

## Governance

### Strategic Resources Committee

#### The Constitution of the Strategic Resources Committee.

This committee operates in accordance with the [UWA Principles for the Operation of Committee](#) and [UWA Rules for the operation of committees](#). Members must act in accordance with the University [Committee Members' Code of Conduct](#).

Members must also act in accordance with the Senate Code which applies to Senate and Senate committees. In accordance with the Code members must among other things:

- ❖ act always in the best interest of the University as a whole, with this obligation to be observed in priority to any perceived duty a member may owe to those electing or appointing him or her
- ❖ maintain confidentiality and, except with the approval of the Chair or if required by State or Commonwealth legislation, not divulge information at any time to any person external to the committee.

The Senate Charter gives the [Senate](#) responsibility, among other things, for facilitating and assisting with the resourcing of the University, and for working in partnership with the [Vice-Chancellor](#) to ensure the fiscal viability of the institution.

## Constitution

### 1. Committee of the Senate

The Strategic Resources Committee is a committee of the Senate.

### 2. Role

- (1) The role of the committee is to —
  - (a) monitor the financial welfare of the University and report to Senate annually on its findings;
  - (b) monitor campus planning and advise Senate on major physical developments and associated policy issues;
  - (c) monitor policy on staffing resources in the context of the current Priority Staffing and Industrial Relations Objective, and report to Senate annually on its findings;
  - (d) bring to the Senate's attention emerging strategic issues related to the committee's role which have the potential to impact on the University and which it believes should be addressed by the Executive and/or the Senate; and
  - (e) advise the Senate on proposals for the establishment, acquisition or change in ownership of a controlled entity, or a material change significantly affecting the University's level of control in a controlled entity.

### 3. HESF/ESOS Oversight Responsibilities

In performing its role and responsibilities, the committee monitors compliance with those standards relevant to its remit contained in the Higher Education Standards Framework (Threshold Standards) 2021, the ESOS National Code of Practice for Providers of Education and Training to Overseas Students 2018 and as required by other higher education regulators and regulatory bodies.

#### 4. Membership

- (1) The committee comprises —
  - (a) members appointed by and from the Senate as follows:
    - (i) an external member, as Chair;
    - (ii) at least two other external members;
    - (iii) at least one member of the academic or general staff;
  - (b) the [Vice-Chancellor](#);
  - (c) the member elected by the [Academic Board](#);
  - (d) the President of the Student Guild; and
  - (e) up to four external members co-opted by the foregoing.
- (2) At the beginning of each year the committee must appoint from among its members an external member of the Senate as Deputy Chair.
- (3) Except as set out in (4) an external member is one who does not hold any University position, either paid or honorary.
- (4) For the purpose of membership of this committee, the Senate may determine that a holder of a clinical, adjunct or honorary position, is an external member.
- (5) The following are standing invitees to meetings of the committee —
  - (a) the Chancellor;
  - (b) the Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor; and
  - (c) the Chief Financial Officer.

#### 5. Terms of office

- (1) The term of office of members appointed under 4(1)(a) and (e) is normally three years.
- (2) The term of office of the member appointed under 4(1)(d) is normally one year.

#### 6. Eligibility for a second or subsequent term of office

At the end of a term of office, members are eligible to be reappointed or co-opted again for the greater of three terms or a maximum of nine years.

#### 7. Skills and/or qualifications of members

- (1) It is desirable that members appointed under 4(1)(a) and (e) have an understanding of the strategic use of resources.
- (2) In determining co-opted members under 4(1)(e), the committee —
  - (a) must ensure that co-opted members provide expertise in areas of need identified by the committee;
  - (b) must consider issues of confidentiality and loyalty; and
  - (c) must consider co-opting members of the alumni, potential future members of the Senate and former members of the Senate.

#### 8. Quorum

The quorum for the committee is half the number of members and must include at least one of the members appointed under 4(1)(a)(i) or (ii).

#### 9. Decisions

- (1) All questions which come before the committee are decided by a majority of the members present and voting.

- (2) The chair of the meeting has an ordinary vote and a casting vote.

#### 10. Frequency of meetings

The committee normally meets four times a year.

#### 11. Review and Performance

- (1) The committee shall, annually —
- (a) review this Constitution to ensure that it complies with relevant legislative and regulatory requirements, and that it accurately reflects the committee's current role and responsibilities. Any revisions will be recommended to the Senate for approval; and
  - (b) perform an evaluation of the committee's performance to determine whether it is functioning effectively by reference to global good practice and report the outcomes to Senate.

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