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CAMPUS NEWS REPLACES INFORMATION BULLETIN

Campus News replaces the Wollongong University College Information Bulletin and will carry a variety of news and information including:

- . reports of meetings of University Council and Academic Senate;
- . news from the Vice-Chancellor;
- . announcements, notices and news from the University administration, academic departments, the Library, the Union, and the Students' Representative Council;
- . appointments and resignations of staff;
- . a Diary of Dates and Events;
- . letters from students and staff (200 words maximum);
- . reports from clubs and societies;
- . sporting results and news;
- . news from other universities; and,
- . "classified" advertisements.

Campus News is intended to be a communication channel for all members of the University. Frequency of publication will depend not only on the flow of news and information reaching the Information Office from around the University but also on the need to keep the campus informed of various events and activities.

Material for publication should be typed or neatly handwritten and forwarded to the Information Office.

REPORT FROM THE UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

The first meeting of the first Council of the University of Wollongong was held at 11.00 a.m. in the Council room on January 1 last.

Mr. D.E. Parry was elected Chairman and Mr. E. Beale elected Vice-Chairman.

In the Chairman's absence, Mr. Beale took the Chair and thanked members on behalf of Mr. Parry and himself for the honour bestowed on them in electing them Chairman and Vice-Chairman. On behalf of the Council, he congratulated Professor Birt on his assumption of office as Vice-Chancellor and wished him every success in the years ahead.

Congratulatory messages from Mr. L. Kelly, M.L.A., Professor A. Willis, Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University of New South Wales, and Mr. M. Boland, former Senior Administrative Officer, were read.

VICE-CHANCELLOR

Council delineated the functions of the Vice-Chancellor in the management of the academic, administrative, financial and other business of the University.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council established the following Committees: Agenda Committee; Buildings and Grounds Committee; Finance Committee; Legislation Committee; Staff Committee; and Honorary Degrees Committee.

EMPLOYMENT CONDITIONS

Council decided that the University of New South Wales conditions of appointment and service for academic and general staff would be adopted as interim arrangements. The Vice-Chancellor was authorised to continue discussions with employee associations and unions in order to present to Council an agreed statement of conditions of employment at the University.

It was agreed that the University provide Superannuation through the New South Wales Superannuation Scheme for academic and general staff. Council also authorised the establishment of a Professorial Superannuation Scheme similar to the University of New South Wales Professorial Superannuation Scheme for Professors and other Senior Staff.

UNIVERSITY BANKERS

The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney was appointed as bankers to the University.

CONSTITUTIONS

The Constitutions of the University of Wollongong Union, the University of Wollongong Students' Representative Council and the University of Wollongong Sports Association were approved.

ACADEMIC STRUCTURE

Council endorsed the document on Academic Structure forwarded by the Academic Senate.

REPORT FROM ACADEMIC SENATE

The first meeting of the University of Wollongong Academic Senate, formerly the Interim Academic Senate, was held on Wednesday, January 29, in the Council Room. The Deputy Chairman, Professor J.B. Ryan, was in the Chair. The Chairman, Professor B.H. Smith, is on study leave until the end of February. Some of the items which Senate discussed are outlined below.

- . The Vice-Chancellor reported that the University Council had met on January 1.
- . Senate endorsed the Vice-Chancellor's determination of the level of performance required for persons seeking entry to the University from the H.S.C. examinations.
- . The Vice-Chancellor informed Senate that he had received letters from the Australian Universities Commission reminding the University that it had agreed to provide further information about Continuing Education, the Performing Arts Centre, and new activities contemplated in migrant education. The Senate appointed a working party to prepare a statement on Continuing Education to be presented to Senate at its meeting on February 12. The working party comprises: Mr. J.R. Panter, Mr. R.F. Stewart, Mr. J.C. Steinke, and Miss J.M. Jones. Associate Professor J.S. Hagan was requested to prepare a statement about migrant education and Estate Manager, Mr. J.F. Bell, to prepare a statement about the Performing Arts Centre, both statements to be presented to Senate on March 12.
- . Senate elected Miss A.R.M. Johnson (Department of Geography) to the Library Committee to fill the vacancy left by Dr. J.N. Stephens' resignation.
- . Senate was informed that the bachelor degree requirements, as approved by Council on January 1, were now available and being circulated.
- . Senate appointed a working party to recommend on the composition and terms of reference for its Graduate Studies and Admissions Committees. The party comprises: Professor J.B. Ryan, Professor G.B. Brinson, Associate Professor W.H. Charlton, Professor A. Keane, and Mr. R.F. Stewart.
- . Senate adopted the recommendations (with amendments) contained in Mr. J.R. Panter's report on the establishment of an Audio-Visual Aids Committee. On the recommendation of the Library Committee, Senate approved the inclusion of the Librarian, or his nominee, as a member for the term of office of the committee. The following addition was made to the Terms of Reference: "to liaise with the Buildings and Site Committee where appropriate".
- . Senate endorsed the recommendation that the Audio-Visual Unit, when formed in March, should be asked to report on the relationship of that Committee to the proposed Educational Methods Unit. Senate noted that the General Studies Committee was preparing a report to present to Senate.
- . The Registrar informed Senate that the 1975 target for new enrolments was 745. The Admissions Committee was asked to seek an alternative title to "Special Admissions Programme", which covers university entry of people 21 years or over.

- After debating a resolution concerning entry to English 1, Senate decided that the Registrar, Mr. R.F. Stewart, should prepare a paper setting out the machinery and the timetable needed to consider proposals to amend admission regulations.
- Senate decided to refer Faculty of Humanities resolutions concerning student representation on Departmental Committees, Academic Senate and Academic Assembly to all other Faculties for comment and to notify the Students' Representative Council of this action.

INFORMATION OFFICE RELOCATED

The Information Office is now located in Room 116, Administration Building. For the timebeing, the telephone extension is 375.

PAY RISES FOR ACADEMIC STAFF

Academic staff in universities and colleges of advanced education throughout Australia have received substantial increases in salary. The new rates, retrospective to October 16 last year, were paid for the first time in the University of Wollongong on February 6.

The new rates are:

Professors - \$22,750, an increase of 16 percent over their present salary.

Associate Professors and Readers - \$19,500, an increase of 19 percent.

Senior Lecturers - a new range of \$15,400 to \$17,900, an increase of 22 percent.

Lecturers - a new range of \$11,250 to \$15,100, an increase of from 22 percent to 25 percent.

Principal Tutors - a new range of \$11,250 to \$14,000 - an increase of from 23 to 25 percent.

Senior Tutors - a new range of \$9,750 to \$11,250 - an increase of from 25 percent to 29 percent.

Tutors - a new range of \$8,000 to \$9,500 - an increase of from 30 percent to 34 percent.

The salaries of part-time academic staff have increased in direct proportion to the increases payable to comparable fulltime staff. The increases were recommended by the Academic Salaries Tribunal. Academic staff will also be entitled to an annual holiday loading as recommended in the Tribunal's report.