377/1951.

THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

COUNCIL

The first meeting of the Council was held at the University Offices, Acton, on Friday, 13th July, 1951, at 10 a.m.

Present: The Vice-Chancellor (Sir Douglas Copland), Professor K.H. Bailey, Mr. A.S. Brown, Professor H. Burton, Dr. D.A. Cameron, Professor W.R. Crooker, Professor A.H. Ennor, Professor M.L. Oliphant, Sir David Rivett, Senator D.M. Tangney, Professor H.K. Ward, Dr. Roland Wilson, Professor R.D. Wright.

The Registrar and his Assistant were in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. K.E. Beazley, Professor G.A. Currie, Mr. E.R. Dawes, Mr. H.J. Goodes, Senator J.G. Gorton and Major-General W.J.V. Windeyer.

1. CHAIRMANSHIP:

It was resolved that Sir David Rivett be elected to the Chair for the present meeting.

2. MINUTES:

Copies of the minutes of the 51st meeting of the Interim Council held on 8th June, 1951, were laid on the table and noted.

3. CONSTITUTION OF COUNCIL:

(a) Report of the Election and Appointment of Members and of the Enactment of the Constitution of the Council (Period of Office) Statute -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the following persons had become members of the Council in the manner and for the periods mentioned:

(i) Elected by the Senate -

   Senator John Grey Gorton, M.A. (Oxon)
   Senator Dorothy Margaret Tangney, B.A., Dip. Ed. (W.A.) for two years

(ii) Elected by
(ii) Elected by the House of Representatives -

Kim Edward Beazley, B.A. (W.A.), M.P. for two years

Donald Alastair Cameron, O.B.E., B.A., M.B., B.S. (Syd.), M.P.

(iii) Appointed by the Governor-General -

Allen Stanley Brown, M.A., LL.M. (Melb.)

Edgar Rowland Dawes

Herbert John Goodes, B.A. (W.A.) for two years

Sir Albert Cherbury David Rivett, K.C.M.G., M.A., D.Sc. (Oxon), D.Sc. (Melb.), F.R.S.


(iv) Elected by Convocation -

Roland Wilson, C.B.E., B.Com. (Tas.), D.Phil. (Oxon), Ph.D. (Chicago) for four years

Professor George Alexander Currie, B.Sc.Agr., D.Sc., LL.D. (Aberdeen)

Professor Kenneth Hamilton Bailey, M.A., B.C.L. (Oxon), LL.M. (Melb.)

Professor Roy Douglas Wright, D.Sc., M.B., B.S. (Melb.), F.R.A.C.S., F.R.A.C.P. for two years

Professor Hugh Kingsley Ward, M.C., M.B. (Syd.)

Professor Herbert Burton, B.A. (Qld.), M.A. (Oxon and Melb.)

(v) Member ex officio under University Act -

(vi) Elected by the Staff -

Professor Walter Russell Crocker, B.A. (Adel.), M.A. (Oxon) - for four years

Professor Marcus Laurence Elwin Oliphant, B.Sc. (Adel.), M.A., Ph.D. (Camb.), LL.D. (St. Andrews), D.Sc. (Melb., Toronto, Belfast and Birmingham), F.Inst.P., F.R.S. - for two years

Professor Arnold Hughes Ennor, D.Sc. (Melb.)

The Vice-Chancellor said that by the operation of the Constitution of the Council (Period of Office) Statute which had now received the Governor-General's approval, the term of office of the members mentioned above would date from 1st July, 1951.

(b) Co-option -

The Vice-Chancellor pointed out that section 11, subsection (9), of the University Act made possible the co-option of three additional members of the Council.

After discussion it was resolved that a meeting of the members of the Council entitled to vote on the co-option be summoned for that purpose for the next session of the present meeting.

4. CHANCELLORSHIP:

(a) Election of Chancellor -

After a discussion during which the various forms of Chancellorship were mentioned it was unanimously resolved that the Council ask the Vice-Chancellor and Chairman to consult with Council members not present, and if in their judgment the appointment would meet with the overwhelming support of the Council, to enquire whether Viscount Lord Bruce would be prepared to accept co-option to the Council with a view to becoming the first Chancellor of the University.

(b) Enactment of Statute -

The Vice-Chancellor said that he hoped to submit to the next session of the present meeting a draft statute concerning the Chancellorship prepared in the light of the present discussion.

5. COMMITTEES:

(a) Appointment of Standing Committee of Council -

In pursuance of section 24(1) of the University Act it was resolved to appoint a Standing Committee of the Council comprising the following members who should hold office until the meeting of the Council to be held in December, 1951: -
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor M.L. Oliphant,
Professor W.R. Crocker,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Dr. Roland Wilson,
Professor H.K. Ward,
Professor R.D. Wright.

It was further resolved that until the Council otherwise directs, the Standing Committee be authorized to perform the functions heretofore performed by the Finance Committee, the Buildings and Grounds Committee and the Houses and Tenancies Committee of the Interim Council, and to take action on the Council's behalf in such of these matters as are, in the opinion of the Vice-Chancellor, urgent or formal.

(b) Appointment of Other Committees -

It was resolved that the Standing Committee be asked to submit, when the Council next meets, recommendations for the appointment, including suggestions as to personnel and functions, of such committees of the Council as it considers desirable, and to recommend its own terms of reference.

6. ACTING VICE-CHANCELLOR'S REPORT :

The following report of action taken by the Acting Vice-Chancellor during the month of June, 1951, was submitted and received :-

(a) Membership of Convocation -

Mr. Menzies and Mr. Dedman had accepted special membership of Convocation. The late Mr. Chifley accepted membership a few days before his death.

(b) Staff matters -

(i) With Professor Oliphant's concurrence, the commencing date of Professor Jaeger's assumption of the Chair of Geophysics had been fixed as 1st January, 1952.

(ii) Following consultation between the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Weare and Professor Swan, the Senior Research Fellowship in Economic History had been offered to Mr. N.G. Butlin at a commencing salary of £1,250 per annum from a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

(c) Seal -

Since the last meeting of the Interim Council, the University Seal had been affixed to the following documents :-

20th June - Superannuation Policy Proposal - C.P. FitzGerald - A.M.P.

20th June - Constitution of Council (Period of Office) Statute (two copies).
27th June - Assignment of superannuation policies to The Australian National University by M.L. Oliphant.

27th June - Contract of sale and purchase, Block 1, Section 54, Griffith (two copies).

7. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES:

(a) Meeting of 6th July, 1951 -

A report of the proceedings at the meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies held on 6th July, 1951 (346/1951) was received and noted.

The Council resolved to thank the Board for its expression of welcome to the Council on the occasion of its assumption of office.

(b) Meeting of 12th July, 1951: Chair of Statistics -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Board of Graduate Studies at a meeting on 12th July, 1951, had given further consideration to the establishment of a Chair of Statistics. He said that while in England during the last few weeks he had been able to satisfy himself that the doubts previously entertained by some members of the Academic Advisory Committee about the Chair had been removed and he had been able to have extended discussions with Dr. P.A. Moran whose name had been under consideration in connection with the proposed Chair of Statistics for some considerable time.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Board of Graduate Studies now wished to recommend -

(i) that the Council adopt the Board's advice that a Chair of Statistics should be created in the Research School of Social Sciences;

(ii) that Dr. P.A. Moran be invited to occupy the Chair on the conditions approved for the appointment of Professors and at the basic professorial salary of £2,250.

It was resolved to adopt these recommendations of the Board of Graduate Studies.

8. ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

The minutes of the 24th meeting of the Academic Advisory Committee held on 8th and 9th June, 1951, were submitted.

It was resolved that the proceedings of the Committee be noted and that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to bring before the Board of Graduate Studies item 7 and items 9 to 23 of the Committee's minutes.
9. HONORARY DEGREES:

It was resolved to ask the Board of Graduate Studies to make a recommendation as to the steps which should be taken to enable the University to confer honorary degrees.

10. TRAVELLING EXPENSES OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:

It was resolved to refer to the Standing Committee of the Council the matter of the scale of travelling allowance paid to members of the Council.

11. FUTURE COUNCIL MEETINGS:

It was resolved that the present meeting stand adjourned until 10th August, 1951, and that the Standing Committee of the Council be asked to consider and recommend upon the frequency of Council meetings.

The meeting closed at 3.20 p.m.
The first meeting of the Council, adjourned from 13th July, 1951, was resumed in the Council room on Friday, 10th August, 1951, at 10 a.m.

