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New members of the Senate were welcomed – Ms Jenny Kent, Associate Professor Louise Hard and Associate Professor Lyn Angel (new Faculty members) and Jordan Emery and Greg Adamson (under and post graduate student members).

Professor Kevin Robards was declared elected as Presiding Officer of Academic Senate for a two year term commencing on 9 August 2007 and the election of the Deputy Presiding Officer was deferred due to a lack of nominations.

Academic Senate nominations to the Committees of Academic Senate, for a two year term commencing on 8 August 2007, were approved.

A discussion paper, prepared by the Presiding Officer of Academic Senate was received. Following circulation of the draft paper within the University for comment. A final paper and action plan will be submitted to a future meeting of Academic Senate for approval.

A report from the NSW/ACT Committee of Chairs of Academic Boards and Senate on “HSC All My Own Work: a program in ethical scholarship of HSC students” was received and the Dean, Faculty of Education was asked to prepare a discussion paper in consultation with other faculties, on plagiarism at CSU and the proposal that all CSU students be required to complete an online plagiarism module.

The 2008 Performance Based Funding (PBF) Criteria for Professional Development in Learning and Teaching, Expectations of CSU for Research Activities and Professional Activities were approved.

The processes approved by UCPC for the administration of CSU Discipline Codes were noted.

Amendments to the Graduation Regulations pertaining to academic dress were approved. The amendments specify the academic dress to apply for University Certificates, Postgraduate Diplomas and Certificates and Honours Awards. A new academic dress colour for the Faculty of Science is to be selected and approved by Academic Senate.
As a consequence of the provisions of the ESOS Act, an early intervention process for onshore international students was approved. This process will be extended to apply to domestic students, with the exception of procedures relating to visas.

Changes to the graduation ceremony dates for 2008 were approved and will be included in the 2008 Principal Dates.