

14 April 2021

The Board of Trustees met on 14 April 2021 in Boardroom 1, Building EB, Parramatta South campus. A summary of matters discussed in the open session is provided below.

The minutes of the previous Board meeting held on [24 February 2021](#) were confirmed.

Chancellor's Report

The Chancellor briefed the Board on a number of matters, including the death of Carla Zampatti AC, election of the new postgraduate student Board member, the proposed external review of the Board of Trustees, Review on the NSW Vocational Education and Training sector, the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor Advisory Committee, Universities Australia Review and the Initial Teacher Education Review.

Vice-Chancellor's Report

The Vice-Chancellor provided an update to Board members on the return to campus plan, safe corridor program for international students, student load update, all staff webinar, Foreign Arrangements legislation, National Priorities and Industry Linkage Fund (NPILF) allocations, Quality Indicator for Learning and Teaching (QILT) results and an update on the Vietnam campus.

Academic Senate

The Chair of Academic Senate briefed the Board on a number of matters, including an update on the awarding of University medals, the creation of the Age Friendly University Network Working Group, an update on equity and diversity and the establishment of the Third Party Provider Committee.

Audited Accounts

The Board of Trustees adopted the audited 2020 Financial Statements and authorised the signing thereof by the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor.

Annual Report

The Board approved the 2020 Annual Report for submission to the NSW Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education.

Western Growth

The Vice-President, Finance and Resources gave an updated report about the Western Growth program and highlighted the decision to bring forward a commitment to fully utilising renewable 'green' energy across the University to begin in July this year.

Presentation from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research, Enterprise and International)

Professor Deborah Sweeney gave a presentation to the Board on the range of activities and priorities within the Division of Research, Enterprise and International. This stimulated a broad ranging discussion with Trustees on international strategy, the University's approach to innovation and entrepreneurship and emerging priority areas in research.

Helen Fleming
University Secretary and General Counsel