Present: The Vice-Chancellor, Professor K.H. Bailey, Mr. K.E. Beazley, Mr. A.S. Brown, Dr. D.A. Cameron, Professor W.R. Crocker, Professor A.H. Ennor, Professor M.L. Oliphant, Senator D.M. Tangney, Professor H.K. Ward, Major-General W.J.V. Windeyer, Professor R.D. Wright.

The Registrar and his Assistant and Mr. R.L. Matthews were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Professor H. Burton, Professor G.A. Currie, Mr. E.R. Dawes, Senator J.G. Gorton, Sir David Rivett and Dr. Roland Wilson.

1. CHAIRMANSHIP:

It was resolved that Professor Bailey be elected to the Chair for the present session of the meeting.

2. WELCOME TO MAJOR-GENERAL WINDEYER:

The Chairman extended a welcome to Major-General Windeyer, who was attending his first meeting as a member of the Council.

3. MINUTES:

The minutes of the first session of the present meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were received.

(At this stage the meeting was adjourned and a meeting was held of the Councillors entitled to vote on the co-option of members of the Council.)

4. CO-OPTIONS:

The Chairman reported that at the meeting mentioned above, Viscount Bruce of Melbourne, Professor R.C. Mills and Dr. H.C. Coombs had been co-opted as members of the Council and that provision had been made for their term of office to expire on 30th June, 1953.

5. CHANCELLORSHIP:

On the motion of Mr. Beazley, seconded by Professor Ennor, it was unanimously resolved that Lord Bruce, who had indicated his willingness to act, be elected Chancellor of the University.
6. **VICE-CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**:

The following report of actions taken by the Vice-Chancellor was submitted and noted:

(a) **Research School of Social Sciences**

In consultation with Professor Swan and the University of Sydney, the Vice-Chancellor had fixed 1st August, 1951, as the day on which Mr. N.G. Butlin, Senior Research Fellow in Economic History, would take up duty with the University.

(b) **Visiting Scholars**

**Sir Edward and Lady Mellanby**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had revised the basis on which fee and allowances would be paid to Sir Edward and Lady Mellanby in the following manner:

- **Fares**: The University to pay the return fares from the United Kingdom for Sir Edward Mellanby. The University to meet the cost of internal travel in Australia for both Sir Edward and Lady Mellanby.

- **Fee**: Payable at the rate of £2,000 per annum, for the duration of the visit.

- **Travelling Allowance**: Payable for the period spent in Australia at the rate of £2.12.6 per diem for Sir Edward Mellanby and £1.10.0 per diem for Lady Mellanby.

(c) **University Seal**

Since the last meeting of Council the University seal had been affixed to the following documents:

- 23rd July - Common Seal Statute (two copies).

7. **STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL - REPORT**:

The minutes of the first three meetings of the Standing Committee of the Council, held respectively on 13th July, 27th July and 9th August, were submitted.

It was resolved that the proceedings of the meeting of 13th July be noted.

As regards the minutes of the meeting of 27th July it was resolved that the following action be taken:
Item 4 - Chancellorship Statute

The proposed statute (draft copy attached) to be approved in principle and referred to the Council's advisers on legislation, when appointed, with an indication of the Council's view that the Chancellor's period of office should normally expire on 30th June.

Item 5(b)(i) - Appointment of Committees

Following subsequent recommendations of the Standing Committee, the name of the Staff and Establishments Committee to be changed to the Status and Promotion Committee; and a Houses and Tenancies Committee to be added to the committees whose appointment was recommended.

Item 6 - Frequency of Council Meetings

It was pointed out that under the Standing Committee's recommendation the next meeting of the Council would take place on 12th October.

With the qualifications mentioned, it was resolved that the minutes of the Standing Committee's meeting of 27th July be received and the Committee's recommendations adopted.

As regards the minutes of the Standing Committee's meeting of 9th August, it was resolved that the following action be taken:-

Item 4(e) - Terms of Reference of Standing Committee

It was agreed that the resolution proposed by the Standing Committee be approved in principle; that the Standing Committee be authorized to proceed accordingly until the next meeting of the Council; and that the form of the proposed resolution be referred to the advisory body on legislation, when appointed, for report.

Item 4(b) - Appointment of Other Committees

(i) Finance Committee

It was resolved that the following members be appointed to the Finance Committee:-

The person elected to be Chairman of the Council in the absence of the Chancellor (Chairman),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. K.E. Beazley,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Dr. H.C. Coombs,
Professor W.R. Crocker,
Mr. H.J. Goodes,
Professor R.D. Wright.

A discussion took place in the course of which Professor Bailey expressed the view that, as a matter of law and without further statutory authority, the Council did not have power to appoint to membership of its committees persons not members of the Council, though Section 25 of the University Act could
be read as extending the Council's authority to cover the appointment to committees of officers of the University staff as well. After considering this view the Council resolved to appoint the persons named in the following lists to advise the Council on the matters mentioned:

(A) Buildings and Grounds -

The Vice-Chancellor (Chairman),
Dr. D.A. Cameron,
Professor A.H. Ennor,
Senator J.G. Gorton,
Mr. W.A. McLaren,
Professor M.L. Oliphant,
Mr. L.D. Pryor,
Mr. Grenfell Rudduck,
Professor O.H.K. Spate,
Mr. R.M. Taylor,
Mr. L.C. Webb.

(B) Status and Promotions -

The Vice-Chancellor (Chairman),
The Directors,
The Advisers, or in their absence the Chairman of Faculties,
Mr. H.J. Goodes,
Professor H.K. Ward,
One representative of the Board of Graduate Studies.

(C) Legislation -

Professor K.H. Bailey (Chairman),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. Maurice Brown,
Sir Robert Garran,
Professor G. Sawer,
Mr. H.F.E. Whitlam,
Dr. Roland Wilson.

(D) University House -

Professor R. v.d.R. Woolley (Chairman),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor K.H. Bailey,
Professor W.R. Crocker,
Professor J.W. Davidson,
Mr. C.P. FitzGerald,
Mr. H.J. Goodes,
Mr. W.S. Hamilton,
Professor M.L. Oliphant,
Dr. W.E.H. Stanner,
Senator D.M. Tangney.

(E) Houses and Tenancies -

The Vice-Chancellor (Chairman),
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Professor H. Burton,
Professor A.H. Ennor,
Mr. H.J. Goodes,
Professor T.W. Swan,
Professor E.W. Titterton.

/ The Vice-Chancellor
The Vice-Chancellor agreed to present to the Standing Committee a recommendation as to the functions to be performed by these committees and said that the statement would make it clear that the committees other than the Finance Committee would be advisory bodies only.

With the qualifications mentioned it was resolved that the minutes of the Standing Committee's meeting of 9th August be received and the Committee's recommendations adopted.

8. CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE COUNCIL:

It was resolved that Professor Mills be elected to preside at meetings of the Council from which the Chancellor is absent; and that the title to be given to this office should be discussed at the next meeting following consultation between the Vice-Chancellor and Professor Bailey.

9. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES - REPORT:

A report of the meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies held on 28th July, 1951 (386/1951) was submitted and it was resolved that the following actions be taken:

- **Item 2 - Examination and Degree Fees** -
  
  The Board's opinion to be noted and reported for information to the Academic Advisory Committee.

- **Item 3 - Chair of Social Philosophy** -
  
  There was considerable discussion on the Board's proposal that the name of the Chair be changed to the Chair of Philosophy and the implications of such a change on the type of occupant to be sought for the Chair. The Vice-Chancellor agreed to discuss this matter further with the Board of Graduate Studies and to inform the Board that when the Board was ready to submit a further recommendation concerning the naming and filling of the Chair the Council would appreciate the submission of a document explaining the Board's recommendations.

- **Item 4 - Honorary Degrees** -
  
  It was resolved that the draft Rule recommended by the Board be generally approved and that its terms be referred to the Council's advisers on legislation for report.

- **Item 5(a) - Scholarships - Further Awards in 1951** -
  
  The Board's proposal for the award of two further scholarships in the present year was mentioned.

- **Item 11 - Jubilee Science Seminar** -
  
  The Vice-Chancellor referred to the conspicuous success of the recent Jubilee Seminar on "Science in Australia" and to the energy and imagination with which Professor Oliphant had arranged the meeting.

/With the qualifications:
With the qualifications mentioned it was resolved that the report of the Board's meeting of 9th August be received and the recommendations made therein adopted.

10. INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION :: MEMBERSHIP

It was resolved that this matter be referred to the Standing Committee of the Council.

The meeting closed at 12.45 p.m.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

COUNCIL

The second meeting of the Council was held in the Council room on Friday, 12th October, 1951, at 10 a.m.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (in the Chair), The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Bailey, Mr. Beazley, Professor Burton, Dr. Cameron, Dr. Goombs, Professor Crocker, Mr. Dawes, Professor Emmor, Sir David Rivett, Senator Tangney, Professor Ward, Major-General Windeyer, Professor Wright.

Professor Wheree and Professor Firth were present by invitation for part of the meeting.

The Registrar, the Assistant to the Registrar and Mr. R.L. Mathews were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Professor Currie, Mr. Goodes and Professor Oliphant.

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the first meeting of the Council, held on 13th July and 10th August, 1951, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL:

The minutes (516/1951) of the Standing Committee's meeting of 26th September, 1951, and the documents referred to therein, were before the Council.

During the consideration of the report, the following matters were mentioned and decisions made:


Status and Promotions. The Council expressed the view that in general appointments to vacant and new positions should be made only after advertisement, and it was resolved to ask the Standing Committee to prepare a resolution on this matter for the Council's consideration.

University House. The Council decided to adopt in general the views expressed by the Advisers as to the position of Head of University House, the view being expressed that his status and salary should be up to those of a Director.
Legislation - Chancellorship. After considering the draft Chancellorship Statute as presented by the Standing Committee (see Standing Committee minutes 26/9/51, item 4) it was resolved -

(a) to amend section 1 of the draft Statute to provide that the maximum term of office of the Chancellor should be four years, and to make it clear that a Chancellor should be eligible for re-election; and

(b) to approve the Statute, as amended, for transmission to the Governor-General, subject to further review as to form by the Council's Advisers on Legislation.

At this stage the meeting of the Council adjourned, and a meeting of persons qualified to vote on matters of co-option, which had been summoned for that purpose, took place. The Council resuming, it was reported that the meeting referred to had resolved to extend the co-option of Lord Bruce as a member of the Council until 31st July, 1955. The Council thereupon resolved to invite Lord Bruce to accept the office of Chancellor up to 31st July, 1955.

Board of Graduate Studies. Items 3. Chair of Social Philosophy of the report of the meeting of 1st September, 1951, and 2. Study Leave for Fellows of the report of the meeting of 7th September, 1951, (494/1951) were mentioned.

Subject to the qualifications mentioned, it was resolved to note the decisions and adopt the recommendations of the Standing Committee.

3. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES - REPORT:

A report of the Board's meeting of 26th September, 1951 (524/1951) was before the Council. It was resolved that the following action be taken:

Item 3(b). Status of Readers -

The Board had recommended that the following report of a Committee of Advisers be adopted, it being understood that the last paragraph applied only to new appointments:

"The Committee considered carefully the views which had previously been put before the Board and discussed the status of Readers in other Universities. It reviewed the manner of appointment of Readers, the present salary arrangements for Readers and Professors, and the differing responsibilities of Readers.

The Committee was satisfied that appointments already made and the machinery for future appointments left no ground for concern; it took the view that there should be one salary range for Readers and that the 'efficiency' bar should be dropped. The Committee proposes that Readers be accorded a salary range of
£1,500 - 1,750 (plus cost of living adjustment) which in the opinion of the Committee would satisfactorily represent their status in relation to Professors and would permit the desired standard of recruitment to be maintained.

It was agreed that a Reader's commencing salary should be a matter of recommendation from the Director to the Vice-Chancellor."

The Council resolved to adopt this Report subject to the last paragraph being amended as follows:-

"It was agreed that a Reader's commencing salary should be determined by the Vice-Chancellor after consultation with the Director."

Item 7. Chancellorship : Honorary Degrees -

It was resolved to adopt the Board's recommendation that, on the occasion of the installation of the Chancellor, the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws be conferred upon Sir Robert Garran and upon the Chancellor, as persons distinguished by eminent public service.

4. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

A report of the meeting of the Council's Advisers on Buildings and Grounds, held on 4th October, 1951 (536/1951) was submitted.

3(a) Temporary Building for Departments of the Medical School -

The Vice-Chancellor explained that there was provision in the estimates now before Parliament for the commencement of the main buildings of the Medical School. This year it was proposed to complete the preparation of the site and build the medical workshop and the animal house. But it was desired to enable most of the Departments of the Medical School to work together in Canberra as soon as possible, and with this in mind Sir Howard Florey and the Professors of the John Curtin School of Medical Research had suggested the construction of two temporary laboratories for the Departments of Microbiology and Biochemistry so fitted that the fittings could be used in the permanent medical buildings.

After some discussion regarding the possibility of using parts of the permanent Medical School building as temporary laboratories for the Departments of Biochemistry and Microbiology, it was resolved to accept the recommendation of the Advisers that temporary buildings costing approximately £25,000 (unfitted) be erected near the temporary administrative buildings on the site. It was understood that most of the fittings, which would cost another £8,000 - £9,000, could be used in the permanent buildings; and that the temporary buildings could be used profitably after the transfer of the medical Departments to their permanent laboratories.
5. FUTURE OF THE ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that after discussions with himself the members of the Academic Advisory Committee had suggested that there was now no need for regular meetings of the Committee, and had recommended that the activities of the Committee be suspended. The Vice-Chancellor said that members of the Committee would be kept in touch with University developments through individual contacts with the Registrar and the Administrative Officer in the United Kingdom, and that Council would still be able to obtain the advice of members of the Committee on particular issues as they arose. It was resolved that these suggestions be approved.

6. INSTALLATION OF CHANCELLOR:

The Vice-Chancellor explained that arrangements for the installation of the Chancellor, on 6th or 7th December, 1951, would soon have to be put in train. Decisions were needed regarding the venue of the ceremony, invitations to be issued, academic dress, precedence, procedures, etc.

It was resolved that the installation ceremony should be held in the open air on the University site, and that provision should be made for the ceremony to be transferred to the Albert Hall in the event of inclement weather. It was further resolved that the Vice-Chancellor, Professor W.R. Crocker and Professor H. Burton should form a Committee on academic dress, and that other arrangements be left for the decision of the Standing Committee of Council.

7. PURCHASING OF SUPPLIES:

The Registrar explained that a procedure for the purchasing of supplies had been worked out by the administrative staff in consultation with the Directors and Advisers, and seemed to be working well. It was now desirable to confirm the procedure by a formal resolution.

Having in mind (i) existing practices in other Australian and United Kingdom Universities, as well as (ii) the need to facilitate and afford the greatest individual freedom to research workers in the selection of materials and equipment for research, and (iii) the desirability of preserving some uniformity in conditions of accommodation and comforts throughout the University, the Council resolved as follows:

(1) That the Vice-Chancellor administer the financial arrangements of the University within the limit of funds made available by the Council and in accordance with the approved estimates, except that he shall have authority, in an urgent situation, to incur expenditure not exceeding one thousand pounds in any one case which is not in accordance with approved estimates.

(2) That the Directors of Research Schools (and until Directors are appointed, the Vice-Chancellor acting on the advice of an Adviser or appropriate Professor) be empowered to authorise the purchase of materials and equipment for their Schools, within the estimates of expenditure approved by the Council.
That the Vice-Chancellor supervise requests for the purchase of furnishings and office equipment and such other items of service or equipment as he may regard necessary to ensure that members of staff have reasonably similar conditions to work in.

That the facilities of the University purchasing office be used for placing orders, except by the John Curtin School of Medical Research and the Research School of Physical Sciences, whose Directors are authorised to place orders direct on suppliers for materials and equipment as well as being free to use the University's purchasing office.

That the following conditions apply to ordering by the John Curtin School of Medical Research and the Research School of Physical Sciences:

(a) That where orders are placed directly it be the responsibility of the Director in each case to ensure that each purchase is made to the best advantage.

(b) That where orders are placed directly it be the responsibility of the Director to ensure that the appropriate arrangements are concluded with regard to all such matters as:

(i) Sales Tax, excise and customs duty, exemption where appropriate,

(ii) Import Licence procedure where necessary,

(iii) Customs procedure,

(iv) Checking invoices, particularly with regard to discounts.

(c) That where orders are placed directly, the University Accountant be advised in suitable manner of the nature of the purchase, name of supplier, estimated cost (with details of any quotation and arrangement for discount) and such other information as the co-ordinating committee may require.

