

QUEENSLAND UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY

COUNCIL

REPORT – 5 December 2018

Council met on 5 December 2018, and considered the following items.

Vice-Chancellor's Report to Council

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

University Operating Budget (2019-2021) and Asset Management Plan (2019-2023)

Council approved the Operating Budget and Asset Management Plan. Matters noted in discussion included: the rolling three year target of 5% for QUT's underlying operating margin; savings resulting from business transformation activities; budgeting for investments in IT projects; and alignment with strategy. Council noted a review of the budget model and enhancements to academic planning to occur in 2019.

Financial Management Report (September year to date actuals and full year forecast)

Council noted the Financial Management Report as at 30 September 2018.

2018 Staff Survey – results and implementation plan

Council received a presentation on the 2018 Staff Survey results. Matters noted in discussion included: positive results in areas such as health and safety, facilities and teamwork; the scores relating to staff passion, engagement, workload, and job satisfaction; and priorities and themes for actions in response to the survey. The sessional staff survey results were also noted. Council was advised that the next survey would be undertaken in 2020.

2018 Consolidated Courses Performance Reports and 2018 Higher Degree Research Course Performance Reports

Council considered the 2018 course performance reports, noting renovation of courses; pilots to embed curriculum and learning design support in faculties; the accreditation of the PhD program in 2018; and priorities for management of research degree students in terms of timely completion, quality and contemporary supervision practices. There was discussion about attrition rates and the use of targeted interventions utilising data intelligence.

QUT Corporate Performance Report September 2018

Council noted the Corporate Performance Report. Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) considered included KPI 10 (graduate and professional education income); 14 (research income); 15 (commercial income); 20 (philanthropy income) and KPI 5 (student attrition). It was noted that KPIs would be reviewed in 2019 in the context of the development of Blueprint 6.

Final Review Report: 2018 Corporate Review of the Faculty of Health "Real Health Matters"

Council endorsed the Final Review Report of the 2018 Corporate Review of the Faculty of Health.

Approval of Tier 3 Faculty Research Centre – the QUT Centre for Behavioural Economics, Society and Technology

Council approved the establishment of a Tier 3 Faculty Research Centre, the QUT Centre of Behavioural Economics, Society and Technology, in the QUT Business School.

2018 Review of Indigenous Employment Strategy

Council considered and noted the review approach, proposed amendments, and considerations for 2019 relating to QUT's Indigenous Employment Strategy.

Approval of new policy MOPP A/1.2 Delegations, and 2018 Annual Review of MOPP Appendix 3 Schedule of Authorities and Delegations

Council approved the new policy, MOPP A/1.2 Delegations, approved the rescission of the Preamble to MOPP Appendix 3 Schedule of Authorities and Delegations, and noted the annual review of the Schedule.

Council nominations to University committees for 2019-2020 term

Council approved the nominations of members to serve on University committees for the term from 1 January 2019 to 20 November 2020.

Update on implementation of recommendations of Council External Review 2017-2018

Council noted a progress report on the implementation plan addressing recommendations of the final review report of the external review of Council 2017-2018.

University Legislation Amendment Act 2017 – summary of actions

Council noted the completed actions arising from the amendments to the *Queensland University of Technology Act 1998*, made by the *University Legislation Amendment Act 2017*.

2018 Student elections to Council – outcomes

Council noted the election of Ms Saskia Mathers and Ms Isobella Powell to Council for a two year term from 21 November 2018 to 20 November 2020.

Items for information

- Post Meeting Action Sheet for Council's 10 October 2018 meeting
- Chancellor's Report to Council
- Latest disclosed interests for Council
- Council Annual Work Plan and Items Pending 2018
- Update of Council member details
- Resignation from Council of Dr Richard Ashby AM

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Council noted reports from Council Committees as follows.

Alumni Board – 19 November 2018

Audit and Risk Management Committee – 14 November 2018

Chancellor's Committee – 21 November 2018

Planning and Resources Committee – 31 October and 21 November 2018

University Academic Board – 26 October and 16 November 2018

Further information can be obtained from Governance and Legal Services.