From the Council

At its meeting on 6 December 2012, Council received a report from the Vice-Chancellor on a number of matters, including:

- Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook
- Asian Century White Paper
- Tonsley Economic Reference Group
- Flinders in the Northern Territory
- Dimitria Greek Festival and LOGOS – Australian Centre for Hellinic Language and Culture
- Bachelor of Engineering (Civil)
- National Health and Medical Research Council, Australian Research Council and Linkage Infrastructure Equipment Facilities grants
- Australian-China University Leaders’ Forum
- International Education Excellence Award for Best Practice/Innovation
- Asia Graduations
- International Student Barometer and Transnational Education
- Mechanical Engineering Students Win Weir Minerals Design and Building Competition
- Adoption of the title ‘Professional Staff’ in place of ‘General Staff’
- Deputy Vice-Chancellor (International and Communities) – Professor Dean Forbes’ Retirements
- Prime Minister’s Australia Asia Awards and the Prime Minister’s Pacific Australia Awards
- Excellence in Research Australia (ERA) outcomes for Flinders University 2012.

Council approved:

- The establishment of the following course:
  - Graduate Certificate in Creative Arts
- The discontinuation of the following courses:
  - Doctor of Medicine [by research]
  - Graduate Certificate in Neuroscience (Learning)
- Strategic Plan 2012 – 2016
- Revised terms of reference and composition of Academic Senate
- Re-appointment of external members of Council
- Appointment of student members of Council
- Re-appointment of members of Council standing committees
- Re-appointment of Professor David Day as a member of the Board of Flinders Partners Pty Ltd
- Revised composition of Awards Committee

Council noted:

- a presentation from the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Information Services) and Chief Information Officer; and
- Election of Academic and Professional Staff members of Council.
Further information about the items listed above can be found in the non-confidential Agenda Papers for Council meeting 6/12, which is available on the University website at: http://www.flinders.edu.au/compserv/ucs/public/

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