

# COUNCIL MEETING No. 107

commencing at 2.30 pm on Wednesday, 2 August 2006

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**PRESENT:** Professor I Moses (Chancellor)  
Adjunct Professor M Bryce  
Mr I Davis  
Professor R Dean  
Ms A De Salis  
Ms S Durrell  
Mr M Emerson  
Mr J Hanratty  
Mr B Hoff  
Ms A Holmes  
Mr J Kalokerinos (by telephone)  
Mr A Matthews  
Associate Professor C McDonald  
Dr L Moore  
Ms J Newman  
Ms M Reilly  
Ms A Trimmer  
Ms J Coggins (Secretary)

**APOLOGIES:** Mr B Prosser  
Mr P Urban

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Professor S Bell  
Professor A Cheetham  
Mr G Foran  
Associate Professor R Foxwell  
Ms J Godfrey  
Ms C O'Meara  
Professor D Ralston  
Professor S Thomas  
Mr L Smythe  
Mr L Mayfield  
Mr G O'Loughlin (Industry Consultant)  
Ms E Whitelaw (Minter Ellison)  
Mr M Locke (Price Waterhouse Coopers)  
Ms K Stuart (Price Waterhouse Coopers)  
Mr D Pumphrey (Heidrick and Struggles International)  
Mr S Bagot (Heidrick and Struggles International)  
Mr P Hill (Minutes Secretary)

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### ***Opening and Apologies***

The apologies noted above were received.

# Chancellor's Opening Comments

## Graduations

The Chancellor congratulated all staff involved with the Graduation Ceremonies held 25-26 July 2006. The ceremonies were a great success and a credit to the University.

## Expert Reference Group - UC/CIT Collaboration

Council noted that an article had been published in the *Canberra Times* on 30 July 2006 concerning the establishment of an Expert Reference Group by the ACT Government to recommend options for collaboration between the University and the Canberra Institute of Technology (CIT). The article had mentioned the possibility of a merger between the institutions.

The Chancellor reported that she had spoken to the ACT Minister for Education and Training about the report and had been advised that the terms of reference for the Group would be announced in two weeks time. The primary focus of the review would be on collaboration and structural reform and that the feasibility of merger would also be looked at. The University would be involved in the process, but it was unclear at present if the University would be given a place on the Group. A submission would be prepared for the review.

## Federal Initiatives

The Chancellor reported that she had met with representatives from the Federal Department of Education, Science and Training. The Commonwealth Government had expressed an interest in the merger of tertiary education institutions, but only among universities. The Minister had recently reiterated that mergers would not be forced upon universities.

The Commonwealth Government, under its diversity agenda, wants universities to consider how they can specialise by identifying their strengths and making hard decisions about what they may look like in five to ten years time. One of the challenges for the University was to provide a clear vision of its future and its distinctiveness from the ANU and CIT. It was important that the next strategic plan acknowledged the University's distinct mission.

## Confirmation of Agenda

The Chancellor sought members' approval to reorder the agenda by discussing two confidential matters, Agenda Items 19 and 7, as the first items of business. The meeting was closed for the discussion of these items. The meeting was opened to the public at 4.10 pm.

## Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest

No declarations were made.

## Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Council received the minutes of Meeting No.106 held on Wednesday, 7 June 2006.

Mr Emerson questioned the accuracy of a statement appearing in Item 6.2.1 - Governance Arrangements for the Proposed new UCU Ltd. The statement in question appears on page 6, paragraph 3, and states, with respect to the out of session consideration of a revised recommendation regarding UCU Ltd, 'However, a majority of members [of the Audit and Risk Management Committee] had agreed to the changes'.

*Please note: the Secretary of the ARMC was contacted after the Council meeting for advice on this matter. He has advised that of the five members of the committee the*

*requested amendment was sent to, three were able to respond in time for it to be provided to Council and had agreed to the amendment.*

A second issue raised by Mr Emerson regarding the standing orders for Council and its committees is reported at Item 2.1 (below).

