

QUEENSLAND UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY

COUNCIL

REPORT – 30 June 2020

Council met on 30 June 2020, and noted or considered the following items.

Vice-Chancellor Report to Council – June 2020

Council considered the Vice-Chancellor and President's Report which is available at the following address: <https://qutvirtual4.qut.edu.au/group/staff/governance/organisational-structure/chancellery/vc/reports-to-council> (QUT staff access only).

Positioning the University for a different world

Council considered a presentation about the University's actions in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Matters highlighted included return to campus plans; the new three division structure; State Government financial assistance; a 'secure corridor' for the return of international students; negotiations for variations to staff enterprise agreements; and the recently announced *Job-ready Graduates: Higher Education Reform Package*. Savings measures included the recruitment 'chill'; the capital program pause; and savings in senior staff salaries. Targeting of new revenue streams, such as short courses and development of a QUT College domestic student cohort, was also noted.

QUT College

Council noted the Vice-Chancellor's approval of a change of name for the QUT International College, to QUT College; and the change of reporting line for the QUT College to the Education portfolio, led by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Vice-President (Education).

QUT Indigenous Strategy Overview

Council discussed the University's Indigenous strategy and considered a paper and presentation from the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Strategy). Council noted Indigenous student and staff data, including an increase in the Indigenous workforce, engagement and partnerships with Indigenous community organisations, and a forthcoming media advertisement featuring an Indigenous student.

Financial Management Report (April 2020)

Council noted the Financial Management Report, including possible strategies to address the identified risks under the COVID-19 scenarios.

Development of QUT Key Performance Indicator (KPI) Dashboard

Council noted the progress to date on development of the QUT KPI Dashboard.

Corporate Performance Report March 2020

Council noted the Corporate Performance Report on the University's Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) and approved revision/refinement of the definitions, actual and target data for KPI 2 Quality of Student Satisfaction and Success, and KPI 3 Real World Experience, including, for KPI 2, consideration of the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) Census year and students' first address/home address for low-socio-economic status (SES) and regional/remote equity group participation. Council also noted impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on achievement of several KPIs.

Half yearly report – QUT Enterprise Holdings Pty Ltd

Council noted the QUT Enterprise Holdings Group report and the cessation of Creative Enterprise Australia operations.

Revised MOPP D/3.1, Intellectual property

Council approved, for immediate implementation, the revised MOPP D/3.1 Intellectual Property.

Revision of Council policies to address human rights and freedom of expression

Council approved proposed revisions to student conduct policies, MOPP E/2.1, QUT Student Code of Conduct, and E/8.1, Management of student misconduct, and revisions to MOPP A/1.1.8, QUT Governance Framework, and noted QUT's commitment to academic freedom, freedom of expression and other human rights.

Update on governance reform and expiry of current Council term

Council noted that advice had been received from the Minister for Education, the Hon Grace MP, on 29 June 2020, extending the terms of all appointed, elected and additional members to 30 September 2021. This would allow the University to proceed with further consultation on the governance reform model over coming months.

Council meeting dates 2021 and 2022

Council noted the 2021 and 2022 Council meeting dates, and the February 2021 and 2022 Risk and Audit Committee meeting dates.

Conferral of Professor Emeritus Title – Professor Helen Edwards OAM

Council approved the award of the title of Professor Emeritus to Professor Helen Edwards OAM, effective from her retirement from QUT.

Award of Doctor of the University

Council approved the award of Doctor of the University on Ms Adele Rice AM, Emeritus Professor Carol Dickenson AM, and Mr David Moffatt, for distinguished service to the community or QUT.

Items for information

- Chancellor's Report to Council
- Council action list
- Post Meeting Action Sheet for Council's 16 April 2020 meeting
- Post Meeting Action Sheet for Council's 5 June 2020 meeting
- Council Annual Work Plan and Items Pending 2020
- Latest disclosed interests for Council
- Procedures for managing student sexual misconduct

Reports from Committees

Council noted reports from Council sub-committees as follows.

Alumni Board – 16 June 2020

Chancellor's Committee – 22 May 2020

Finance and Planning Committee – 28 May 2020

Risk and Audit Committee – 3 June 2020

University Academic Board – 25 May 2020