

COUNCIL NON-CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES



Minutes of the 526th meeting of **COUNCIL** held at **2 pm** on **Tuesday 6 December 2022** via Teams.

PRESENT

Mr David Gonski AC, Chancellor
Professor Attila Brungs, Vice-Chancellor and President
Professor David Cohen, President of the Academic Board
Dr Jennifer Alexander
Dr Raji Ambikairajah
Ms Maxine Brenner
Mr Jeremy Ellis
Mr Matthew Grounds AM
Mr Mark Johnson
Mr Joshua Karras
Professor Louise Lutze-Mann
Professor Justine Nolan
Ms Catherine Rowe

APOLOGIES Mr Warwick Negus, Deputy Chancellor

IN ATTENDANCE Professor Eileen Baldry AO, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Equity Diversity & Inclusion
Professor Merlin Crossley, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Academic Quality
Ms Fiona Docherty, Vice-President, External Engagement
Professor Nicholas Fisk AM, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Research & Enterprise
Ms Clair Hodge, General Counsel
Professor Anne Simmons AM, Provost
Mr Andrew Walters, Vice-President, Operations
Scientia Professor George Williams AO, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Planning & Assurance

Present for item 5.4

Dr Chrissy Burns, Chief Information Officer

Mr Derek Winter, Director Cyber Security & Chief Information Security Officer

Present for items 7 and 8

Mrs Libby Stratford, Chief Financial Officer

Present for item 12

Mr Arv Sampath, CEO Mentem

Professor Chris Styles, Dean UNSW Business School

SECRETARY Mr James Fitzgibbon, Director of Governance and University Secretary
Mr Mark Smith, Deputy Director of Governance

For convenience, agenda items were taken out of order.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. Welcome, apologies and leave of absence

The Chancellor extended his respects to Elders past and present and acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of all the lands from which members were joining the meeting.

Council accepted an apology from Mr Warwick Negus for this meeting.

The Chancellor welcomed all members and attendees to the meeting, in particular the new Undergraduate student member Mr Jeremy Ellis.

The Chancellor noted that this would be the last meeting for Professor Eileen Baldry AO and took the opportunity, on behalf of Council to formally acknowledge and thank Professor Baldry for her outstanding contributions to the University which included:

- the various leadership positions held including Associate Dean (Education), Deputy Dean and Interim Dean in the former Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, and was the inaugural Deputy Vice-Chancellor Equity Diversity and Inclusion;
- being one of Australia's leading academic criminologists who had produced an impressive body of research and publications; and
- her generous contribution to the Australian community through her service on a range of public service bodies including in the roles of President of the NSW Council of Social Service; Deputy Chair of the NSW Disability Council; and as Chair of the NSW Ageing and Disability Commission Advisory Board.

The Chancellor requested Council records its deep gratitude to Professor Baldry for her service to UNSW and the Australian community.

Council recognised Professor Baldry's contribution by acclamation.

2. Declarations of interest and conflicts of interest

RESOLVED

Council received and noted the declarations and conflicts of interest provided at this meeting.

3. Minutes of previous meeting and business arising (other than business in this agenda)

3.1 Minutes of Council meeting held on 10 October 2022

RESOLVED

Council confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 10 October 2022 as an accurate record and authorised the Chancellor to sign them.

3.2 Matters arising and business carried forward

Council noted that all matters were either listed for discussion or scheduled for 2023.

4. Adoption of items for noting and approval, and starring of items

Council received and carried a motion for the adoption of the non-confidential and confidential items for approval and noting.

MANAGEMENT AND STRATEGY

5. Report of the Vice-Chancellor and President to Council

5.1 Federal and State Government Relations

5.2 Enterprise Bargaining

5.3 Global University Rankings

5.4 University's Response to Ransomware

5.5 Deep Dive on UNSW Strategy Focus Area – University Systems

6. Report on the proceedings of the Academic Board

Professor Cohen spoke to this item and highlighted the Academic Board 2022 Annual Report which included:

- the strong engagement from the senior leadership team with the work of the Board, in particular responding to questions on notice from Board members;

- the progress of the various working groups, including the working group reviewing ways to improve the student experience;
- the review of the Academic Promotions Policy and Procedure; and
- the assurance that the University was compliant with the requirements under Section 6.3 of the TEQSA Higher Education Standards Framework.