### **Resolution C107/1**

Council accepted the minutes of Meeting No. 106 as a true record of proceedings.

## **Item 2: Matters Arising from the Minutes**

### **2.1 Standing Orders for Council Advisory Committees**

Mr Emerson questioned if the advisory committees of Council were permitted to alter resolutions out of session and by utilising email correspondence.

The Chancellor advised that this issue would be dealt with as part of the development of standing orders for Council and its advisory committees.

## **Item 3: Strategic Plan 2007 - 2010**

The Vice-Chancellor commented that he would appreciate receiving comments on the draft strategic plan following the meeting. He noted that a further meeting with the staff of the University would be held in September to discuss the plan which would then be brought to the October 2006 Council meeting. It would be appreciated if the comments could be received within the next two weeks.

Council discussed the rationale behind the proposal to establish a City (Civic) presence by 2008. The Vice-Chancellor advised that the justification for having a Civic presence, as opposed to Woden or the other metropolitan centres, was that a higher proportion of people visited the city centre. The Civic site would most likely consist of a shopfront and some teaching space. It was also noted that the University needed to consider the ACT Minister for Education's request that the University investigate the possibility of establishing a presence in the Tuggeranong Valley.

A number of corrections required to the attendance list for the Strategic Planning Meeting held on 22 June 2006 were also noted.

## **Item 4: Enhancement of Strategic Focus: Internationalisation**

Council received two tabled papers. The first outlined the University's aims with respect to internationalisation and the second paper set out the key performance indicators with respect to internationalisation.

Ms Jandy Godfrey, Executive Director Development and International, provided Council with review of key objectives of the Strategic plan in relation to international activities.

The presentation covered the following topics.

<b>Focus</b>	<b>Achievements in 2005-06</b>
Review 2003/6 Strategic Plan	Compliance
Internationalisation	Relationships
Performance trends	Staffing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Student recruitment</li><li>• Transnational</li></ul>	Technology
	UCELI
	AusAID

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student mobility</li> </ul> <p>Achievements Challenges Future focus</p>	
<p><b>UC Strategic Plan 2003/6</b></p> <p>Touches on internationalisation Focus on global, national and regional needs Development of internationally oriented / respected university Research to serve regional, national, global needs International context Facilities for Australian / international students Priority for regional / international partnerships Involvement of alumni worldwide</p>	<p><b>Challenges</b></p> <p>Regional migration status Low growth nationally Global competition Volatility Increasing costs New compliance legislation</p>
<p><b>Internationalisation</b></p> <p>Recognized for our commitment to intercultural understanding and diversity within the University, the region and beyond Respected internationally for the quality and relevance of our scholarship, research and development projects Attractive to Australian and international students, teachers, researchers and partners who espouse a global mindset.</p>	<p><b>Opportunities - Why we bother</b></p> <p>Increases diversity Supports internationalisation Maximises national capital location Increases availability of skills in ACT Contributes directly to ACT economy Generates new revenue for the University of Canberra</p>
<p><b>Performance</b></p> <p>Student recruitment Transnational Student mobility</p>	<p><b>The Future</b></p> <p>Chase winning trends Add diversity Build relationships Pathways (local, international) Cohorts Agents Paradigm shifts</p>
<p><b>International Objectives</b></p> <p>The University of Canberra aims to be an internationally oriented and respected university relevant to our location within Australia's national capital:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognized for our commitment to intercultural understanding and diversity within the University, the region and beyond</li> <li>• Respected internationally for the quality and relevance of our scholarship, research and development projects</li> <li>• Attractive to Australian and international students, teachers, researchers and partners who espouse a global mindset</li> </ul> <p>We will achieve this by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fostering a welcoming and inclusive culture which values and embraces diversity and intercultural understanding</li> <li>• Providing learning experiences that encompass international and intercultural perspectives and support of a culture of diversity and inclusiveness</li> <li>• Developing collaborative, international research linkages and attracting high quality research students in areas of research strength</li> <li>• Recruiting, developing and retaining staff with international understanding, experience, outlook and capabilities</li> <li>• Providing services to facilitate the integration of international students into the academic, social and cultural life of the University</li> <li>• Contributing an international dimension to our community and promoting increased understanding of the benefits which flow to the community from the University's international activities</li> <li>• Attracting an increasing number of high quality and diverse international students into on-campus courses across the University</li> <li>• Delivering University of Canberra courses transnationally – including on-line and in-collaboration with selected partners off-shore</li> <li>• Encouraging our students to participate in academic experiences with an international and intercultural dimension</li> <li>• Identifying development project opportunities, and developing collaborative arrangements with project donors and project management contractors</li> </ul>	

