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The colour to apply to academic dress for graduates in the Faculty of Science was approved. Faculty of Science academic dress colour is Gold.

Advice from the Head of Learning and Access Support in the Division of Student Services was received in relation to the progress of the review of the Student and University Charter. The review of the Charter has been included in the Final Year Project and further information in relation to the project will be available at the end of 2007.

Members of Senate indicated their support for the 2008 PBF criteria, which was approved at the August 2007 Senate meeting, to apply to staff for 2007. The DVC (Academic) undertook to contact Heads of School to ascertain whether any staff would be disadvantaged by the early introduction of the criteria.

Amendments to the academic regulations pertaining to the submission of bound hard copies of theses were approved to ensure that candidates may not graduate until such time as the requirements for the submission of hard bound copies of a thesis have been met.

Part A of the Principles and Practices to Encourage Responsible Research Conduct in the Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research issued by the National Health and Medical Research Councils, the Australian Research Council and Universities Australian was adopted to replace the current CSU Code of Conduct for Research. The Code is published at:


The CSU Institutional Repository Policy was approved. The Policy applies to all publicly available research and scholarly outputs effective from 3 October 2007.

Approval was given for the disestablishment of the Special Consideration for Admission Committee, a committee of APC, effective immediately and for the reassignment of the functions performed by the Committee to qualified Officers within the University. Amendments to the Admission Regulations pertaining to special consideration for admission as a consequence of the disestablishment of the Committee were also approved.
Approval was given for the retention of the existing numeric coding scheme for subject levels, with the first numeric digit providing and indication of subject level and with the addition of 0 for bridging subjects. In addition, move precise information about subject level will be embedded within the subject attributes for each subject in CASIMS.

The CSU Indigenous Education Strategy Discussion Paper was received. The reconciliation statement in the paper will be recommended to the University Council for adoption and the key objectives in the paper were endorsed. The Director, Centre for Indigenous Studies will report back to Senate on the action plan that will be established to meet these objectives. The final draft of the paper will be considered at the 12 December 2007 Senate meeting.

The revised role description for Course Coordinators/Course Managers was approved.

The Annual report on Student Academic Misconduct for 2006 was received.