

Meeting No:	CM 4/17
Date:	Tuesday, 15 August 2017
Venue:	Building 901, Level 2, Berwick Campus

STRATEGIC MATTERS

Social Inclusion Plan 2015-2016 Final Update and Report

Mr Darren Holland, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Student Support and Services provided Council with an update in relation to the Social Inclusion Plan and highlighted the following points:

- the Plan establishes objectives, actions and indicators, and provides a coordinated framework for on-going improvement, with respect to equity, diversity and social inclusion, in all aspects of FedUni's operations;
- the final update at the end of 2016 outlines a range of achievements across the three priority areas, which include –
 - Priority 1 Aspiration and Access
 - Priority 2 Participation and Attainment
 - Priority 3 Social Inclusion and Culture
- the Plan outlines a coordinated approach and includes references to the Reconciliation Action Plan, Disability Action Plan and BOLD Learning and Teaching Plan;
- the development and implementation of the Plan is overseen and monitored by FedUni's Social Inclusion Committee and supported by the Equity and Equal Opportunity Office; and
- the Plan is still relevant for 2017.

Vice-Chancellor's Report

Council received the Vice-Chancellor's report on the following matters:

- Student enrolments;
- FedUni Next program;
- Research achievements including progress in positioning FedUni as a key partner in the social and economic transformation of the Latrobe Valley
- Government and policy developments including the proposed reforms to the *Higher Education Support Act 2003*;
- FedUni's commitment to implementing all ten of the recommendations contained in the Human Rights Commission Respect. Now. Always. report on sexual assault and harassment at Australian universities; and
- Trystan Sammut, a FedUni TAFE apprentice bricklayer, has been selected for the Australian team bi-annual WorldSkills competition to be held in Abu Dhabi in September.

P-TECH Initiative

Council member Mr Steve Davies (Executive Consultant, IBM) provided Council with an informative presentation highlighting the P-TECH (Pathways in Technology Early College High Schools) model, benefits and opportunities, various 2016 and 2017 projects and measures of success. Council noted the success of the P-TECH collaboration between Federation College and IBM, which has been recognised with the 2017 Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) Partnerships' Award.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic Board

Council noted the *unconfirmed* Minutes of Academic Board – AB 4/17 meeting held Wednesday, 28 June 2017 and the resolutions approved at that meeting.

Council approved the new program titled Diploma of Hospitality Management SIT50416 and received a summary report from the Chair on other Academic Board matters.

Council Executive Committee

Council noted the *unconfirmed* Minutes of CEC 4/17 meeting held Monday, 24 July 2017, including the approval on behalf of Council of the Grains Research and Development Corporation research agreement.

Finance Committee

Council noted the *confirmed* Minutes of FC 5/17 meeting held Thursday, 6 July 2017 and the *unconfirmed* Minutes of FC 6/17 meeting held Tuesday, 25 July 2017. Council received a summary report from the Chair and noted the June Organisational Performance Report.

Infrastructure Committee

Council noted the *unconfirmed* Minutes of IC 5/17 meeting held Tuesday, 25 July 2017 and received a summary report from the Chair.

Audit and Risk Committee

Council noted the *unconfirmed* Minutes of A&RC 3/17 meeting held Tuesday, 25 July 2017 and received a summary report from the Chair. Council approved three internal audit reports and noted amendments to the Strategic Internal Audit Plan 2017-2019.

OTHER BUSINESS

University Policies and Procedures

Council noted the following FedUni policies and procedures which were approved at CEC 4/17, on behalf of Council:

- Quality Framework
- Quality Assurance Review Process Procedure
- Delegations of Authority Framework

2018 Graduation Dates

Council endorsed the proposed 2018 Graduation Dates, subject to minor amendments approved by Council.

Council Appointments

Council discussed the Council appointments due for review prior to the end of 2017.

Next Meeting

The next Council meeting and Council Planning Retreat will be held on Tuesday, 10 October 2017 and Wednesday, 11 October 2017 at the Gippsland Campus.