THE HONOURABLE MS LENEEN FORDE AC DUNIV

Council noted that after 15 years as Chancellor, the Honourable Ms Leneen Forde AC, would conclude her final term of office on 31 May 2015.

Members noted the outstanding leadership and guidance provided by Ms Forde to Council and to University management over this lengthy period. It was noted that the members would adopt a formal minute of appreciation at the June 2015 meeting to place on record Council’s appreciation of Ms Forde’s extraordinary contributions during her many years of service to the University.

VICE CHANCELLOR’S REPORT

A copy of the Vice Chancellor’s Report to Council can be accessed from the following web site: link

2014 ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Council received the certified 2014 Annual Financial Statements and noted that the Statements had been tabled in Parliament on 31 March 2015.

ANNUAL REVIEW OF CORPORATE RISK REGISTER

Council resolved to endorse the 2015 Corporate Risk Register (2015/000253).

The Vice President (Corporate Services) presented the draft 2015 Corporate Risk Register to Council and provided an overview of the annual review process. Members noted that no changes were proposed to any of the nine corporate risks as a result of the annual review. Council noted the new or amended controls or mitigating actions proposed as a result of this year’s review.

INTERNATIONALISATION STRATEGY 2014-2017

The Pro Vice Chancellor (International) made a presentation to members on the Internationalisation Strategy 2014-2017. It was noted that the Strategy was consistent with the Strategic Plan 2013-2017 and was closely linked with the University’s other key supporting plans. Council noted that an overarching theme embedded within each element of the Internationalisation Strategy was the consolidation of the University’s reputation for deep engagement with the Asia-Pacific region.

The Pro Vice Chancellor (International) discussed megatrends affecting international education, and trends in international student mobility.

REVIEWS OF OFFICE OF MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS, SCHOOL OF MEDICAL SCIENCE AND DEPARTMENT OF MARKETING

In accordance with the University Reviews Policy, independent reviews were undertaken of the current activities and future plans of the Office of Marketing and Communication, the School of Medical Science, and the Department of Marketing.

Council endorsed the review reports and implementation plans.

HEAD OF SCHOOL APPOINTMENT
Council **resolved to offer** Professor Anna Stewart an appointment as the Head of School, Criminology and Criminal Justice for a two year period from 8 April 2015 up to 7 April 2017.

**PRESENTATION: CORRUPTION, MONEY LAUNDERING AND SHELL COMPANIES**

Professor Jason Sharman, Deputy Director, Centre for Governance and Public Policy gave a presentation to Council about his current research on corruption, money laundering, and shell companies.

**STUDENT GRIEVANCE, REVIEW AND APPEAL POLICIES**

Council **resolved to approve** the following, with immediate effect:
- Rescission of the Student Grievances and Appeals Policy (2013/0014858)
- Student Review and Appeals Policy (2015/6007002)
- Student Review and Appeals Procedures (2015/6007003)
- University Appeals Committee Constitution (2015/6008009)
- Student Grievances Policy (2015/6007004).

**AMENDMENTS TO ACADEMIC INTEGRITY POLICIES**

Council **resolved to approve** the following amended documents, with immediate effect:
- Institutional Framework for Promoting Academic Integrity among Students (2014/0005204)

**AMENDED DOCTORATES AND HIGHER DOCTORATES BY PUBLICATION POLICY**

Council **resolved to approve** the following with immediate effect:
- Rescission of the Doctorates and Higher Doctorates by Publication policy;
- Higher Doctorates by Publication Policy (2015/6008001);
- That Academic Committee be the approving authority of the Higher Doctorates by Publication Policy.

**AMENDED SUSTAINABILITY POLICY**

Council **resolved to approve** an amended Sustainability policy (2015/0000251) with immediate effect.
AMENDED APPROVING AUTHORITIES FOR UNIVERSITY POLICIES

Council resolved to approve, with immediate effect, the amended Approving Authorities for University Policies document (2015/0000259).

AMENDED AUTHORITY TO SIGN CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS: SCHEDULE OF DELEGATIONS

Council resolved to approve, with immediate effect, an amended Authority to Sign Contracts and Agreements Schedule of Delegations (2015/0000258) to clarify delegation arrangements for the Director or Deputy Director, Office for Research [amended clause B.3.9]; to delegate authority to the Associate Publisher, Griffith REVIEW to sign standard Co-editor’s agreements [new clause D.2.2]; to delegate authority to the Director, Office of Human Resource Management to sign agreements for staffing-related consultancies from third parties up to $20,000 [new clause E.7.6]; to update delegation arrangements within the Griffith Health Group for placements of student health professionals [amended clause H.3]; to update the delegation to sign standard non-disclosure agreements in the Health Group [amended clause H.4]; to amend the delegation to the Pro Vice Chancellor (International) to sign Direct Study Abroad Agreements by substituting the word ‘partner’ for the word ‘tertiary’ [amended clause J.1.4]; and to delegate authority to the Chief Technology Officer to sign standard service contracts for IT services up to $100,000 and to sign third party software licences and annual maintenance agreements up to $50,000 [new clauses K.2.1 and K.2.2].

APPOINTMENTS TO ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Council resolved to re-appoint Aunty Anne Leisha, Uncle Thomas Sebasio and Aunty McRose Elu to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee for a further term of office from 8 April 2015 up to 31 December 2016.

ANNUAL REPORT ON BIENNIAL REVIEWS OF UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

Council noted the report on biennial reviews of University Committees for the period 2014/2015.

AMENDED HONORARY DEGREE COMMITTEE CONSTITUTION

Council resolved to approve an amended Honorary Degree Committee constitution (2015/0000255) with immediate effect.

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