(d) That in view of the fact that the University's financial commitment in equipping the two Schools initially is of such magnitude, the Property and Purchasing Officer, the Accountant and the Laboratory Managers of the John Curtin School of Medical Research and the Research School of Physical Sciences form a co-ordinating Committee.

(e) That orders which will necessitate the provision of "hard" currency must first be referred to the Vice-Chancellor.
(6) That for reasons of policy, materials and equipment be obtained from Australian manufacturers and agents where it is obtainable under satisfactory conditions of quality, price and delivery dates.

(7) (a) That special serially numbered forms, approved by the Vice-Chancellor, be used for every order and that those having custody of supplies of unused forms be responsible for them as accountable stores.

(b) That requisitions on the University purchasing office be in such form as the Vice-Chancellor prescribes.

(8) That orders be signed personally by the Director or by his nominee, the Vice-Chancellor to be advised of and to approve all such nominations.

(9) All goods received by the University will be checked, recorded, and marked in accordance with such procedure as may be laid down by the Vice-Chancellor after consultation with the Director.

(10) The University purchasing office will operate a store to maintain such stocks of items in common use as the Vice-Chancellor, having in mind the requirements of the several sections of the University and the funds available for the purpose, lays down.

8. NEXT MEETING:

It was resolved that the next meeting be held on 7th December, 1951.

The meeting closed at 3 p.m.
The third meeting of the Council was held in the
Council Room on Friday, 7th December, 1951, at 10.30 a.m.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (in the Chair),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor Bailey,
Professor Burton,
Professor Crocker,
Dr. Currie,
Mr. Dawes,
Professor Ennor,
Professor Oliphant,
Sir David Rivett,
Senator Tangney,
Professor Ward,
Major General Windeyer,
Professor Wright.

The Registrar and his Assistant were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. Beazley,
Mr. A.S. Brown, Dr. Cameron and Dr. Coombs.

1. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 12th
October, 1951 (541/1951), copies of which had been circulated,
were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. STANDING COMMITTEE:

The Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee
held on 9th November, 1951 (599/1951), were received. During
discussion of these minutes the following matters were specifically
mentioned and decisions taken as follows:-

Status and Promotions. The Council discussed the resolution
recorded by the Standing Committee concerning the advertise-
ment of vacant and new positions on the University staff.
Sir David Rivett moved, as an alternative to adopting the
Committee's resolution, the following motion: "That in
making any appointment to a new or vacant position the
Council should ensure, to the best of its ability, that
all potential candidates are aware of its intention. This
may be effected by advertisement in appropriate journals
or by other means but the Council should make it clear
that it does not bind itself to appoint one of the
resulting candidates if, in its opinion, a more suitable
person is available, in which case appointment will be by
direct invitation".

It was resolved that this matter be
referred to the Standing Committee for further consider-
ation in the light of present discussion and of Sir
David Rivett's motion.

/Royal Visit, 1952.
Royal Visit, 1952. The Vice-Chancellor said that the previous plan to hold a small conference of leading Australian scientists on the occasion of the visit of His Royal Highness to the University on 21st April, 1952, had, following discussions with the Royal Tour organizers, been varied. The Vice-Chancellor had now proposed that the Duke's visit should be made the occasion of an exchange of greetings between the British Association of which His Royal Highness is President and the Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science. If this proposal were adopted past and present Presidents of ANZAAS would be invited to Canberra; the ceremony would also include the leading scientific scholars working in Canberra. The formal proceedings would be followed by an inspection of the Physics laboratories and perhaps other parts of the University.

Assistance for purchasing and building houses. The Standing Committee's decision on this matter was noted and it was agreed to ask the Standing Committee to continue its investigation and to submit a document to the Council outlining the scheme proposed to assist members of the staff to buy or build houses in Canberra. With the qualifications mentioned, it was resolved that the Standing Committee's recommendations be adopted.

3. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The Minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 9th November, 1951 (621/1951) were received. It was noted that the Standing Committee, at its last meeting, had dealt with only items 8, 9 and 10 of these minutes.

The Council considered the remaining items of the Finance Committee's minutes and resolved that the Committee's recommendations be adopted.

4. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES:

The report of the meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies held on 21st November, 1951 (619/1951) was received and the following action taken:

(a) Functions of Directors. Noted.

(b) International Universities Association. The Council adopted the Board's advice that the University become a member of the Association and that Professor Davidson and the Registrar should act as Correspondent and Deputy Correspondent in matters related to the Association's activities.

(c) Proposal for "Research Associates of the University". The Council adopted the Board's resolution and resolved that the following amendment of Statute be approved:

'Statute No. 3

Convocation Statute

First Amendment

Section 1. In paragraph (a), after "Readers" insert "Research Associates."

(d) Terms and the Academic Year. The Council adopted the submission made by the Board concerning terms and vacations and principal dates for 1952.
(e) **Department of Anthropology.** The Council noted that the Board was discussing a possible change in the name of the Department of Anthropology.

(f) **Readership in Demography.** The Council adopted the Board's advice that steps be taken to make an appointment to a Readership in Demography and asked the Vice-Chancellor to act on its behalf in the appointment of an Electoral Board.

(g) **Department of Microbiology - Senior Research Fellowship.** It was resolved to appoint Dr. S. Fazekas de St. Groth Senior Research Fellow in the Department of Microbiology as from 1st January, 1952, at the basic salary for a Senior Research Fellow.

(h) **Scholarship matters.** Noted. It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor to award scholarships for 1952 on receiving advice from or on behalf of the Board of Graduate Studies.

(i) **Research Fellowships.** The Board had recommended the following appointments to Research Fellowships in the Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies and had indicated that further appointments would be recommended in due course:

- **Economics:** Dr. A.R. Hall, Mr. D.W. Oxnam (one year only)
- **Political Science:** Dr. W.K. Rolph.
- **Demography:** Mr. C.A. Price, Dr. N.R. McArthur.
- **History:** Dr. R. Gollan.
- **Anthropology:** Mr. R. Penny.
- **Geography:** Mr. T. Langford-Smith (or if he should fail to accept appointment, Mr. H.W. King).
- **International Relations:** Mr. G.R. Storry (subject to a favourable report from his supervisor at Oxford).

The Registrar said that Mr. Langford-Smith had now declined appointment and that no report was yet available on Mr. Storry's work.

It was resolved that the recommendations of the Board be adopted, and that the Vice-Chancellor be empowered to fix the details of the appointments, including the salary to be paid initially, and to make additional appointments on further recommendation by the Board.

With the qualifications mentioned it was resolved that the report of the Board of Graduate Studies be adopted.

---

5. **HOUSES AND TENANCIES:**
5. HOUSES AND TENANCIES:

The report of the meeting of the Council's Advisers on Houses and Tenancies held on 6th December, 1951 (638/1951) was received and the Advisers' actions approved. In discussion of item 4, Desirability of Procuring Furnished Dwellings, it was agreed that furnished quarters should only be provided for short-term members of the staff and then only in cases of special difficulty.

6. DIRECTORS FOR SOCIAL SCIENCES AND PACIFIC STUDIES SCHOOLS:

The Vice-Chancellor recalled that in 1948 the Interim Council had invited Professor Firth to accept the Directorship of the Research School of Pacific Studies. Professor Firth had then found it necessary to decline the invitation, but at the Interim Council's request had continued to act as Adviser to the School, as he had done since the University's inception. He was now spending an extended period as acting Director. The Vice-Chancellor said that he wished to recommend the Council to renew the invitation to Professor Firth to accept the Directorship of the Research School of Pacific Studies.

The Vice-Chancellor's motion was seconded by Professor Wright and unanimously agreed to, the Council expressing the hope that Professor Firth would find himself able to reply to the invitation by the time of the Standing Committee's first meeting in 1952.

As to the Research School of Social Sciences, the Vice-Chancellor said that there was as yet no Director in sight, Professor Wheare having always made it clear that he should not be regarded as a prospective Director.

The Vice-Chancellor had recently discussed with Professor Wheare his position in relation to the School and now recommended that in accordance with Professor Wheare's own wishes he should, from 1st January 1952, act as a Consultant on the School's affairs at a fee of one hundred guineas sterling per annum. This would mean that Professor Wheare would have access to documents and be available for consultation concerning the School's affairs.

It was resolved that Professor Wheare be asked to act in this way.

