From the Council

At its meeting on 13 August 2015, Council received a report from the Vice-Chancellor on a number of matters, including:

- Transforming Health Update
- Flinders response to Draft National Strategy for International Education
- Simplified student visa process to boost Australia’s international education sector
- Education Services for Overseas Students (ESOS) Bill
- State Government Budget
- John Chalmers Centre
- Southern Innovation Precinct
- Autonomous Cars Policy
- Visit by the Governor-General of New Zealand to Tonsley Precinct
- Ageing in a Foreign Land Conference
- National Award for the Flinders Healthy Eating program
- World Solar Challenge
- Australian Research Council Linkage Projects (ARC)
- Chair of Restorative Care
- Palliative Care receives $5 million in grant funding
- South Australian Government Trade Mission to China
- Asia Research and Innovation Network – IRU proposal
- Flinders University Graduation in Nankai University
- Professor Michael Kidd – Appointed to NHMRC
- Professor Justine Smith – Academia Ophthalmogica Internationalis
- Vale Dr Syd Harrex
- South Australian Screen Awards
- South Australian Science Excellence Award Finalists
- Vice-Chancellor’s Prize for Doctoral Thesis Excellence
- Student Success from NVI “Speed Dating” Business Event
- Flinders Professor acclaimed as Leaders in their fields
- Official Raising of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flags at Flinders’ main campus (NAIDOC Week).

Council approved:

- Amendments to the Academic Senate terms of reference and composition;
- Amendments to the Animal Welfare Committee terms of reference;
- Change of name of the School of International Studies to School of History and International Relations;
- Appointment of the Chair, Board of Flinders Campus Community Services;
- Appointment of Chair, Board of Flinders Partners Pty Ltd; and
- Delegation of approval of the Appointed Day for the election of student and staff members of Council.

Council noted:

- Update report on the development of the program for the University’s 50th Anniversary;

Council discussed:
Proposal for research collaboration between Flinders University and the Copenhagen Consensus Centre.

Further information about the items listed above can be found in the non-confidential Agenda Papers for Council meeting 3/15, which is available on the University website at: http://www.flinders.edu.au/compserv/ucs/public/

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