## **Item 5: Vice-Chancellor's Report**

The Vice-Chancellor reported on the following matters.

### **5.1 Articulation Arrangements - Riverina TAFE**

The University had recently established articulation arrangements with the Riverina TAFE. The TAFE had a good reputation and the arrangement should result in students electing to transfer to the University.

### **5.2 National Centre for Biometric Studies**

The National Centre for Biometric Studies had been part of a successful bid for a contract with the Federal Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs. A further report on this would be provided to the October 2006 meeting.

### **5.3 Third Stream Funding**

The Federal Minister for Education, Science and Training had not expressed much enthusiasm for 'Third Stream Funding' for community engagement. A recent White Paper on education released by Federal Labor had included the provision of funding for community outreach.

### **5.4 Workplace Enterprise Agreements**

A non-union workplace agreement for senior executives had been essentially completed, but there were still some fundamental problems to be resolved regarding the union-supported agreement for other staff. It appeared that some requirements had changed, and advice on this was being sought from DEST. The University was still hopeful of achieving compliance with the Higher Education Workplace Relations Requirements by the 31 August deadline. As this appeared to be a sector-wide issue, it was important to request from DEST an extension of the deadline.

### **5.5 Voluntary Student Unionism**

The negotiation of a mechanism for the provision of funding for clubs and societies had been delayed by the need to give consideration to associated issues such as providing for insurance cover and asset management arrangements.

### **5.6 Additional Commonwealth Supported Places**

The University had been successful with its bid for an additional 15 places for the Clinical Psychology (Masters) program. The University had not sought additional places in nursing as there were no supporting clinical placements available in the ACT.

### **5.7 Second Semester Enrolments**

The final student enrolment numbers for Semester 2 would not be available until after the census was conducted on 11 August 2006. Current indications were that enrolments were static, but may be slightly worse than anticipated. Definitive figures would be provided to the October 2006 meeting.

During 2006, students had opted to take a lower than full-time load, partly as a result of the flexibility of the re-structured academic program and partly because of changing economic circumstances. Many other universities were experiencing similar changes to enrolment patterns. The Semester 2 outcomes had been factored into the budget re-cast.

### **5.8 Launch of the New University Website**

Technical problems had delayed the launch of the new University website. The launch would now take place on 7 August 2006.

## **5.9 Carrick Institute Citation Awards**

The following members of staff were congratulated for receiving Carrick Institute Citation Awards: Dr Christine Kilham; Professor Tony Shaddock; Dr Joe Murik; Mr Tony Spinks; Mr Gary Woolley; Associate Professor Anne Campbell; Mr Bruce Lines; Ms Jenny Coggins; Mr David Formica and Dr Nancy FitzSimmons.

## **Item 6: Delegations**

### **6.1 Authority for Establishing Companies**

Council noted that under Section 37 of the *University of Canberra Act 1989* the University may form companies provided the objectives or purposes of the company were consistent with the functions of the University. The National Governance Protocols had recently placed greater emphasis on governing bodies being accountable for the oversight of controlled and associated entities of the University and it may not be appropriate for this power to be delegated.