7. INSTALLATION OF CHANCELLOR:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Chancellor now hoped to be able to visit Australia in March, 1952, and that he had suggested to the Chancellor that the Installation might take place on 28th March. The Vice-Chancellor also referred to the very enthusiastic responses which had come from Universities throughout the world to the invitations issued in connection with the Installation of Lord Bruce as the University's first Chancellor.

8. LEGISLATION:

Deferred.

9. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

The Minutes of the meeting of the Council's Advisers on Buildings and Grounds held on 21st November, 1951 (639/1951) were received and the Advisers recommendations adopted.
The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Advisers held on 7th December, 1951, (640/1951) were received. At that meeting the Advisers had discussed the procurement of suitable land for the development of the Animal Breeding Establishment of the John Curtin School of Medical Research. The Council discussed this question generally and decided to refer it back to the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds with a suggestion that the Committee ask Professors Ennor and Fenner, Mr. Whitten, Mr. Pryor, The Registrar and the Accountant to examine the problem in detail and recommend the best method of procedure. Council further asked that the Vice-Chancellor should act on its behalf if any decisions were required before the next meeting of the Standing Committee.

10. HONORARY DEGREE - SIR ROBERT GARRAN:

On the motion of Professor Wright it was unanimously resolved to empower the Deputy Chairman, Professor R.C. Mills, to confer the honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws on Sir Robert Garran at the close of the present meeting.

It was decided to consider further the procedure to be adopted on the conferring of degrees.

11. PROFESSOR OLIPHANT - HONORARY DEGREE:

The Council noted with pleasure that it was the intention of the New South Wales University of Technology to confer an Honorary Degree upon Professor Oliphant at a forthcoming ceremony.

12. APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT REGISTRARS - MR. M. BROWN AND MR. E.H. CLARK:

It was resolved to appoint Mr. Maurice Brown and Mr. E.H. Clark as Assistant Registrars to the University as from 1st January, 1952.

13. ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS - JANUARY 1952:

The Registrar asked that he have leave of absence from 6th to 31st January, 1952. It was resolved that leave be granted and that Mr. Maurice Brown be appointed Acting Registrar for the period mentioned.

...
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

COUNCIL

The fourth meeting of the Council was held in the Council Room on Monday, 28th April, 1952, at 10.30 a.m.

Present: Professor Mills (in the Chair),
          The Vice-Chancellor,
          Professor Bailey,
          Professor Burton,
          Dr. Coombs,
          Mr. Goodes,
          Professor Oliphant,
          Sir David Rivett,
          Professor Ward,
          Dr. Wilson,
          Professor Wright.

The Registrar, the Acting Assistant Registrar (Mr. W.S. Hamilton) and the Graduate Assistant (Mr. K. Long) were in attendance.

Apologies were received from Mr. A.S. Brown, Professor Crocker, Mr. Dawes and Major-General Windeyer.

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 7th December, 1951 (61/7/1951), copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read, and confirmed.

2. MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL:

(a) Dr. G.A. Currie -

Council had before it a letter of resignation from Dr. Currie who has been appointed Vice-Chancellor of the University of New Zealand. Council accepted the resignation with regret and recorded its appreciation of Dr. Currie's services and assistance to the University both as a member of Council and in his capacity as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Western Australia.

(b) Professor W.R. Crocker -

Council also received a letter from Professor Crocker submitting his resignation from the Council in view of his impending departure for India and absence from Canberra for two years to take up the position of High Commissioner for Australia in India.

Professor Crocker's resignation was accepted.

(c) Professor A.H. Ennor -

It was resolved to grant leave of absence from Council to Professor A.H. Ennor for the period April to October, 1952, during his absence from Australia on study leave.
(a) **Elections**

(i) **Vacancies arising out of Resignations**

It was resolved that elections be held to fill the vacancies caused by the resignations of Dr. Currie (who had been elected by Convocation) and Professor Crocker (who had been elected by the staff) and that the Standing Committee be empowered to settle the rolls of electors.

(ii) **Additional Member**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the number of Convocation members now entitled that body to an additional representative on the Council.

It was decided (subject to advice on the legal position from Professor Bailey) that the election of the additional representative of Convocation take place at the general elections of mid-1953.

(iii) **Student Representatives**

It was resolved that an election of student representatives be held and that the Standing Committee be empowered to settle the roll of electors.

3. **INSTALLATION OF THE CHANCELLOR**:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Chancellor had written saying that he would be arriving in Australia by ship on 20th October, 1952. The Vice-Chancellor accordingly proposed that the installation ceremony be held on 23rd October and Council meet on the following day (instead of 17th October). Professor Burton pointed out that this date would conflict with the proposed meeting of the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee. The Vice-Chancellor was aware of this complication.

In view of a possible clash with a proposed meeting of the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee it was resolved to leave the fixing of a date in the Vice-Chancellor's hands.

4. **APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS**:

(a) **Research School of Pacific Studies**

Council had before it a letter from Professor Firth regretfully declining appointment as Director of the Research School of Pacific Studies. Professor Firth undertook to continue as Acting Director of the School for the remainder of the twelve months he was spending with the University.

The Vice-Chancellor said that whilst the appointment of Directors was a matter reserved to Council (for which reason there had been no previous formal notification of Professor Firth's decision), the filling of the position was a matter of urgency and he had asked the Standing Committee to nominate a sub-committee to advise him informally.
It was resolved to confirm the appointment of the advisory committee consisting of the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oliphant, Professor Wright and Dr. Wilson, with the addition of Professor Bailey and one member of staff to be nominated by the Board of Graduate Studies to formulate a recommendation to Council on the Directorship.

The Vice-Chancellor added that he would keep Sir Howard Florey informed of his discussions with the Committee.

(b) Research School of Social Sciences -

The Vice-Chancellor, having previously consulted the informal advisory committee mentioned above and Departmental Heads of the Research School of Social Sciences, proposed that an invitation be issued to Mr. Leslie Galfried Melville to accept appointment as Director of the Research School of Social Sciences.

In view of the fact that notice of the proposal had not been clearly given on the agenda, it was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be requested to inform absent members that the meeting was in favour of the issue of an invitation to Mr. Melville to become Director of the Research School of Social Sciences and that if any such member felt strongly that the matter needed further discussion by Council he should request the Vice-Chancellor within seven days to call a special meeting of Council. In the event of no such request being received the Vice-Chancellor was authorized to issue the invitation to Mr. Melville.

5. VISITS OF COUNCIL TO THE RESEARCH SCHOOLS:

The Vice-Chancellor said that Dr. Coombs had suggested that Council should have time after its meetings to visit the Schools and Library to meet members of staff and discuss School activities informally. Council agreed to the proposal and directed that agenda papers should outline the arrangements made for each meeting.

It was decided to visit the University Library that day.

6. STANDING COMMITTEE:

(a) Meeting held on 29th February, 1952 -

(i) Minutes -

The minutes of the abovementioned meeting (72/1952) were received. During discussion on these minutes the following decisions of the Standing Committee were specifically noted: -

Paragraph 8(a), Scholarship Emoluments,
Paragraph 8(b), Loans to Scholars for Insurance and Superannuation Maintenance,
Paragraph 10, Assistance for building houses, and
Paragraph 13, Sydney University Centenary Celebrations.

/(ii) Paragraph 2,
(ii) Paragraph 9, Status and Promotions - Advertisement -

It was resolved to adopt the Committee's recommendation that the following working rules be applied, in association with the Council's policy decision at its previous meeting (see minutes, 3rd meeting, paragraph 9):-

(A) that, in general, appointments to new or vacant positions on the staff should be advertised;

(B) that the offices of Vice-Chancellor and Director should not be advertised;

(C) that when an appointment to a Professorship or Readership is about to be considered, that fact should be notified in general terms among people likely to be interested;

(D) that in the case of appointments of Professors and Readers the University should make it clear that it reserves the right to make an appointment by invitation in any case where the Electoral Board or, in the case of more junior positions, the Advisers on Status and Promotions are satisfied that that is the wisest course;

(E) that in the case of most University appointments it will be more advantageous to advertise in the learned journals and through the Universities than in the daily press.

(iii) Paragraph 14 - Professor W.R. Crocker -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that a letter had been received from the Minister for External Affairs requesting that Professor Crocker be seconded to that Department for two years as High Commissioner for Australia at Delhi. The Vice-Chancellor said that this request should have been received by Council but as no meeting was impending he consulted informally members of the Standing Committee, and had agreed to the Minister's request as a special case in view of Professor Crocker's own wishes and field of academic interest, and not as a precedent.
The Vice-Chancellor said he acted in this way for, whilst he felt that the University should be prepared to make available readily to the Government the services of staff who were willing to assist in consultation for short periods, it should not contemplate long absences or frequent requests in the initial stages of its development.

