

Minutes of the 491<sup>st</sup> meeting of **COUNCIL** held at 2pm on **Monday 11 December 2017** in the Council Chamber, The Chancellery

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**PRESENT**

Mr David Gonski AC, Chancellor  
Dr Jennifer Alexander  
Ms Maxine Brenner  
Associate Professor David Cohen  
Professor Ian Jacobs, President and Vice-Chancellor  
Mr Aaron Magner  
Mr Michael Murdocca  
Mr Warwick Negus  
Scientia Professor John Piggott  
Ms Jillian Segal AM

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr Edward Bartolo, Chair Arc Board (Item 13)  
Professor Brian Boyle, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Enterprise  
Professor Merlin Crossley, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Academic  
Ms Fiona Docherty, Vice-President, External Relations  
Professor Les Field, Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor  
Mr Brad Hannagan, CEO Arc (Item 13)  
Ms Shahina Mohamed, Chief Operating Officer, President and Vice-Chancellor's Office  
Mr Neil Morris, Director, Student Life (Item 13)  
Mr Russell Nelms, Chief Strategy Officer  
Mr Jeff Peers, Director, Estate Management (Item 7)  
Mr Andrew Walters, Vice-President, Finance & Operations  
Ms Catherine West, Acting Chief Financial Officer (Item 7)

**Secretary**

Mr James Fitzgibbon, Director of Governance  
Ms Elizabeth Grinston, University Solicitor & General Counsel  
(University Secretary)

*For convenience, agenda items were taken out of order.*

**Procedural Matters**

**1. Apologies and leave of absence**

Council noted the apologies.

**RESOLVED:**

Council granted leave of absence from the meeting to Mr Nicholas Carney, Mr Matthew Grounds, Mr Brian Long, Professor Kristy Muir and Mr Gaurav Vats.

**2. Declarations of interest and conflicts of interest**

Council noted that the Register of Interests will be included in the Council meeting pack biannually (February & August).

Ms Maxine Brenner reminded Council of her interest in Origin Energy and advised Council that she would abstain from voting on Item 7.4.

3. **Minutes of previous meeting and business arising (other than business in this agenda)**
  - 3.1 **Minutes of Council meeting held on 23 October 2017**

Council confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 23 October 2017 as an accurate record and authorised the Chancellor to sign them.
  - 3.2 **Matters arising and business carried forward**

Council noted that all matters arising and business carried forward were either completed or in progress.
4. **Adoption of items for noting and approval, and starring of items**

A motion for the adoption of the non-confidential and confidential items for noting was received and carried. No additional items were starred.

## **Management and Strategy**

- C5. **Report of the President and Vice-Chancellor to Council**
6. **Reports on the proceedings of the Academic Board**
  - C 6.1 **Report to Council by President of the Academic Board**
    - 6.1.1 **Academic Board Annual Report**

Council noted the Academic Board Annual Report.
    - 6.1.2 **Appointments to the Academic Board**

**RESOLVED:**  
Council, on the recommendation of the Academic Board, appointed:

      - a. Professor Ramaswami Harindranath as a member of the Academic Board, in the category of Professorial Member from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, until 31 December 2018.
      - b. Professor Louise Chappell as a member of the Academic Board, in the category of "Such other Persons," until 31 December 2018.
  - 6.2 **Report on the establishment of a Degree, Diploma, Certificate or Other Award Program by Academic Board**

Council noted the report.
  - 6.3 **Academic Board meetings**
    - 6.3.1 **Confirmed minutes of 3 October 2017**

Council noted the confirmed minutes of the Academic Board meeting held on 3 October 2017.
    - 6.3.2 **Confirmed minutes of 7 November 2017**

Council noted the confirmed minutes of the Academic Board meeting held on 7 November 2017.

- 6.4 Academic Board nomination to the Honorary Degrees Committee**  
**RESOLVED:**  
Council, on the recommendation of the Academic Board, appointed Professor Louise Chappell to the Honorary Degrees Committee for a term of office from 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2019.
- C7. Finance Committee Report**
  - 7.1 Finance Meeting Pack of 6 December 2017**
  - 7.2 Report of Finance Committee meeting held on 6 December 2017**
  - 7.3 Confirmed Minutes of Finance Committee meeting held on 5 October 2017**
  - 7.4 Solar Energy Power Purchase Agreement**  
This matter was addressed under Item 7.2 above.
- C8. Audit Committee Report**
  - 8.1 Report of Audit Committee meeting held on 20 November 2017**
  - 8.2 International Student & Agent Assurances**
- C9. Risk Committee Report**
  - 9.1 Confirmed Minutes of Risk Committee meeting held on 29 August 2017**
  - 9.2 Report of Risk Committee meeting held on 23 November 2017**
  - 9.3 Risk Committee Terms of Reference**
- C10. 2025 Council Sub-committee Report**
  - 10.1 Unconfirmed Minutes of 2025 Council Sub-committee meeting held on 23 October 2017**
  - 10.2 Report of UNSW 2025 Council Sub-committee meeting held on 11 December 2017**
  - 10.3 UNSW 2025 Strategy Update**
  - 10.4 Benefits Realisation**
  - 10.5 2018 Project Assurance Review Plan**
- C11. Honorary Degrees Committee Report**
  - 11.1 Honorary Degrees Committee Recommendation**
  - 11.2 Unconfirmed Minutes of meeting held on 21 November 2017**
- 12. Globalising our Student Experience**  
Council deferred this item to the next meeting [Matter Arising].
- 13. Student Life and Recreation Facilities**

**13.1 Arc Strategy**

Mr Bartolo presented an overview of Arc's vision, governance, membership and activities.

**C13.2 Future use of the UNSW Village Green**

**C14. Presentation on IT – Chief Digital Officer**

Council deferred this item to the next meeting [**Matter Arising**].

**Items for Approval and Noting**

**15. Amendments to the UNSW Rules**

**RESOLVED:**

Council approved the amendments to the UNSW Rules (Schedule 8 – Terms of Reference – Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) Board of Studies) as set out in the document presented.

**C16. Register of Use of Seal and University Name and Arms**

**17. 2018 Council and Committee Meeting Dates**

Council noted the proposed meeting dates for 2018.

**18. Business Without Notice**

There was no business without notice.

**C19. Council Members Only Session**

**NEXT MEETING**

The next Council meeting will be held on Monday 19 February 2018 at 2pm in the Council Chamber.

There being no other business, the Chancellor declared the meeting closed at 5.00pm.

SIGNED AS A CORRECT RECORD

Presiding Member

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Mr David Gonski AC  
Chancellor  
19 February 2018