A motion seeking to retain the authority to establish companies with the Council of the University was passed.

#### **Resolution C107/2**

Council agreed that the authority to establish companies under Section 37 of the *University of Canberra Act 1989* should not be delegated.

### **6.2 Human Resources and Financial Delegations**

Council noted the advice provided on the review of financial delegations.

Council was asked to exercise its authority under Section 17(c) of the *University of Canberra Act 1989* and delegate to the Vice-Chancellor the power to appoint appropriately qualified staff to act in the position of vice-chancellor for periods not exceeding four weeks.

#### **Resolution C107/3**

Council agreed to exercise its authority under Section 17(c) of the *University of Canberra Act 1989* and delegated to the Vice-Chancellor the power to appoint appropriately qualified staff to act in the position of vice-chancellor for periods not exceeding four weeks.

#### **6.2.1 Appointment of Professors**

Mr Matthews presented this item. Council was asked to rescind Resolution 83/2(1) which gave the Vice-Chancellor the delegated authority to appoint all staff of the University save the positions of Vice-Chancellor and Deputy Vice-Chancellor. It was argued that the appointment of professors was too important to delegate as their appointment had a significant impact on funding, the quality of teaching and research in the University. It was common practice in other universities for Council to make professorial appointments.

In discussion of this matter, Council agreed that it would, in making the formal appointment of professors, be effectively 'rubber stamping' recommendations and not adding any real value to the decision making process. The delay in having recommendations brought to Council would also act as a hindrance to the appointment process.

A motion to rescind Resolution 83/2(1) was lost.

#### **Resolution C107/4**

Council agreed to maintain the delegation established by Resolution 83/2(1) which provided to the Vice-Chancellor the delegated authority to appoint all staff of the University save the positions of Vice-Chancellor and Deputy Vice-Chancellor.

## **Item 7: Student Residences Project**

This item was discussed *in camera* as the second item of business.

The minute for this item is included in the confidential minutes.

### **Resolution C107/5**

- Council:
1. received and noted a student petition stating their opposition to ‘the University of Canberra BOOT Scheme and any other sale of University residences’;
  2. approved the release of the Request for Proposal to the short listed consortia.

The following members requested that their dissent from this decision be recorded: Mr Matthews; Mr Hanratty; Mr Emerson Ms Newman and Ms Durrell.

## **Item 8: Guidelines for the Appointment of Emeritus Professors**

Council noted that a modest allocation of funds was made available for the support of emeritus professors in divisional budgets. The title would not normally be conferred if a person was leaving the University to take up an equivalent position at another university.

### **Resolution C107/6**

Council approved the revisions to the *Guidelines for the Appointment of Emeritus Professors*.

## **Item 9: Recommendations from Academic Board**

### **MEETING No. 06/4**

Council noted the Chair of Academic Board’s introductory comments relating to the likely impact of the Bologna Process.

### **9.1 Accreditation of Courses with New Award Titles**

#### **Resolution C107/7**

Council noted that Academic Board had resolved to accredit, on behalf of Council (under Resolution C32/3(d)), the following courses:

##### *Division of Communication & Education*

- graduate certificate course in Physics Education (leading to the new award of Graduate Certificate in Physics Education)

##### *Division of Health, Design & Science*

- undergraduate degree course in Architecture (Arts) (leading to the new award of Bachelor of Arts in Architecture)
- masters degree course in Architecture (leading to the existing award of Master of Architecture)
- graduate diploma course Advanced Nursing Practice (leading to the new award of Graduate Diploma in Advanced Nursing Practice)
- masters degree course Advanced Nursing Practice (leading to the existing award of Master of Advanced Nursing Practice)

#### **Resolution C107/8**



Council agreed to amend the *Courses & Awards Statute 1995* to add the following awards:

- Bachelor of Arts in Architecture
- Graduate Certificate in Physics Education
- Graduate Diploma in Advanced Nursing Practice