(b) Meeting held on 28th March, 1952

Minutes of the meeting held on 28th March, 1952 (134/1952) were received.

7. LIAISON WITH COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANIZATION:

It was resolved that the Standing Committee be asked to examine a suggestion that consultations be arranged between members of the University and the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization to study directions and ways in which the two bodies may be of maximum mutual support to one another in original scientific work.

8. LEGISLATION:

The Minutes of the meeting of the Advisers on Legislation held on 6th December, 1951 (633/1951), were received.

(a) Chancellorship Statute

It was resolved to make the Chancellorship Statute in the following form:

"1. Subject to this Statute the Chancellor shall hold office from the date of his election until 31st July in the fourth year after his election.

2. The Chancellor shall preside at meetings of the Council and on ceremonial occasions at which he is present.

3. The Chancellor may resign his office by notice in writing to the Council delivered to the Registrar.

4. The office of Chancellor shall become vacant if the Chancellor ceases to be a member of the Council.

5. Whenever a Chancellor is elected, and at such other times as are necessary, the Council shall elect one of its members to be Deputy Chairman of the Council. The Deputy Chairman of the Council shall preside at any meeting of the Council at which the Chancellor is not present."

(b) Honorary Degrees

It was resolved that the Advisers' recommendations on the proposed rules governing candidature for honorary degrees be referred to the Board of Graduate Studies for its consideration.
9. **FINANCE COMMITTEE**:

Minutes of the meetings of the Finance Committee held on 20th February, 1952 (47/1952), and 19th March, 1952 (106/1952), were received.

10. **BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES**:

A report of the meeting held on 21st March, 1952 (112/1952), was received.

The Vice-Chancellor drew attention to paragraph 4(g)(iii) in which was recorded a request by Mr. A.S. Brown that a document be prepared indicating the geographical field of interest of members of staff so far appointed to the Research School of Pacific Studies. The Vice-Chancellor said he had prepared a paper which was now tabled before Council (173/1952). The paper was noted, with the direction that it be tabled at the next meeting of the Standing Committee.

11. **ADVISERS ON BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS**:

Minutes of the meetings held on 28th February, 1952 (69/1952) and 20th March, 1952 (125/1952) were received.

Dr. Coombs expressed misgivings as to whether adequate machinery was in operation for watching the progressive development of the use of the site and for keeping the site plan under review. The Vice-Chancellor said that a sub-committee had already been appointed for this purpose and would report to the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds.

12. **ADVISERS ON UNIVERSITY HOUSE**:

Minutes of the meetings held on 26th February, 1952 (66/1952), and on 24th March, 1952 (126/1952), were received. Mention was made of paragraph 3(II) of the meeting held on 26th February in which the Advisers had declined to endorse a suggestion that part of the building be used for School office accommodation.

The Registrar drew attention to the report on University House drawn up by a sub-committee of the Advisers which had been circulated to members of the Council for information. The Registrar said that the report was a basic document setting out the early history of decisions made on University House and he thought it would be of interest and assistance to Council members.

Council endorsed suggestions made by Dr. Coombs to the effect that members of staff who were not residents of University House should make a practice of dining at University House frequently, and by Professor Wright who pointed out that in some instances living quarters would need additional bookshelf provision beyond that provided by the standard furnishing pattern.

13. **ADVISERS ON HOUSES AND TENANCIES**:

Minutes of the meetings held on 1st February, 1952 (61/1952), 28th February (68/1952), and 20th March (113/1952) were received.

Minutes of a meeting held on 24th April, 1952 (172/1952), which had not been examined by the Standing Committee, were tabled, and the Registrar drew attention particularly to paragraph 9 which sought a direction on the application of the rule whereby rentals of University houses were restricted to not more than 15% of the employee's gross salary.

/It was resolved
It was resolved that the minutes be received and transmitted to the Standing Committee for consideration and report, if necessary.

14. OPENING CEREMONIES - RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES AND UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

It was resolved that the formal opening of a part of University House should not be associated with the Chancellor’s installation but deferred until one of his later visits to Canberra.

It was resolved to leave the matter of an opening ceremony for the Physics building with the Vice-Chancellor and Professor Oliphant to decide whether it would be practicable for Sir John Cockcroft to participate.

15. FELLOWSHIP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION:

It was resolved to join with the Australian Universities in jointly supporting for one year a Fellowship at the University of London Institute of Education, hitherto financed by the Imperial Relations Trust.

16. DELEGATES TO A.N.Z.A.A.S., AUGUST, 1952:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had nominated Professors Oliphant and Nadel to be the University’s delegates at the A.N.Z.A.A.S. meeting to be held in Sydney in August, 1952. The report was received.

17. ANNUAL REPORT:

Copies had been circulated of the Interim Council’s draft report for the year 1950 with general information to 30th June, 1951, at which date the Interim Council handed over the control of University affairs to Council.

The report was received.

18. MORRISON ORATION:

The Council resolved to adopt the Vice-Chancellor’s recommendation that the Right Hon. Dr. H.V. Evatt be invited to give the next Morrison Oration.

19. PROPERTY OFFICER:

The Council, having heard complaints regarding the Property Officer’s administration, resolved that the matter be left in the Vice-Chancellor’s hands for action and further report in accordance with Council’s discussion.

20. PROFESSOR M.L. OLIPHANT - VISIT TO THE UNITED KINGDOM:

It was resolved to agree to a request by Professor Oliphant that he should visit the United Kingdom from mid-May to the end of July, 1952, for discussions with Metropolitan Vickers on final details of research equipment being manufactured for his School.
21. PROFESSOR NADEL - VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had granted leave to Professor Nadel to attend an International Symposium on Anthropology sponsored by the Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research which would be held in New York from 9th to 20th June. Professor Nadel's expenses would be met by the Wenner-Gren Foundation.

The report was received.

22. DONATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF CULTURAL RELATIONS WITH SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES:

(a) Danish-Australian Jubilee Fund -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he was about to accept from the Danish Charge d'Affaires in Australia donations totalling £2,100 to be known as the Danish-Australian Jubilee Fund to assist the exchange of scholars and for the development of cultural and scientific relations between the two countries.

(b) Norwegian-Australian Jubilee Cultural Fund -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had also received donations to a Norwegian-Australian Jubilee Cultural Fund to be administered by the University for the development of cultural relations between the two countries. The donations received or promised to date total £652.

Council received these reports with pleasure and authorized the affixation of the seal to the formal documents of acknowledgment.

23. POST OF ASSISTANT REGISTRAR:

The Registrar reported that applications had been called to fill the vacancy in the post of Assistant Registrar caused by the resignation of Mr. Clark.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor and the Registrar should consider the applications and propose an appointment.

24. SEAL:

The Registrar tabled a paper reporting that the Seal had been affixed to the following documents:

July 24th Transfer to Australian National University of A.M.P. Policy V046769 - K.W. Thompson

July 25th Indenture rescinding contract of sale Block 1, Section 5, Griffith (two copies)

October 15th Assignment to Australian National University of superannuation policies - J.W. Davidson

15th Transfer to University of Superannuation Policy - W.R. Crocker

15th Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy - E.H. Clark.
October 15th
Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy - R.L. Mathews

" "
Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation policy - K.S.W. Champion

November 28th
Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation policy - J.C. Eccles

" "
A.M.P. Proposal - J.C. Eccles - Superannuation

December 4th
A.M.P. Proposal - Dr. A.H. Hall - Superannuation

" 7th
Diploma of the Degree of Doctor of Laws
Sir Robert Garran

10th Jan., 1952
Transfer to Australian National University of Crown Lease, H.J. Corey's property

" " "
Lease to Australian National University of Block 13/52 O'Connor A.F. Bunker's block (two copies)

" " "
Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy GA/2330/1 - G. Watson

" " "
Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy GA/2330/2 - G.M. Watson

" " "
Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1096881 - C.S. BeIshaw

" " "
Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1132499 - L.H. Hibbard

" " "
Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1064451 - L.H. Hibbard

" " "
Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1016881 - L.H. Hibbard

" " "
Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 837644 - G. Sawer

" " "
Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1633296 - J. Clemenger

