Chancellor’s Report
Mr Exell was Chair for the meeting due to the Chancellor’s absence. He commended the supplementary annual reports which indicated the breadth of activity across the University.

Vice-Chancellor’s Report
The Vice-Chancellor’s report covered the following matters:
- Artwork for the University Coat of Arms;
- Collaborative Research Networks Program grant for $7.9 million on Building Collaborative Research with Specific Focus on Cardiovascular Health. This grant is in partnership with the University of Melbourne, St Vincent’s Health and the O’Brien Institute. The award is a significant accolade for ACU and its partners and is a reflection of the high quality research in which ACU is engaged;
- The University will host the International Federation of Catholic Universities, General Assembly in 2015 in Melbourne;
- Appointment of Mr David Craig as acting Pro Vice-Chancellor, Canberra Project. Mr Craig will report to the Vice-Chancellor.
- Upcoming address to the National Press Club on 3 October on Recent issues in Higher Education. A new publication regarding education access and quality will be produced to coincide with the address.

Senate approvals
Senate approved the following:
- Proposal to name a lecture theatre in the Daniel Mannix Building after Mother Philippa Brazill;
- In accordance with Statute 2.6 a new faculty in the discipline of law named the “Faculty of Law” be established;
- Re-appointment of the following members to Senate Committees to 30 June 2014
  Audit and Risk Committee
  Mr John Carroll (Chair) (NSW)
  Mr Stephen Elder (VIC)
  Ms Moira Najdecki (ACT)
  Mr David O’Connor AM (NSW).
  Standing and Finance Committee
  Ms Moira Najdecki (ACT)
  Mr David O’Connor AM (NSW)
  Ms Margaret Vider (QLD)
  Mr Stephen Elder (VIC)
  Professor James McLaren (academic staff member).
  Honorary Awards Committee
  Chancellor (ex-officio) (Chair)
  Vice-Chancellor (ex-officio)
  Mr David O’Connor AM (NSW)
  Ms Bernadette Steele (VIC)
  Professor Margot Hillel AM (academic staff member).
- Awarded the title of Adjunct Professor for a period of three years to: Mr Francis Sullivan; and Dr Michael Jelinek.
• Awarded the title of Honorary Professor for a period of three years to: Emeritus Professor Sharman Pretty; Professor Anthony Weston; Dr Diana Boswell MAPS; Professor Claude Romano; Professor Brian Johnstone CSSR; and Professor Emeritus Miklos Veto.

• Renewed the title of Honorary Professor for a period of three years to: Professor Barbara Bowers and Professor Edward Duyker OAM.

• Amendments to the Clause 8.1.1 and 8.12 - Election of Student Senator;
• Amendments to Statute 9 – Student Associations, Election of Student Member of Senate and Other Student Organisations; and
• Amendments to Constitution, Student Association of ACU.

Course Proposals
Senate approved the following course proposal:
• Postgraduate Diploma in Professional Psychology for implementation at the Brisbane campus from Semester 1, 2013.

Reports
Senate received and noted the following reports:
• Presentation by Professor Glyn Davis, Chair of Universities Australia on ‘Strategic Directions in Higher Education’
• ACU Risk Management;
• Standing & Finance Committee meeting of 7 August;
• Academic Board meeting of 15 August;
• Ceremonial and Protocols Committee meeting of 28 August;
• Identity and Mission Committee meeting of 28 August;
• Queensland Chapter Reports of 29 May and 21 August;
• 2011 St Vincent’s Centre for Nursing Research Annual Report;
• 2011 Cardiovascular Research Centre Annual Report;
• 2011 National Centre for Clinical Outcomes Research Centre Annual Report;
• 2011 Faculty of Business Annual Report; and
• 2011 Faculty of Education Annual Report.

Next Meeting
The next meeting of Senate will be on 22 November 2012 at North Sydney.

John Cameron
Chief Operating Officer
14 September 2012