### **Resolution C107/9**

Council noted and endorsed Academic Board's decision to exercise its authority, under Rule 5(2) of the *Courses and Awards (Courses of Study) Rules 2005*, and close the following courses to new admissions and remove them from the Academic Program from the end of Semester 2, 2006:

#### *Division of Communication & Education*

- graduate certificate course in Physics Teaching [657AA] (leading to the existing award of Graduate Certificate in Physics Teaching)

#### *Division of Health, Design & Science*

- undergraduate combined course in Architecture [389AA] (leading to the existing awards of Bachelor of Applied Science in Architecture and Bachelor of Architecture)

## **9.2 Granting of Awards**

### **Resolution C107/10**

Council agreed to exercise its authority under Rule 7(2) of the *Conferring of Awards Rules 1995* and admitted the following students to the award of Doctor of Philosophy:

FLEMING, Michele (975052)  
HERBERT, Elanna (871395)  
KLAER, Neil (847480)  
PUAKPONG, Nattaya (107445)  
RAFIQ, Mah-i-Laqa (108511)  
TURK, Deborah (100443)  
ZHANG, Felicia (990357)

## **9.3 Academic Board Membership**

### **Resolution C107/11**

Council agreed to exercise its authority under Section 3(1)(j) of the *Academic Board Statute 1990* and appointed Professor Sharon BELL, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, as a member of Academic Board for the statutory maximum period of two years.

## **9.4 Academic Integrity Policy**

### **Resolution C107/12**

Council noted that Academic Board had resolved to exercise its authority, under Section 7(c) of the *Academic Board Statute 1990*, and had:

- (a) approved the *Academic Integrity Policy*; and,
- (b) agreed that the *Academic Integrity Policy* should subsume the *Plagiarism Policy* and the *Procedures for Dealing with Plagiarism in Assessment other than Examinations* with effect from 17 July 2006 (the first teaching day of Semester 2, 2006).

## **9.5 Accreditation of Courses without New Award Titles**

### **Resolution C107/13**

Council noted that Academic Board (or the Academic Board Executive Committee) for the combined undergraduate courses with Economics had resolved to accredit, on behalf of Council (under Resolution C32/3(d)), the following courses:

*Division of Business, Law & Information Sciences*

- combined undergraduate degree course in Economics/Management (leading to the existing awards of Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Management)
- combined undergraduate degree course in Economics/Law (leading to the existing awards of Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Laws)
- master's degree course in Marketing Management (leading to the existing award of Master of Marketing Management)
- professional doctoral degree course in Legal Science (research) (leading to the existing award of Doctor of Legal Science)

*Division of Communication & Education*

- graduate certificate course in Higher Education (leading to the existing award of Graduate Certificate in Higher Education)
- masters course in Internet Communication (leading to the existing award of Master of Internet Communication)

*Division of Health, Design & Science*

- postgraduate diploma course in Dietetics (leading to the existing award of Graduate Diploma in Dietetics)
- masters degree course in Landscape Architecture (coursework) (leading to the existing award of Master of Landscape Architecture)
- masters degree course in Nurse Practitioner (leading to the existing award of Master of Nurse Practitioner)
- masters degree course in Nutrition and Dietetics (leading to the existing award of Master of Nutrition and Dietetics)
- masters degree course in Applied Science (research) (leading to the existing award of Master of Applied Science)

**Resolution C107/14**

Council noted and endorsed Academic Board's decision to exercise its authority, under Rule 5(2) of the *Courses and Awards (Courses of Study) Rules 2005*, and close the following courses to new admissions and remove them from the Academic Program from the end of Semester 1, 2006:

*Division of Health, Design & Science*

- master degree course in Applied Science (research) with a specialisation in Cultural Heritage Management [156AA] (leading to the existing award of Master of Applied Science)
- masters degree course in Applied Science (research) with a specialisation in General Science [156AB] (leading to the existing award of Master of Applied Science)
- master degree course in Applied Science (research) with a specialisation in Resource Management [156AH] (leading to the existing award of Master of Applied Science)

