From the Council

At its meeting on 3 December 2015, Council received a report from the Vice-Chancellor on a number of matters, including:

- Teaching Specialist role – Staff consultation
- Appointment of Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Students)
- Interim recruitment freeze
- Premier’s visit to NVI
- New Chief Scientist appointed – Dr Alan Finkel AO
- Report from chief Scientist – Boosting High Impact Entrepreneurship in Australia
- $5.1 million National Health and Medical Research Council Research funding
- ARC Funding for $4.3m of Flinders Research
- New Strategic Professor John Spoehr appointed
- Research funding withdrawn for potential research collaboration
- Flinders University top 251-300 in Times Higher Education World University Ranking
- New Polymer to help battle Mercury contamination
- Successful Endeavour Mobility Grants
- Swedish visit to Tonsley
- Australia Awards Workshop
- Sir Eric Neal AC CVO recipient of Engineers Australia Nicol Russell Memorial Medal – Career Achievement Award
- Medical Research Leaders top league
- Good vibrations for Flinders inventor
- Citations for Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning
- eNViEs Graduation and Annual Awards
- Inaugural Bob Such Memorial Scholarships
- Helpmann Academy Awards
- Winnovation Awards
- Flinders sponsors the Adelaide Film Festival Documentary Award
- Design Institute of Australia Awards
- Honorary Doctorates awarded
- Flinders Tonsley Building wins award
- The Investigator Public Lecture
- Latin America Film Festival
- World Solar Challenge 2015
- Annual Dean Jaensch Public Lecture
- Virtual Health Colloquium
- Australian Groundwater Conference
- Mini Maker Faire at Tonsley
- Flinders SHAPE Research Centre to assist Surf Life Saving
- Jembatan on show at IndoFest
- Appointment of Mr Richard Porter, interim Chief Financial Officer, reporting to the Senior Vice-President, commencing 7 December 2015
- Award of the 2016 Australian Cultural John Monash Scholar to Mr Samuel Williams
- The University’s strong performance in the Excellence in Research Australia (ERA).

Council approved:

- Amendment to the composition of Academic Senate

Council noted:
• Vice-Chancellor’s Management Report
• Strategic and Evaluative Reports on Research Strategy and on Student Satisfaction, Quality of Teaching and Teaching Resources

Further information about the items listed above can be found in the non-confidential Agenda Papers for Council meeting 5/15, which is available on the University website at: http://www.flinders.edu.au/compserv/ucs/public/

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15 December 2015