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UNIVERSITY COUNCIL MEETING
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VICE CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

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


CODE OF CONDUCT

Council noted that as a consequence of amendments to the Queensland Public Sector Ethics Act 1994 implemented by the Integrity Reform (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act 2010 (the Amending Act) it was necessary to re-write the Code of Conduct. Council noted the new Code conforms with the requirements of the Amending Act, which includes four broad Ethics Principles and 19 related Ethics Values.

Council resolved to approve, with immediate effect:

a. the new Code of Conduct (2012/0009514)
b. rescission of the previous Code of Conduct (2006/0040257)

The new Code of Conduct can be accessed via the following link:

http://www62.gu.edu.au/policylibrary.nsf/xmainsearch/dfa2347a8bf28c184a256be6006321b7?opendocument

INFECTION CONTROL PROCEDURES

Council noted that the Infection Control policy was extensively revised following review and was re-written as Procedures. The new Procedures include provisions in relation to programs and placements which have application across all academic Groups.

Council resolved to approve, with immediate effect:

a. the new Infection Control Procedures (2012/0007782)
b. rescission of the Infection Control Policy (2006/0003814)

The new Infection Control Procedures can be accessed via the following link:

http://www62.gu.edu.au/policylibrary.nsf/xmainsearch/d92f2d7caacb401e4a25770d001dc792?opendocument

In May 2003, Council adopted a framework for regular, five-yearly, systematic, independent reviews across the University. Council noted that during 2011 the Griffith Law School, the Department of Employment Relations and Human Resources, the School of Public Health and the Office for Research had been reviewed under the University’s policy.

Council endorsed the review reports and implementation plans.

RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

Council resolved to approve, with immediate effect, a revised Risk Management policy (2012/0009519).

REVISED EQUITY COMMITTEE CONSTITUTION

Council resolved to approve, with immediate effect, a revised Equity Committee Constitution (2012/0009515) to update the membership provisions to include Equity Champions (one from each academic group and each administrative division) and to reflect that responsibility for Equity and Diversity is shared between the Deputy Vice Chancellor and Provost (staff equity) and the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic) (student equity).

SCHOOL OF PHYSIOTHERAPY AND EXERCISE SCIENCE NAME CHANGE

Council resolved to approve a change of name of the School of Physiotherapy and Exercise Science to the School of Rehabilitation Sciences with effect from 1 July 2012.

SENIOR APPOINTMENT

Council resolved to offer Mr Colin McAndrew a further appointment as Pro Vice Chancellor (Administration) for the period 1 January 2013 to 31 December 2017.

APPOINTMENT OF DEAN, LEARNING AND TEACHING (SCIENCE, ENVIRONMENT, ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY)

Council resolved to offer Associate Professor Wendy Loughlin a further appointment as Dean, Learning and Teaching (Science, Environment, Engineering and Technology) for the period 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012.

AMENDED ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO COUNCIL POLICY AND AMENDED POLICY ON ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

Council resolved to approve, with immediate effect, amendments to the ‘Electon of Members to Council’ policy (2012/0009512) and the ‘Policy on Election of Members to University Committees’ (2012/0009513).

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