**9.6 Changes to Courses: Closure to New Admissions**

**Resolution C107/15**

Council noted and endorsed Academic Board's decision to exercise its authority, under Rule 5(2) of the *Courses and Awards (Courses of Study) Rules 2005*, and close the following courses to new admissions and remove them from the Academic Program from the end of Semester 1, 2006 and that it was not expected to re-open them to new admissions in the future:

#### *Division of Communication & Education*

- undergraduate honours degree in Information Management [399AA] (leading to the existing award of Bachelor of Information Management (Honours))
- graduate certificate course in English for Professional Purposes [464AA ] (leading to the existing award of Graduate Certificate in English for Professional Purposes)
- graduate diploma course in Higher Education [487AA] (leading to the existing award of Graduate Diploma in Higher Education)

#### *Division of Health, Design & Science*

- graduate certificate course in EnviroStats [651AA] (leading to the existing award of Graduate Certificate in Environmental Statistics)
- graduate diploma course in Clinical Trials Management [571AA] (leading to the existing award of Graduate Diploma in Clinical Trials Management)
- postgraduate diploma course in Medical Diagnostics [151AK] (leading to the existing award of Graduate Diploma of Applied Science)
- postgraduate diploma course in Applied Science (General Science) [151AC] (leading to the existing award of Graduate Diploma in Applied Science)
- masters degree course in Applied Science (General Science) (coursework) [305AB] (leading to the existing award of Master of Applied Science)

## **Item 10: Recommendations from Council Committees**

### **10.1 Investment and Development Committee**

Council received a tabled paper providing the minutes of Meeting 2006/3 of the Investment and Development Committee.

Mr Davis advised that the main items of business discussed by the Committee were included as separate items of business for this meeting. The new student residences project had been discussed earlier at Item 7 and the recast budget for 2006 was listed for discussion at Item 11.2.

### **10.2 Audit and Risk Management Committee**

Council noted that Recommendation six, concerning the number of student members on the proposed board of directors of UCU Ltd, should be discussed before Recommendation Four as it impacted on the discussion of that recommendation. Also, Recommendation One should be changed to ‘... that the University of Canberra endorse the establishment of UCU Ltd ...’ as action had already been taken to establish a ‘shelf’ company to coincide with the legislation giving effect to voluntary student unionism. This action had been taken on the basis of legal advice that it was imperative to have the proposed company incorporated by 1 July 2006.

Mr Emerson questioned when UCU Ltd was registered with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission and if this action was taken prior to the 7 June 2006 meeting. The Vice-Chancellor advised that the company was registered on 18 May 2006 and that the action was reported to Council at the June meeting, though it was not minuted. Mr Emerson voiced his disagreement with the decision to establish UCU Ltd which he did not believe was in the best interests of students.

### **Resolution C107/16**

- Council:
1. endorsed the establishment of UCU Ltd, a not-for-profit company limited by guarantee under corporations law, with the University as the sole member;
  2. agreed that the Foundation Members of the University of Canberra Union Inc wind up the incorporated association in accord with its constitution;

3. agreed that the assets of the University of Canberra Union Inc be transferred to UCU Ltd;
4. agreed that there should be two student members of the board of UCU Ltd and that UCU Ltd should have a nine member board appointed by the Council of the University of Canberra on the following basis -
  - one director nominated by the Council of the University
  - two directors nominated by the students of the University
  - one director nominated by the staff of the University;
 five independent directors nominated by the four appointed directors and who are chosen for their relevant skills and experience;
5. agreed that the appointment of members of the board of UCU Ltd should be made by the Council of the University and that this responsibility should not be delegated;
6. agreed that one of the independent directors should be appointed by Council as the chair of the Board of UCU Ltd;
7. agreed that UCU Ltd establish a Student Advisory Committee to be chaired by a student director on the Board to advise on service priorities;
8. agreed that the University establish a minimum level service level agreement with UCU Ltd;
9. agreed that the revised constitution of UCU Ltd should be provided to Council for approval; and
10. agreed that provision should be made in the constitution of UCU Ltd for the student members to have staggered terms of appointment.

