

**AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY  
DIGEST OF SENATE MEETING  
HELD ON 12 JUNE 2008  
IN THE COUNCIL ROOM, JAMES CARROLL BUILDING  
MACKILLOP CAMPUS, 40 EDWARD STREET, NORTH SYDNEY**

**Welcome**

The Chancellor congratulated Mr Stephen Elder, Victorian Chapter member, and Professor Judith Chapman AM, academic staff member, on their recent election to Senate. The Chancellor also congratulated the following on their re-election to Senate:

Ms Josephine Frawley (general staff)  
Professor Peta Goldberg rsm (academic staff)  
Associate Professor Marea Nicholson (academic staff)  
Mr David O'Connor AM (Members' Senator)  
Ms Susan Pascoe AM (Members' Senator)  
Br Anthony Robinson fms (NSW Chapter Senator)

**Retirement of Mr Paul Hoy from Senate**

Senate paid tribute to the extensive contributions of Mr Paul Hoy during his term of office, commencing in January 1991. It was noted that Mr Hoy's role in drafting the Memorandum and Articles of Association and other legal documentation necessary to establish the University had been particularly significant.

**Strategic Directions and Priorities**

The Vice-Chancellor provided Senate with an update of his Strategic Priorities and with an Implementation Plan for 2008 strategic priorities.

**Vice-Chancellor' Report**

Senate received a report from the Vice-Chancellor, a précis of which has been distributed separately.

**National School of Exercise Science**

Following a recommendation from the report of the Review of the Schools of Exercise Science, Senate approved, in principle and subject to the University's change management process, the establishment of a national School of Exercise Science.

**Collaboration in Theological Education with St Paul's Theological College**

Senate received advice that a recent meeting of the Bishops of Queensland accepted the recommendations of the taskforce established to explore ways in which St Paul's Theological College and Australian Catholic University might collaboratively meet the theological and ministerial educational needs of the five dioceses of Queensland. Senate endorsed the following proposal:

- (a) that St Paul's Theological College integrate with the Queensland component of the national School of Theology at Australian Catholic University to constitute a single Catholic higher education facility, located within the organisational structure of Australian Catholic University;
- (b) that the new entity be entitled St Paul's Theological College; and
- (c) that the effective date of implementation of the integration be 1 January 2009.

### **Membership of Senate Committees**

Senate appointed members to its Committees for a period of two years. Details of Senate committees are available on *myACU* at <http://my.acu.edu.au/39703>.

### **Australian Universities Quality Agency (AUQA) Audit**

Senate received a briefing from the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Quality and Engagement), Professor John O'Gorman, on the forthcoming AUQA Audit

### **Amendment to Statute 10 - Student Conduct and Discipline**

On the recommendation of Academic Board, Senate approved amendments to Parts 1 and 4 of Statute 10 - Student Conduct and Discipline. The amended Statute is available on *myACU* at <http://my.acu.edu.au/52407>.

### **Renewal of term of Adjunct Professor**

On the recommendation of the Ceremonial and Protocols Committee, Senate renewed the term of Professor John Mainstone OAM as Adjunct Professor for a period of three years. Senate noted that Professor Mainstone had made a significant contribution to the life of the McAuley at Banyo campus of the University.

### **Committee and Chapter Reports**

Senate received reports of the following:

1. Annual General Meeting of Australian Catholic University Limited held on 23 May 2008.
2. Standing and Finance Committee meeting held on 12 May 2008.
3. Academic Board meeting held on 14 May 2008.
4. Goals Committee meeting held on 10 April 2008.
5. Victorian Chapter meeting held on 4 March 2008.



John Cameron  
Executive Director, University Services

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