



## 27 FEBRUARY 2025 MEETING

Council met on 27 February 2025 and considered, noted, or approved the following items.

### **QUT Guild: Questions on Notice from the 5 December 2024 Meeting of QUT Council**

Council resolved to note the answers to the questions on notice posed to the QUT Guild in relation to the *QUT Guild 2024 Financial Report*, which was presented to Council on 5 December 2024; and to ask the QUT Guild to provide an organisational chart of the QUT Guild and QUT Guild Board. Council further noted that the QUT Guild would be provided with further information about the free night transfer services for students, if required.

### **Chancellor's report to Council – February 2025**

Council noted the 'Chancellor's report to Council – February 2025'.

### **Vice-Chancellor's report to Council – February 2025**

Council considered the 'Vice-Chancellor's report to Council – February 2025', which is available at the following address: [Reports to Council - QUT Digital Workplace](#) (QUT staff access only).

### **Vice-Chancellor's report to Council – confidential addendum**

Council noted the 'Vice-Chancellor's report to Council – confidential addendum'.

### **QUT Corporate Performance Report December 2024**

Council resolved to note the Corporate Performance Report December 2024 on the University's Key Performance Indicators (KPIs).

### **Admissions Update - Intake 1, 2025**

Council resolved to note the progress of admissions for Intake 1, 2025 across key markets and to provide a breakdown of international students' enrolments by country at a future meeting.

### **QUT's TEQSA and CRICOS renewal of registrations**

Council resolved to note the requirements for the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA) re-registration as a requirement of the *Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency Act 2011* and the requirements for the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS) re-registration as a requirement of the *Education Services for Overseas Students Act 2000*.

### **Political climate for universities**

Council resolved to note the SECNewgate presentation on the political climate for universities and to circulate to Council members the SECNewgate "Mood of the Nation" research report.

### **2024 Annual Financial Report**

Council resolved to note the Summary of Financial Performance to be included in the 2024 Annual Report; to note the Financial Analysis by Major Category of the 2024 Financial Results; to note the "Management Representation Letter" provided in support of the 2024 Annual Financial Report, which was signed and dated as near as practical to, but not after, certification of the financial statements; to note the Audit Completion Report issued by the external auditors, Queensland Audit Office; to approve QUT's 2024 Annual Financial Report; to authorise the signing of the "Management Certificate"; to note the 2024 Consolidated Statements of the QUT Enterprise Holdings Trust; and to note the new State Government reporting requirements around annual consultancies expenditure.

### **Annual Report – QUT Enterprise Holdings Pty Ltd Group**

Council resolved to note the QUT Enterprise Holdings Pty Ltd Group report.

### **Report on the activities of the Brisbane Business School Pty Ltd**

Council resolved to note the annual report on activities of the Brisbane Business School Pty Ltd, for the year ended 31 December 2024.

### **Academic freedom and freedom of speech – 2024 annual update**

Council resolved to note the 2024 annual reporting of actions, institutional responses, and developments associated with academic freedom and freedom of speech at QUT.

### **Council's engagement with the broader University community**

Council resolved to endorse the proposed engagement schedule with the broader University community in 2025 as set out in the agenda; to endorse the proposed strategic discussions for Council in 2025 (subject to presenters' availability), aiming to assist Council to develop a deeper understanding of the business of the University; and to extend the opportunity to external members of Risk and Audit Committee and Finance and Planning Committee, enabling them to participate in future Council engagement activities.

### **Public Interest Disclosure Management Policy and Procedure**

Council resolved to approve the revised Public Interest Disclosure Management Policy and Procedure.

### **Council membership – resignation from Council**

Council resolved to note the vacancy on QUT Council following the resignation of an additional member, Mr Peter Howes and to note the provisions set out in the *Queensland University of Technology Act 1998* and *Council Procedure 1 – Committee Operations* for filling a casual vacancy.

### **Proposed amendments to the QUT Council Charter and Code**

Council resolved to approve the proposed changes and new title of the *QUT Council Charter and Code*, to be made available to Council members and published on the Digital Workplace.

### **Correspondence to Council relating to the National Symposium Unifying Anti-Racist Research and Action**

Council resolved to note the correspondence relating to the National Symposium; to respond to the Institute of Public Affairs and provide them with the terms of reference for the Honourable John Middleton AM KC independent review; and to provide the letter of response from QUT to the Institute of Public Affairs to Council for noting at its next meeting.

### **Items for information**

- Draft 2024 QUT Annual Report
- Reference Document – Item 10.1.1 – Draft 2024 QUT Annual Report
- Annual report on the use of the QUT Seal during 2024
- Executive action: Changes to the Risk and Audit Committee charter
- Executive action: Changes to the Workplace Change Management Policy
- Post meeting action sheet – 5 December 2024
- Council annual work plan and items pending.

### **QUT response to TEQSA's request for information regarding the National Symposium Unifying Anti-Racist Research and Action**

Council resolved to note the response provided to TEQSA.