



**Digest of Senate Meeting 5/2014
held on 20 November
at the MacKillop Campus, North Sydney**

Chancellor's Report

The Chancellor paid tribute to Dr Dan White who resigned from Senate effective 31 December 2014. Dr White had been on Senate for three and half years.

Vice-Chancellor's Report

Senate received and noted the Vice-Chancellor's report. His presentation covered the following:

- Update on Commonwealth Higher Education Policy Directions;
- Research Intensification; and
- Update on Strathfield.

Approvals

Senate approved the following:

- the name *'The Uncle Duncan Johnson Sports Court'* for the outdoor multi sports court at the McAuley at Banyo Campus, providing approval is obtained to use the term "Uncle" in the name;
- 1204 Mair Street be named *'Loreto House'* at the Aquinas Campus in Ballarat;
- Amendments to Statute 2.2 – The Standing and Finance Committee;
- Amendments to Statute 2.3 – The Audit and Risk Committee, both to take effect from 1 January 2015;
- Consequential amendments to the Terms of Reference for both Committees; and
- The term of membership to be two years from 1 January 2015 for both Committees;
- The revised process for awarding the Honorary Degree of Doctor of the University;
- the 2015 Budget, with the proviso that the Vice-Chancellor can vary any allocation contained with the Budget;
- the ACU Infrastructure Plan 2015-2024;
- The ACU Audit Plan for 2014; and
- The University Risk Register.

Reports

Senate received and noted the following reports:

- Standing and Finance Committee Report of 7 October 2014;
- Audit and Risk Committee Report of 4 November 2014;
- Academic Board Report of 8 October 2014;
- Ceremonial and Protocols Committee Meeting of 20 October 2014;

- The 2013 Nursing Research Institute Annual Report;
- The New South Wales Chapter Report for 27 October 2014;
- The Queensland Chapter Report for 21 October 2014; and
- The Victorian Chapter Report for 11 November 2014.

Next meeting

The next meeting of Senate will be on 19 February 2015 at 10.00 am at the MacKillop Campus in North Sydney.

Dr Stephen Weller
Company Secretary
27 November 2014