Mr Emerson requested that his dissent from the decision to establish UCU Ltd be recorded.

### **10.2.1 Review of Corporate Governance Arrangements**

Council received the final report of the Review of Corporate Governance Arrangements.

Council noted that the focus of this review was to compare high level corporate governance structure of the University against better practice guides. The review found that the University had in place all the core elements of a corporate governance framework as specified in better practice guides, but some elements could be strengthened to enhance their effectiveness. It was further noted that the review had been conducted in mid 2005 and that many changes to governance structures had occurred since that time.

## **10.3 Legislation Committee**

### **10.3.1 University of Canberra Act 1989**

Mr Kalokerinos advised that the recommendation made regarding the method of appointment of the Chair of Academic Board was based on the consideration that the University's current practice was out of line with that of the sector and that the Vice-Chancellor was best placed to make a recommendation as to who should chair Academic Board.

#### ***Resolution C107/17***

- Council:
1. approved drafting instructions to amend section 21 of the University of Canberra Act 1989; and
  2. authorised the Secretary, on behalf of the Chancellor, to transmit the drafting instructions to the Executive of the Australian Capital Territory for consideration.

### **10.3.2 Fees Statute 1995 and Fees Rules 1995**

#### ***Resolution C107/18***

- Council:
1. exercised its powers under section 40 of the University of Canberra Act 1989

- and made the University of Canberra (Fees) Amendment Statute 2006; and
2. authorised the Secretary, on behalf of the Chancellor, to transmit the above-named Statute to the Executive of the Australian Capital Territory for approval and notification; and
3. exercised its powers under section 4 of the Fees Statute 1995 and made the Fees Rules 2006.

### **10.3.3 Courses and Awards Statute 1995**

#### ***Resolution C107/19***

- Council:
1. exercised its powers under section 40 of the University of Canberra Act 1989 and made the University of Canberra (Courses and Awards) Amendment Statute 2006 (No. 2); and
  2. authorised the Secretary, on behalf of the Chancellor, to transmit the above-named Statute to the Executive of the Australian Capital Territory for approval and notification.

### **10.3.4 University Facilities Statute 1992 and Computer Centre Rules 1993**

#### ***Resolution C107/20***

- Council:
1. exercised its powers under section 40 of the University of Canberra Act 1989 and made the University of Canberra (University Facilities) Amendment Statute 2006;
  2. authorised the Secretary, on behalf of the Chancellor, to transmit the above-named Statute to the Executive of the Australian Capital Territory for approval and notification; and
  3. exercised its powers under section 4 of the University Facilities Statute 1992 and made the University Facilities (Information and Communication Technology Network) Rules 2006.

## **10.4 Environment Committee**

Council received two tabled papers: the minutes of meeting 2006/3 of the Environment Committee and the recommendations from the Committee.

Adjunct Professor Bryce advised that the recommendations from the Environment Committee included a number of principles and guidelines developed for inclusion in the terms of reference for the revision of the University Master and Landscape Plans. The principles and guidelines addressed the needs of the student residential precinct and provided a vision for its continued development as well as the broader campus.

#### ***Resolution C107/21***

- Council:
1. endorsed the principles and guidelines established for the revision of the Campus Master and Landscape Plans and its relationship to the student residences precinct and the architectural design principals for the new student residences proposal; and
  2. recommended that the principles and guidelines be included in the Terms of Reference for the Master Planning Consultancy.

## **Item 11: Periodic Financial Performance Reports**

### **11.1 Periodic Financial Performance Reports**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the financial position of the University remained sound though, as previously reported, there were a number of areas of underachievement in revenue.

