



UOW COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

The following matters, which may be of interest to the staff and students of the University, were considered by the University Council at its meeting of 3 December 2021.

The Vice-Chancellor led a Strategic Update presentation and highlighted the following matters:

- proposed Senior Executive portfolio realignment;
- the challenges and opportunities faced by the University during 2021;
- consideration of the Strategic Plan goals and alignment to the 2030 and Beyond report, including identifying the upcoming two years and the importance of moving in the right direction over this period;
- senior executive priorities to drive KPI achievement, with a focus on narrowing work to a key number of activities for KPI-driven performance; and
- the whole-of-institution focus for the next two years.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education), Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Global Strategy), and Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Health and Sustainable Futures) also provided strategic update presentations relating to their portfolios.

Deputy Chancellor Election

Council re-elected Mr Rob Ryan to the position of Deputy Chancellor for another term of office, effective immediately.

UOW Global Enterprises 2021 Year in Review

Council received a presentation by Mr Peter Robson, Chair of UOW Global Enterprises (UOWGE) Board on UOWGE's activities, challenges and opportunities during 2021.

UN Climate Change Project

Council received a presentation by University students Mr Ben Hamill and Ms Grace Mahon on the student-led UOW Youth Climate Change Project.

2020-2025 Strategic Plan Transformative Priority Update: Student Access and Participation/Social Inclusion/Global and Social Responsibility

The Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor Professor Joe Chicharo presented the Transformative Priority update on Collaboration - Growth Onshore, Growth Offshore.

Deep Dive Comprehensive KPI Reports: Student Access and Participation/Social Inclusion/Global and Social Responsibility

The Deep Dive Comprehensive Key Performance Indicator (KPI) reports are scheduled for each meeting of Council to provide a more detailed view of strategic performance as measured by the Strategic Plan 2020-2025 KPIs. The Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor Professor Joe Chicharo spoke to the fifth in this new suite of reports, related to *Student Access and Participation (KPI 1)*, *Social Inclusion (KPI 7)* and *Global and Social Responsibility (KPI 8)*.

Academic Senate

Council received the unratified Academic Senate minutes from its 17 November 2021 meeting. More information about Academic Senate is found here: <https://www.uow.edu.au/about/governance/governance-structure/academic-senate/>

Council Committee Business

- Council approved the establishment of the **People and Culture Committee** and the **Finance and Infrastructure Committee**, to replace the existing People and Culture, Finance and Infrastructure

Committee.

- The membership of some of Council's committees was updated to accommodate expiring terms and vacancies.
- Council received the unratified minutes of the 10 November 2021 meeting of the People and Culture, Finance and Infrastructure Committee; and the 16 November 2021 meeting of the Risk, Audit and Compliance Committee.

For more information about Council Committees: <https://www.uow.edu.au/about/governance/governance-structure/university-council/>

Student Services and Amenities Fee: 2022 Student Consultation Process and Funding Allocation

Council noted the anticipated 2022 income and approved the 2022 student consultation process for 2023 SSAF funding.

Amendments to Coursework Rules

Council approved amendments to the Coursework Rules. Please refer to the Policy Directory for updated Rules: <https://documents.uow.edu.au/about/policy/alphalisting/index.html>

Reports to Council

Council received the following reports and updates:

- Economic Update: Spotlight on Exchange Rates
- Financial Benchmarking Year Ended 31 December 2020
- UOW Finance Report: Forecast and Results as at 31 August 2021
- Gender Equality Update
- 2022 COVID Safe Campus Plan
- Workplace Health and Safety Report
- 2020-2025 Strategic Plan: Key Performance Indicators Report
- UOW Pulse Ltd End of Year Report
- Student Advisory Council Annual Report
- St George Illawarra Dragons Proposed High Performance and Community Centre Update
- Graduate Medicine Review – Business Assurance Activity Report
- Use of the UOW Common Seal

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The next meeting of Council is scheduled for Friday, 18 February 2022.