hilton
Associate Director, Planning and Performance Measurement – Ms Sarah Withers
Director, Service Improvement Group - Ms Lakshmi West
Deputy Director (Operations), ANU Advancement – Ms Felicity Gouldthorp
ANU College of Health and Medicine - Associate Professor Ray Lovett
ANU Advancement - Mr Norm Bradshaw
ANU Advancement – Ms Claudia Santangelo
Director ANU Indigenous Health and Wellbeing Research Institute – Professor Terry Dunbar

Council Secretary and Director, Corporate Governance and Risk Office - Mr Chris Reid
Director, Office of the Vice-Chancellor - Mr Chris Price
Associate Director, Corporate Governance and Risk Office - Mrs Megan Easton
Senior Governance Officer, Corporate Governance and Risk Office - Ms Leslie McDonald

PART 1: PROCEDURAL ITEMS

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND APOLOGIES

2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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

Council determined to proceed with 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.

5. MINUTES

Resolved

Council confirmed the minutes of the meeting of 29 March 2019 to be a true and accurate record.

PART 2 – KEY BUSINESS ITEMS

6. CHANCELLORSHIP - UPDATE

Resolved

Council noted the update from the Pro-Chancellor.

7. VICE-CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Resolved

Council noted the report from the Vice-Chancellor.

8. 2019 FINANCIAL PROJECTIONS - UPDATE

Resolved

Council:

1. Noted the University's 2019 financial projection and year to date result.

PART 3 – STRATEGIC ISSUES

9. UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCE PLAN – PRESENTATION

The Provost provided an update about the University Experience plan.

During the presentation, the following main points were made:

- The principles of the Plan are designed to achieve equity within the University and across society, and lead the sector in providing a safe and respectful work and study environment.
- The Plan seeks to fulfil the University's responsibility to Indigenous Australia.
- The commitment to IDEA (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Access) and the submission of the SAGE Athena Swan Bronze Institution Award are important initiatives established to achieve greater equity at the University.
- The new Respectful Relationships Unit will lead a review of policy and procedure, and the development of training and resources to support the Plan.

Resolved

Council noted the update *****

10. PHILANTHROPIC PRESENTATION – MAYI KUWAYU STUDY

Associate Professor Ray Lovett delivered a presentation about the need for support for CAEPR's Mayi Kuwayu Study, designed to document the previously under-researched and under-appreciated impact of Indigenous culture as a missing ingredient in the design of health and wellbeing programs.

Resolved

Council noted the philanthropic presentation on the Mayi Kuwayu study and thanked Associate Professor Lovett for his presentation.

PART 4 – OTHER MATTERS FOR DECISION

14. STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER – UPDATE

Resolved

Council approved the Strategic Risk Register (1st update for 2019)

16. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

Resolved

Council approved the appointment of Dr Doug McTaggart as the Chair of the Finance Committee from 1 August 2019, and noted the Council Committees membership update.

17. ARMC CHARTER - REVISED**Resolved**

Council approved the revised Audit and Risk Management Committee Charter.

PART 5 – OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING**18. DRAFT ANU BILL - UPDATE**

Resolved

Council:

1. Noted the update concerning the replacement of the *Australian National University Act 1991*.

19. STRATEGY DOT ZERO - PRESENTATION

***** a presentation about the Strategy Dot Zero software, a new platform designed to support the University's strategic planning, monitoring and reporting functions. *****

Resolved

Council noted the presentation *****

20. ACADEMIC GOVERNANCE REVIEW - REPORT

Resolved

Council:

1. Noted the Report, including the action taken by the Academic Board and SMG.

21. ANU ADVANCEMENT – MINI CAMPAIGN

Resolved

Council noted the update.

22. CECS REIMAGINE – PROGRESS REPORT

Resolved

Council noted the progress made since the CECS Reimagine Project was approved by Council on 7 December 2018.

23. ENGAGEMENT WITH GOVERNMENT – POST ELECTION 2019

Resolved

Council noted the University's pre-election engagement strategy and post-election initiatives with new and returning parliamentarians.

24. RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN – IMPLEMENTATION - UPDATE

Resolved

Council noted the report outlining progress with the implementation of the Reconciliation Action Plan.

26. ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT PROGRAM - UPDATE

Resolved

Council noted the update.

27. DIGITAL STRATEGY - UPDATE

Resolved

Council noted the progress made in developing a Digital Strategy.

28. ADMINISTRATIVE REFORM - UPDATE

Resolved

Council noted the Administrative Reform update

32. FINANCE COMMITTEE – EXECUTIVE SUMMARIES (22 MARCH & 10 MAY)

Resolved

Council noted the summary of major items considered by the Finance Committee at its meetings of 22 March and 10 May 2019.

33. AUDIT & RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Resolved

Council noted the summary of major items considered by the ARMC at its meeting of 15 May 2019.

34. CAMPUS PLANNING COMMITTEE – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Resolved

Council noted the summary of major items considered by the Campus Planning Committee at its meeting of 13 May 2019.

35. ACADEMIC BOARD – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Resolved

Council noted the summary of major items considered by the Academic Board at its meeting of 30 April 2019.

36. SIGNIFICANT VISITS AND EVENTS, GRANTS AND CONSULTANCIES

Resolved

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

37. POWER OF ATTORNEY

Resolved

Council noted that there were no transactions over which the Investment Manager exercised Power of Attorney since the last meeting of Council on 29 March 2019.

38. LEGISLATION

Resolved

Council noted legislation approved by the Vice-Chancellor – the *Coursework Awards Rule 2019*.

PART 6 – OTHER BUSINESS

40. OTHER BUSINESS

41. NEXT MEETING

Resolved

Council noted that its next meeting will be held on Friday 26 July 2019.

The meeting closed at 1.10 p.m.

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

Date: _____

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