



MONASH University
Education

RESEARCH COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Meeting No. 4/09
16 September 2009

FACULTY OF EDUCATION

RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Meeting No 4/09 of the Research Committee of the Faculty of Education to be held on Wednesday 16 September, 2009, at 11.00am, in the Room G08, Education building, Clayton Campus.

Apologies are to be forwarded to Dr Chris Siva on ext 52896 or email: Chris.Siva@education.monash.edu.au.

Dr Chris Siva

Executive Officer

AGENDA

Members having a direct commercial or financial interest in any item before this meeting must declare that interest to the Chair via the Executive Officer prior to consideration of the item, and must not take part in a vote on any matter concerning it.

1. ATTENDANCE

ACTION

1.1. Present

1.2. In Attendance

Ms Susan Plowright

1.3. Apologies

1.4. On Leave

Professor Terri Seddon, Professor Ilana Snyder, Dennis Moore, Hazel Tan

2. *CONSIDERATION OF THE AGENDA

2.1. Starring of Items

The Chair will provide members with the opportunity to star additional items for discussion

2.2. Notice of Motion

The Chair will move that for all items other than those starred the recommendations contained therein be adopted without discussion or the information noted.

3. *MINUTES

3.1. Meeting No 2/09

Recommendation

That the Minutes of Meeting No. 3/09 of the Research Committee held on Wednesday 22 July 2009 be confirmed as a correct record of the meeting and signed.

RC 41/09

3.2. Matters Arising from the Minutes

4. ITEMS FOR REPORT

4.1. *Chair's Report

5. *ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

5.1. FRG Evaluation

RC 42/09

The FRG Leaders have been invited to provide feedback on the evaluation practices and ideas, and timetable set out in the Node Policy document.

Propose that FRG leaders submit evaluation reports in late November for assessment in early December. Discuss process for selection of external assessors.

5.2. Budget 2010

Discuss items for budget for 2010. The committee is asked to provide ideas for cutting costs to current practices.

5.3. Campus Research Leaders

Process for selection of campus research leaders and appointment. Issues to be discussed in relation to workload. The committee is asked to provide ideas for appointment and workload of campus research leader.

5.4. ARC Calendar for 2010

RC 43/09

A proposed calendar of events linked to ARC grants and mentoring scheme is presented.

6.0 OTHER ITEMS

6.1 ERA Summary

RC 44/09

RC 45/09

The Humanities and Creative Arts (HCA) cluster trial has been completed in 2009. A power point presentation is attached for noting (RC 44/09). The ERA team are currently collecting feedback on esteem factors. Feedback forms and related documentation are attached (RC 45/09).

6.2 New Research Policies & Procedures for Consultation

RC 46/09

In late 2007 the Office of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) initiated a review of all research portfolio policies and procedures at Monash University. The review was instigated in response to two imperatives:

1. the need to ensure that Monash University had appropriate governance structures in place to conform to all appropriate national and international legislation and codes of practice, in particular the revised Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research 2007 (the Code); and
2. the requirement for all policies and procedures to be converted to the Monash University Policy Bank prescribed format.

Feedback is sought from Research Committee on the attached draft documentation.

6.3 Faculty Research Group Update

Three presentations:

1. Inclusive Mathematics – Peter Sullivan
2. Globalisation and Social Inclusion - Mary-Lou Rasmussen
3. Science Education – Debbie Corrigan

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

8. NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 11th November, 2009

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Professor Jane Kenway (chair)
Professor Margaret Somerville
Professor Marilyn Fleer
Professor Ilana Snyder
Ms Bronwyn Smith

FOR INFORMATION

Professor Sue Willis, Dean
Mr Peter Lawford, Faculty Manager
Ms Susan Plowright, Manager, Academic Services & Quality
Mr Romesh Perera, Manager (Finance and Resources)
Associate Professor Helen Forgasz (Deputy Dean Clayton)

Elected Members:
Professor Terri Seddon
Professor Dennis Moore
Associate Professor Helen Watt
Dr Joel Windle
Dean's Nominees:
Associate Professor Phil Payne
Dr Michael Henderson
Student Representative:
Hazel Tan

Ms Anita Forsyth, Director Research Degrees
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