10 February 2010

The Board of Trustees met on Wednesday 10 February 2010, in the Boardroom, Building AD, Werrington North. A summary of matters discussed is provided below.

Confirmation of Minutes

The <u>minutes</u> of the 25 November 2009 meeting of the Board of Trustees were confirmed and can be downloaded from this page.

Vice-Chancellor's Report

The Vice-Chancellor's report to the Board of Trustees included the following items:

- University offers
- Report of travel to the United States
- Submissions for funding
- Appointment of Professor Branko Celler
- UWS awards to its industry partners
- Australia Day Honours

Executive Presentation - College of Arts

Professor Wayne McKenna, Executive Dean of the College of Arts, provided a presentation on the College's key strategies and directions.

Interim Agreement for Mission-Based Compacts Between UWS and the Federal Government

The Board noted the interim agreement signed between UWS and the Federal Government as part of the transition towards the compact system.

In late 2010 the first Compact will be negotiated between each university and the Federal Government and will include performance targets. The compact will have three parts: mission; teaching and learning and research.

In 2011, those universities that have negotiated targets with the Government will receive their share of more than \$90 million as a facilitation payment. It is designed to help universities to position themselves to meet the targets into the future.

In 2012, universities' performance against the relevant targets will be assessed by the new Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA). Universities that are judged to have met their targets will receive performance funding.

UWS Student Load Trends as at 5 February 2010

The Board noted the current data and expectations regarding 2010 student load based on known and projected enrolments compared with the target load in the 2010 budget.

Discussion centred on the Government's policy to provide greater flexibility in terms of over-enrolment and to remove any caps in 2012, and the flow-on effects of this to the University and UWSCollege.

Other Reports and Items Considered by the Board

- Audit and Risk Management Committee
- Board Standing Committee and Remuneration & Nominations Committee
- Campus Development Committee
- Indemnity for University Staff and Office Holders

- Occupational Health and Safety
- Staffing Matters
- Collective Bargaining
- 2009 Media Coverage Summary
- Education Investment Fund Institute of Humanities and Social Sciences

Date of Next Meeting

The next Board meeting will be held at 6pm on Wednesday 21 April 2010 at the University's Parramatta Campus.