" " "
Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1630065 - J.C. Barker

" " "
Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1644863 - E.B.R. Thomas

/ Transfer to
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy</th>
<th>Name</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>January 10th</td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1624185</td>
<td>E.B.R. Thomas</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1641544</td>
<td>L.N. Short</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1626328</td>
<td>D.J. Brown</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1637737</td>
<td>D.J. Brown</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1626432</td>
<td>A. Albert</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1647257</td>
<td>D.J. Brown</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 885545</td>
<td>D.B. Copland</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 807796B</td>
<td>D.B. Copland</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 807819</td>
<td>D.B. Copland</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 807796A</td>
<td>D.B. Copland</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1629090</td>
<td>M.P. Edwards</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1640762</td>
<td>M.P. Edwards</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1648462</td>
<td>R.L. Mathews</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1633035</td>
<td>R.L. Mathews</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1642085</td>
<td>N. Stockdale</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 8866841</td>
<td>N. Stockdale</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

/ Transfer to
January 10th
Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1634239 - N. Stockdale

Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1637587 - R.H. Leach

Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1648460 - G.M. Woodroofe

Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1629091 - F.J. Fenner

Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1633297 - J.W. Blamey

Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1633135 - W.E.H. Stanner

Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1646400 - J.W. Blamey

Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 886842 - A.H. Ennor

Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1640568 - E.W. Titterton

Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1641785 - D.B. Shenton

Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1630718 - D.B. Shenton

Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 897356 - G. Sawer

Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1634644 - R. Goldberg

Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1641543 - D.M. Walker

Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1648461 - S.F.S. Nadel

Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1637815 - S.F.S. Nadel
January 10th  Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1625901 - R. Purchase

"  " Transfer to Australian National University of Superannuation Policy 1646323 - M.P. Edwards

"  " Form of Discharge and Request to Issue new Policies - Colonial Mutual Life Association Policies Nos. 950256/1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 833650

February 14th Application for membership - N.M.L.A.

April 9th  Transfer to Mr. E.H. Clark of Superannuation Policy No. 345039

25. PURCHASE OF DWELLINGS:

The Registrar said that in the course of the meeting he had received a message to say that a private firm was offering to the University an opportunity to purchase up to sixteen Riley-Newsum prefabricated houses. The houses were only available in batches of eight so that the University could buy on this occasion either eight or sixteen. No funds remained in the current year's housing estimates and he asked whether the estimates for the ensuing year should be anticipated. Council authorized the Vice-Chancellor to examine the situation and to act.

26. VISIT OF PROFESSOR E. LINDAHL:

Dr. Coombs told Council that Professor E. Lindahl would spend six months in Australia from the middle of June, 1952, with the Commonwealth Bank. During this period Dr. Coombs hoped to arrange opportunities for Professor Lindahl to meet economists of the Australian universities.

The meeting closed at 4 p.m.
The Australian National University

COUNCIL

The fifth meeting of the Council was held in the Council Room on Friday, 27th June, 1952, at 10 a.m.

Present: Sir David Rivett (in the Chair),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor Bailey,
Mr. Barnard,
Professor Burton,
Dr. Cameron,
Dr. Coombs,
Mr. Dawes,
Mr. Fry,
Mr. Goodes,
Professor Ward,
Major-General Windeyer,
Professor Wright.

The Registrar, the Acting Assistant Registrar (Mr. W. S. Hamilton) and the Graduate Assistant (Mr. K. Long) were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from
Mr. Beazley, Mr. Brown, Professor Mills, Senator McCallum, Professor Oliphant, Senator Tangney and Dr. Wilson.

1. WELCOME TO STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES:

The acting Chairman extended a welcome to Messrs. Fry and Barnard who were attending a meeting of the Council for the first time.

2. MESSAGE TO PROFESSOR MILLS:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Mills was undergoing hospital treatment. It was resolved to send a message of greeting to Professor Mills with best wishes for a speedy recovery.

3. MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 28th April, 1952 (203/1952), copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read, and confirmed.

4. MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL:

(a) Student Representatives

The Registrar reported that in accordance with the Council's resolution at its fourth meeting (Minutes, paragraph 2(d)(iii)) nominations had been called for the election to the Council of the first representatives of the student body. Only two nominations had been received and accordingly he had, on 29th May, declared Eric Charles Fry and Noel Barnard duly elected. He had determined by lot (as specified by the election rules) that Mr. Fry will hold office for two years and Mr. Barnard for one year, the term commencing in both instances on 1st July, 1951.
(b) **Representatives of Convocation** -

The Registrar tabled correspondence with Professor Bailey (267/1952) arising from a discussion at the previous meeting on the question of deferring the election of additional representatives of Convocation under Section 5 of the Act until the next election to be held in the normal course (see minutes, fourth meeting, paragraph 2(d)(ii)).

It was resolved that the election of any additional representatives by Convocation be held in July, 1953.

(c) **Representatives of the Senate** -

The Registrar reported that he had learned from the Clerk of the Senate that the Senate had accepted, on 5th June, 1952, the resignation of Senator Gorton from the Council of the University and had elected Senator McCallum to the Council in his stead.

The Registrar said that it was his view that resignations of members should be submitted to the Council and not to constituent groups.

It was agreed that suitable legislation be enacted to provide specifically for the submission of resignations to the Council.

5. **INSTALLATION OF CHANCELLOR** :

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Chancellor had now confirmed 23rd October, 1952, as a suitable date for his installation. The Vice-Chancellor added that the ceremony would follow the lines planned for last year with the granting of an honorary degree as already approved by the Council and the Board of Graduate Studies.

6. **APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR, RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES** :

The Vice-Chancellor reported that following the last meeting of the Council he had consulted absent members and had received unanimous endorsement of the proposal that an invitation be extended to Mr. L.G. Melville to accept the Directorship of the Research School of Social Sciences. Mr. Melville had now replied expressing his pleasure at the invitation and personal desire to accept, but asking that he be given some little time before making a decision in view of his commitments to the International Bank and International Monetary Fund.

7. **LORD LINDSAY OF BIRKER - ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNCIL'S MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE** :

The Vice-Chancellor said that he had been asked by Lord and Lady Lindsay to convey to the Council their gratitude for its recent message of condolence.
8. ADVISERS ON LEGISLATION:

The minutes (275/1952) of a meeting of the Advisers held on 13th June, 1952, were received. The following decisions were taken:-

(a) **Board of Graduate Studies Amendment Statute** -

A draft amendment statute (276/1952) prepared by the Advisers was examined. Professor Bailey proposed that the draft be modified by:

(i) altering the title to read "Board of Graduate Studies (Amendment No. 1) Statute";

(ii) placing an asterisk after the word "Statute" in the first line of the text and giving a footnote "Statute No. 4".

These modifications were adopted. It was then resolved that the "Board of Graduate Studies (Amendment No. 1) Statute" be made in the form attached to these minutes.

(b) **Convocation Amendment Statute** -

It was resolved:

(i) to rescind the Convocation Statute (First Amendment) made on 7th December, 1951 (minutes, paragraph 4(c));

(ii) that a further amendment be prepared to the Convocation Statute to include the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, and five other officers to be nominated by the Executive of the Organization, as members of Convocation;

(iii) to adopt Professor Bailey's proposal that the title of the draft amendment statute (277/1952) be modified to read "Convocation (Amendment No. 1) Statute"; and that an asterisk be placed after the word "Statute" in the first line of the text and a footnote "Statute No. 3" be added;

(iv) to ask the Advisers on Legislation to include in the present draft amendment the provision mentioned in (iii) above.

(c) **Draft Superannuation Statute** -

A draft Statute (261/1952) was received but after discussion returned to the Advisers for further examination of the provisions for disposition of proceeds (section 17).

(d) **Sales of University Land** -

Noted and approved.

(e) **Resignations from membership of Council** -

Noted and approved.
9. **FINANCE COMMITTEE**:

(a) **Meetings and Attendances**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Finance Committee meeting called for 24th May had been abandoned as no member was available and at the subsequent meeting on 18th June only Mr. Goodes and he were present. Depleted attendances were of course largely due to temporary circumstances such as the visit of Mr. Brown abroad and the vacancy caused by Professor Crocker's resignation. The Vice-Chancellor said he thought it wise to increase Finance Committee membership.

It was resolved that Professor Bailey be appointed to the Finance Committee.

Professor Wright explained his own inability to come to Canberra separately for meetings of the Finance Committee and Standing Committee and he suggested that they be held on the same day.

