



COUNCIL NEWS

University of Adelaide Council meeting held on Monday 4 December 2023

Report from the Chancellor

The Chancellor reported on recent events she attended including:

- the Roseworthy Old Collegians Association's 125th anniversary dinner;
- the Kevin Marjoribanks Memorial Lecture;
- the Children's University graduation ceremonies; and
- the Celebration of Learning and Teaching.

Report from the Vice-Chancellor and President

The Vice-Chancellor and President reported on:

- the program of work for the merger with UniSA;
- the development of the 2024-5 Strategic Plan;
- the recent Australian Financial Review Best Universities Ranking; and
- Prof Judith Brine being awarded the title of Emerita Professor.

Other reports

Council considered reports from:

- the Academic Board, including its consideration of:
 - the Student Complaint Resolution policy;
 - the Academic Integrity report for the First Half of 2023;
 - the Academic Year dates for 2025;

- the Academic Program Entry and Approval Committee report – Meeting 8/23;
- the Academic Board workplan for 2024; and
- its Self-Performance Review and Annual Report to Council;
- the Finance Committee, including:
 - the 2024 business plans and budgets for the University's controlled entities: Innovation & Commercial Partners Pty Ltd, National Wine Centre Pty Ltd and Roseworthy Campus Pty Ltd;
 - the Quarter 3 2023 financial result;
 - the 2024 annual budget and business plan;
 - the Multi-Year Financial Plan 2023/2025; and
 - the Annual Responsible Investment Disclosure;
- the People and Culture Committee, including regular reports in relation to the Integrity Unit, HR advisory & workplace relations, HR dashboard for Quarter 3 2023, culture and exit surveys;
- the Risk Committee, including:
 - contract extension for the internal audit services provider;
 - an enterprise risk update;
 - a quarterly update on the internal audit functions, and the proposed 2024 internal audit plan;
 - the controlled entities annual risk report;
 - the updated Risk Management Policy; and

- the work health and safety report; due diligence mid-year report 2023.

Other items

Council received and discussed:

- presentations from the Executive Dean of the Faculty of Sciences, Engineering and Technology and the Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Vice-President (External Engagement); and
- an update on celebrating the University's 150th Anniversary in 2024.

Council considered and approved:

- the re-appointment of members of Council's standing committees for further two-year terms:
 - Mr Andy Keough CSC as Chair of the People and Culture Committee;
 - Mr John Charlton and Mr Lachlan Coleman as members of the Finance Committee; and
 - Mr Mike Barber as a member of the Risk Committee;
- an update to the authorisations under the University's by-laws;
- the Benjamin Poulton Foundation's rules; and
- a three-year extension to the term of the Chair of the University of Adelaide Childcare Services Inc.

Council also noted:

- the report from the Returning Officer on the election of student members to Council;
- an update on the Adelaide University Bill; and
- the Australian Universities Accord Interim Report.