The next financial report would include indicators provided against performance criteria ('traffic light' reporting).

Council noted that a minority of the aged debts reported would extend back to 2005 and that there had been resolution of a number of the debts contained in the report.

***Resolution C107/22***

Council: 1. received and noted the Period 6, 2006 Financial Report; and  
2. noted that the next financial report would include indicators against performance criteria presented in a graphic format.

**11.2 Revised 2006 Budget**

The Vice-Chancellor referred members to the information provided on the analytical process used to recast the 2006 Budget. Council noted the reduction in expenditure being sought through the 2006 budget and that the mechanisms for achieving this had been accepted by the Divisions. The main impact on staffing would be through a reduction in the employment of casual staff.

***Resolution C107/23***

Council approved the recast Budget for 2006.

**Item 12: UGPD Research Project Proposal**

Associate Professor Deborah Blackman, University Governance Professional Development Program, was in attendance for the discussion of this item.

Council noted that it may be necessary for several observers to attend one or two meetings of the Council and Academic Board to collect data for the project. The data collected will be transcribed for entry into a text analysis program. Participants would not be identifiable either as individuals or members of a particular university. The project was subject to ethics approval.

***Resolution C107/24***

Council noted the research proposal 'Exploring Knowledge-Creating Behaviours within University Councils' submitted by the University Professional Development Program and agreed that the observation should proceed.

**Item 13: Reports from Associated Entities**

**13.1 Sustainable Tourism CRC**

***Resolution C107/25***

Council received and noted the audited financial statements of the Cooperative Research Centre for Sustainable Tourism.

**Item 14: Action Plan from Council's Professional Development Program**

***Resolution C107/26***

Council noted the Action Plan from Council's Professional Development Program.

## **Item 15: Professorial and other senior appointments; other matters**

Council received and noted a report on the appointment of Adjunct Professors of the University.

<i>Family Name</i>	<i>Given Name</i>	<i>Adjunct Professor of</i>	<i>Period</i>
English	Jack	Entrepreneurship	1/4/06 - 31/3/09
Barry	Bernard	Business Management, Organisational Behaviour and Administration	1/1/06 - 31/12/09
Cahalan	Anthony	Graphic Design	1/7/06 - 30/6/09
Bacon	Bruce	Economics (NATSEM)	1/5/06 - 30/4/09

## **Item 16: Minutes of Council Committees**

Council received and noted the following minutes of Council Committees.

- Audit and Risk Management - Meeting 2006/4 (28 June 2006)
- Investment and Development - Meeting 2006/3 (19 July 2006) (tabled)
- Environment - Meeting 2006/3 (25 July 2006) (tabled)
- Legislation - Meeting 2006/3 (19 July 2006)

## **Item 17: Items brought forward by individual Council Members**

No matters were raised at this item

## **Item 18: Report from the University of Canberra College**

The meeting was closed to the public for the discussion of this item and Items 20.1 and 20.2.

The minute for this item is recorded in the confidential minutes.

### ***Resolution C107/27***

Council received and noted the second report provided by the University of Canberra College for 2006.

## **Item 19: Report from the Selection Committee for the Appointment of a new Vice-Chancellor**

This matter was discussed *in camera* as the first item of business. The Vice-Chancellor was not present for the discussion.

The minute for this item is recorded in the confidential minutes.

## **Item 20: Report from the Vice-Chancellor**

### **20.1 UC/CIT Liaisons**

### **20.2 Unitronics**

Items 20.1 and 20.2 are recorded in the confidential minutes.

### **Departing Members**

The Chancellor noted that Mr Hanratty would be leaving Council before the next meeting and that he had now served on Council for twelve years, the maximum period allowed under the National Governance Protocols. A number of members had reached the end of their term of appointment including: Dr Moore, Mr Emerson, Ms Newman and Mr Matthews. Members expressed their appreciation to these members for their commitment and contribution to Council by acclamation.

The meeting closed at 7.30 pm.