The Chancellor took the opportunity to thank Professor Cohen and the Academic Board for all their work throughout 2022.

6.1 Academic Board 2022 Annual Report

RESOLVED

Council received and noted the Academic Board 2022 Annual Report.

6.2 Report to Council by President of the Academic Board

RESOLVED

Council received and noted the report to Council by the President of the Academic Board.

6.3 Confirmed Minutes of the Academic Board meeting held on 11 October 2022

RESOLVED

Council received and noted the Confirmed Minutes of the Academic Board meeting held on 11 October 2022.

6.4 Report on the establishment of a Degree, Diploma, Certificate or Other Award Program by the Academic Board

RESOLVED

Council endorsed the Academic Board approval of its Report on the Establishment of a Degree, Diploma, Certificate, Specialisation or Other Award Program (Academic Offering) at its meeting held on 11 October 2022.

7. Finance and Strategy Committee Report

7.1 Unconfirmed Minutes of Finance and Strategy Committee Meeting held on 22 November 2022

7.2 Q3 2022 Financial Forecast and October 2022 Year to Date Group Results

7.3 Financial Plan 2023-2025

7.4 Procurement exemption

7.5 Benefits Realisation

7.6 Children's Cancer Institute of Australia Lease in the Health Translation Hub

7.7 Village Green Redevelopment – Gender Neutral Toilets – Funding Transfer

7.8 UNSW Integrated Acute Services Building – Stage 7 Construction

7.9 IDP Education Limited Shareholding

7.10 Viability Paper: Business Optimisation Strategy Discovery

8. Audit Committee Report

8.1 Unconfirmed Minutes of Audit Committee Meeting held on 7 November 2022

8.2 Report on red-rated Internal Audit Actions

9. Risk Committee Report

9.1 Unconfirmed Minutes of the Risk Committee Meeting held on 21 November 2022

9.2 Safety & Risk Committee Terms of Reference

- 9.3 Quarterly Health and Safety Management Report
- 9.4 Legislative Compliance – Annual Report 2022
- 9.5 Research Ethics and Compliance Annual Report

10. Information Technology Committee Report

- 10.1 Unconfirmed Minutes of Information Technology Committee Meeting held on 24 October 2022

11. Honorary Degrees Committee Report

- 11.1 Unconfirmed Minutes of the Honorary Degrees Committee Meeting held on 8 November 2022
- 11.2 Recommendations from Honorary Degrees Committee

12. Presentation: Mentem

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL AND NOTING

13. Register of Use of Seal and University Name and Arms

14. Controlled Entities – Proposed Constitution – UNSW Press Limited

15. Report of Approved Policy Documents

RESOLVED

Council received and noted the report of Approved Policy Documents for the period 28 September to 25 November 2022.

16. Compliance with the Voluntary Code of Best Practice for the Governance of Australian Universities

17. 2023 Schedule of Council and Council Committee Meeting Dates

RESOLVED

Council received and noted the 2023 Schedule of Council and Council Committee Meeting Dates.

18. Business without notice

Item 1 : Strategy 2025 / Acknowledgement

Council noted it would be helpful for Council to see a 2026 to 2031 strategy being developed in 2023. The request was put forward by Council to the Vice-Chancellor and the senior team, for key components of this new 5-year strategy to be presented across the 2023 Council meetings.

The Chancellor took the opportunity to thank members and the senior management team for their contribution and work throughout 2022 and advised that a small function would be held in early 2023 to thank everyone for their input.

Item 2 : Length of Meeting

RESOLVED

Council resolved to extend the 6 December 2022 meeting for a period not exceeding one hour pursuant to the requirements of Council resolutions CL96/60 and CL03/25.

19. COUNCIL MEMBERS ONLY SESSION

There being no other business, the Chancellor declared the meeting closed at 4.50 pm and moved into the Council Members Only Session.

The next Council meeting will be held on 13 February 2023.

SIGNED AS A CORRECT RECORD

Presiding Member
Mr David Gonski AC
Chancellor
14 / 04 /2023