UTR2.253 – THE BARKER TONG SCHOLARSHIP IN PHYSICS

Background –

A. The Barker Tong Scholarship has been established through a generous gift by Mrs Peggy Barker, made in memory of her late husband Dr Tony Barker and their joint interest in physics with a preference for theoretical physics.

B. Mrs Barker and her late husband studied at the University of Adelaide. The late Dr Tony Barker was a well-rounded student at University and involved in a variety of extracurricular activities, outside of his deep passion for physics, such as golf, squash and rugby.Mrs Peggy Barker hopes that the recipient of this scholarship will be an excellent physics student as well as be involved in other University activities such as sporting or artistic endeavours.

C. The University accepted the donation upon the trusts specified by the donor and the donation therefore became the capital subject to those trusts (‘capital sum’).

Name of the fund

1. The capital sum, all income arising from the capital sum and any accumulations and additions thereto together form a fund called ‘The Barker Tong Scholarship in Physics Fund’ (‘fund’).

Investment of the fund

2. The fund is to be amalgamated for the purposes of investment, and held in a common fund, and the net income earned by the common fund shall be credited, rateably, to the funds so amalgamated and thereafter distributed according to the trusts specified by the donor.

Obligations

3. In administering the fund, the University must adhere to the terms specified and is obliged:-

   (a) to invest the capital sum according to the directions of the donor; and

   (b) to establish a Scholarship in the manner described in the following Rules.

Rules

1. The Scholarship will be formally named ‘The Barker Tong Scholarship in Physics’, to form the agreement between the School of Chemistry and Physics and Mrs Peggy Barker.

2. The Scholarship will be open to Australian citizens or permanent residents who are full-time commencing postgraduate research students, studying a PhD in physics with
a preference for theoretical physics. The Scholarship is to be supplementary to a postgraduate research scholarship already awarded.

3. The Scholarship will be administered by the School of Chemistry and Physics in the University of Adelaide. This Scholarship will be offered in perpetuity commencing 2014 and the value will be $5,000 annually for each Scholarship, with one new Scholarship to be offered every three years. This is based on the expectation that the invested sum will produce $5,000 annually towards the Scholarship.

4. The successful applicant will be selected by a committee from the University of Adelaide consisting of Head of School, Chemistry and Physics, Head of Physics Discipline and a Professor in a relevant area of Physics, on the grounds of his or her academic merit. Preference will be given to a candidate involved in other areas of University life (sporting or artistic) in addition to their studies. The nomination of a candidate by the School of Chemistry and Physics’ selection committee will be subject to the approval of the Faculty of Sciences. The donor will be informed of the short list of candidates and will be invited to provide an opinion to the selection panel.

5. The holder of the Scholarship will be enrolled as a candidate in the Doctor of Philosophy in the field of Physics and will already be in receipt of a postgraduate research scholarship.

6. The duration of the scholarships will be a maximum of three years. A new scholarship recipient will be selected every three years.

7. Payment will be made annually to the Scholarship recipient and continuation of the Scholarship will be subject to satisfactory progress, as indicated by the student’s supervisor and Head of School, or equivalent.

8. The rules of the Barker Tong Scholarship in Physics may be varied from time to time by agreement between the School of Chemistry and Physics, or equivalent, and the relevant Office of the University of Adelaide, but the name and the general purpose of the Scholarship shall not be changed.

Rules approved by Mrs Peggy Barker and Professor Andrew Abell (Head of School, Chemistry and Physics) – September 2013