



COUNCIL NEWS

University of Adelaide Council meeting held on Monday 6 December 2021

Report from the Chancellor

The Chancellor reported on recent events attended, and thanked Prof Williams and Ms Christine Locher for their significant contributions upon their retirement from Council.

Report from the Vice-Chancellor and President

The Vice-Chancellor and President reported on a range of matters, including:

- the proposed return of international students;
- the new International Flavour Research Centre and the new Centre for Augmented Reasoning
- recent appointments, and recipients of awards and grants;
- enrolment applications;
- the launch of the Student Mental Health and Wellbeing Strategy (2021-2024);
- the welcome for the new SA Governor, the 10th anniversary of the SA Law Reform Institute, Ingenuity2021 expo and other events;
- the Organizational Sustainability Program; and

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• the review of Academic Board. Council approved an update to the University's strategic plan (Future Making (Strategic Plan update 2022-2023)).

Reports from Council Standing Committees

Council received reports from the following committees

- Academic Board;
- Finance;
- People and Culture; and
- Risk.

Key items considered by the Academic Board included approval of the Student Retention and Success Plan 2022-2024, amendments to the Admissions to Research Programs Policy and the Academic Program Rules for various programs, review of the Master of International Trade and Development, and a report on the ProctorU Pilot Exams.

The Finance Committee's key item was the University's 2022 budget. Other items considered included the Martindale Holdings and National Wine Centre 2022 business plan and budget, , technology investment plan, network modernisation project, establishment of a resilience fund, and the Investment Advisory Committee's terms of reference. The People and Culture Committee received updates on key items including the Organisational Sustainability Program, Human Resources division, Transforming Culture Program, Integrity Unit, Staff Recruitment, Induction and Workforce Planning, and Pay Equity.

The Risk Committee's key items included the Transforming Culture update, the internal audit report on fee management, the legal engagement policy, monitoring and reporting on enterprise risk management, and the work health and safety report.

Other items

Council:

- endorsed management's recommendation to develop a management policy that would allow the University, at a time when the Vice-Chancellor and President considered the measure proportionate and reasonable, to mandate vaccination; and
- approved the Adelaide University Union funding agreement for 2022-2024.