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## **COUNCIL DIGEST**

An update on the key decisions made and matters discussed by Council at its meeting on Thursday 24 October 2024.

### **STRATEGY**

#### **Vice-Chancellor's Strategy and Enterprise Performance Report**

Council discussed and noted the report.

#### **Focused Report on the Faculty of Science and Engineering**

Council discussed and noted the report from the Executive Dean, Faculty of Science and Engineering, which provided an update on the alignment of strategy and plans within the Faculty of Science and Engineering with the University's overall strategy and an update on the progress, performance and trajectory of the Faculty.

#### **Focused Report on Education Strategy**

Council discussed and noted the report from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), which provided an update on the implementation of The Macquarie Advantage education strategy focused on the governance framework, high priority initiatives and progress against the top four of these.

#### **Focused Report on Research Strategy**

Council discussed and noted the report from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research), which provided an update on the University's current 2015 – 2024 Research Framework and the development of Research Strategy 2035.

### **REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **Vice-Chancellor's Report**

Council discussed and noted the Vice-Chancellor's report.

#### **Academic Senate Report and Recommendations – 27 August and 8 October 2024 meetings**

Council discussed and noted the report from the Chair of Academic Senate on the 27 August and 8 October 2024 meetings, including the half-yearly report on Student Conduct Matters, and matters recommended to Council for decision.

Council resolved to approve the award of the titles of Professor Emerita/Emeritus.

Council also discussed and noted the annual reports on Academic Integrity and Research Integrity and the Quality and Standards Review Reports covering Domain 3 (Teaching) of the Higher Education Standards Framework (Threshold Standards).

#### **Audit and Risk Committee Report and Recommendations – 25 July 2024 Meeting**

Council discussed and noted the report from the Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee on the meeting held on 25 July 2024.

#### **Finance and Facilities Committee Report and Recommendations – 24 September 2024 meeting**

Council discussed and noted the report from the Chair of the Finance and Facilities Committee on the meeting held on 24 September 2024, including a matter recommended to Council for noting, in relation to a change to a controlled entity.

#### **Nominations and Remuneration Committee Report and Recommendations – 15 October 2024 extraordinary meeting**

Council discussed and noted the report from the Chancellor, in his capacity as Chair of the Nominations and Remuneration Committee, on the extraordinary meeting held 15 October 2024, including matters recommended to Council.

Council resolved to approve the recommendations relating to nomination matters, including the nomination of a candidate to the Minister for Skills, TAFE and Tertiary Education for appointment under section 8G of the Macquarie University Act 1989 and the reappointment of Ms Louise Mason.

### **OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED/APPROVED**

#### **Calendar of Governance 2025-2027**

Council endorsed the Macquarie University Council and Reporting Committees Calendar of Governance 2024 – 2026.