It was resolved that the next meeting of the Finance Committee be held on the same day as that of the Standing Committee and that the Standing Committee be asked to discuss the practicability of continuing meetings of the two Committees on the one day.

(b) **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 15th June, 1952 (269/1952) were received. There was special discussion on the following items and the report was adopted subject to the comments noted:

5. Increased contribution to the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee,

7. Higher Duties Allowance - Acting head of Department of International Relations,

8. Revision of Tradesmen's Salaries,

9. Professor Crocker's book - loan for publication,

10. Estimates 1952-53,

11. Final Accounts 1952,

16. Assistance to purchase house - Professor Swan.

Arising out of these discussions it was resolved:

(i) to ask the Finance Committee to consider and report on the conditions and general rules under which Higher Duties Allowances should be granted;
(ii) that the Vice-Chancellor be empowered to make such adjustments as he thought necessary from time to time to keep the salaries of technical and clerical staff in accord with award conditions where applicable;

(iii) that the Finance Committee be asked to examine the contention that increases in salaries of tradesmen affect relative positions amongst senior technicians and to a degree other salaries paid throughout the University and report to the Standing Committee with recommendations. It was directed also that extracts from relevant awards be submitted with the report;

(iv) to approve the Finance Committee's proposal for a loan to Professor Crocker for the publication of his book on international organizations provided that the publication of the work is endorsed by the Publication Committee; and to ask the Board of Graduate Studies to report on the principles which should apply to the granting of assistance for publications;

(v) to receive the Registrar's report that the final accounts for 1951 had now been signed by the Auditor-General;

(vi) to confirm the wisdom of restricting the investment of superannuation reserve funds in trustee stocks as against, for example, a proposal which had been made that reserve funds might be used for loans to members of staff for the purchase of houses; and to refer Professor Swan's request to the Standing Committee for examination in the light of the general scheme being prepared for assistance in buying houses.

Subject to these resolutions the Finance Committee minutes were approved.

10. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES:

A report of the meeting held on 9th May, 1952 (279/1952) was received and adopted. Special note was made of items -

(2) Outside work by students,
(5) John Curtin School of Medical Research,
(6) Research School of Physical Sciences,
(7) Research School of Social Sciences,
(8) Research School of Pacific Studies,

/(13) Honorary Degrees,
Honorary Degrees,
Appointment of Directors,
Visit of Professor Lindahl,
Visit of Professor Kluckhohn.

The Vice-Chancellor's action in approving the Board's recommendations for the appointment of Mr. Kratzing, Mr. Joklik, Dr. Joplin, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Gilson, Mr. West, Dr. Ackroyd and Mr. Jennings was confirmed.

The Board's proposal that the Department of Anthropology be renamed the "Department of Anthropology and Sociology" was referred back to the Board with a request that it produce a paper amplifying the reasons given for the change and the implications which would arise therefrom.

The Board's report was approved subject to the Council's requirements concerning the renaming of the Department of Anthropology.

11. ADVISERS ON BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

Minutes of the meeting held on 18th June, 1952 (271/1952) were received and adopted after special consideration had been given to items -

2(b) Appointment of University Staff Architect,
6(a) Quarters for Department of Physiology,
6(b) Animal breeding establishment,
6(d)(ii) Levels for the principal building of the John Curtin School.

Arising out of Item 2(b), University Staff Architect, it was resolved:

(i) to approve in principle the proposal for the appointment of a University Staff Architect and to ask the Vice-Chancellor to make a further report on any change in the proposed duties;

(ii) to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to proceed with negotiations with Professor Brian Lewis for a re-arrangement of his terms of engagement in order to wind up his association with the University except in a consultative capacity;

(iii) to ask the Vice-Chancellor to report to the Standing Committee or the Council the arrangements made for the re-distribution of responsibility in the Property and Purchasing Section, having in mind the proposal for the appointment of a Staff Architect and also the resignation of Mr. A.A. McDonald (vide Item 14(c) of these minutes).
12. ADVISERS ON HOUSES AND TENANCIES:

The Minutes of the meeting held on 18th June, 1952 (271/1952) were received and adopted. The Registrar reported that a further twenty-four Riley-Newsum prefabricated houses of a newer design had been purchased since the Committee met and would be erected during the next six months.

It was resolved to record the Council's appreciation of the successful efforts made by those responsible for coping with the provision of housing under the existing difficult circumstances.

13. ADVISERS ON UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

The Minutes of the meeting held by the Advisers on 15th May, 1952 (219/1952) were received and approved subject to further consideration by the Council at its next meeting of the proposal that the Access Road be named in honour of Sir Robert Garran.

14. APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS:

(a) Assistant Registrar -

It was resolved to appoint Mr. D.K.R. Hodgkin as Assistant Registrar.

(b) Esquire Bedell -

It was decided that for the time being no formal appointment of an Esquire Bedell would be made. It was thought that the duties normally attached to such an appointment could be carried out on ceremonial occasions by the organizer of the ceremonies.

(c) Property and Purchasing Officer -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had accepted the resignation of Mr. A.A. McDonald from the position of Property and Purchasing Officer, effective 31st August, 1952. The action taken was confirmed.

15. THE UNIVERSITY'S RESPONSIBILITY IN THE EVENT OF ABSENCE THROUGH ILLNESS OF MEMBERS OF ACADEMIC STAFF:

A paper (268/1952) which had been circulated setting out an opinion given by the Crown Solicitor to the Canberra University College on a University's responsibility as an employer in the event of protracted absence through illness of members of the academic staff was noted for further examination.

16. HONORARY DEGREE - SIR JOHN COCKCROFT:

It was agreed that an honorary degree should be conferred on Sir John Cockcroft during his forthcoming visit provided the Board of Graduate Studies concurred and designated the appropriate degree to be awarded.
17. **SEVENTH QUINQUENNIAL CONGRESS OF UNIVERSITIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH**:

It was resolved to concur in the wishes of the Congress that each University should send, in addition to its principal executive officer, one other delegate active in University affairs to attend the Seventh Quinquennial Congress to be held in the United Kingdom in 1953.

18. **LEAVE WITHOUT PAY - MISS J.C. BARBER**:

It was noted that the Vice-Chancellor had, on the recommendation of the Librarian, granted leave without pay to Miss Barber from 7th July, 1952, to 2nd January, 1953, to attend a course at the Library School of the Melbourne Public Library.

19. **NEXT MEETING**:

It was agreed that the next meeting should be held on 15th August, 1952, and that such members as were able should arrive in Canberra at mid-day on 14th August to inspect the University site during the afternoon and to dine in the evening with members of the Research School of Pacific Studies.

20. **CONTRIBUTIONS TO AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE**:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had, with the approval of the Deputy Commissioner of Taxation, solicited and received donations to the University for transmission to the Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science. By this means such contributions being made in the first instance to the University would qualify the donors for taxation concessions.

The Vice-Chancellor sought authority to make payments from the fund to the Association.

It was resolved to defer the matter until the next meeting for further discussion.

21. **ENTRY PERMITS TO AUSTRALIAN TERRITORIES FOR FIELD RESEARCH WORKERS**:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that a scholar, Mr. F. Worsley, had recently been refused a Permit of Entry to New Guinea where he was to have undertaken anthropological research. The scholar had not been told the grounds on which the Minister's decision was taken officially but the Minister had granted the Vice-Chancellor a confidential interview.

Mr. Fry and Mr. Barnard spoke of Mr. Worsley's professional ability, war service and character and gave their views on the effect of this unfortunate happening on his academic career and on the University's own plans for field research and for the recruitment of field workers.

It was generally felt, in the absence of details about Mr. Worsley's case, that the Minister's power to refuse entry to a territory was undeniable and that members of the University could not demand special privileges not accorded other citizens.
At the same time it was realised that there could be circumstances associated with the case of which the University should take note as restricting the scope of the University and the research carried out by scholars.

It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to seek a further interview with the Minister for Territories with a view to obtaining the Minister's consent to lay the facts before the Council or to enabling the Vice-Chancellor to report to the Council that in his judgment there was or was not a question of principle involved.

The Vice-Chancellor said that he would mention the matter in a general way to the Board of Graduate Studies and would report the result of this discussion and of his interview with the Minister to the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 5.15 p.m.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Section (1) of the Board of Graduate Studies statute is amended by omitting the words "the Directors and the Professors," and inserting in their place the words "the Directors, the Professors, the Registrar and the Librarian."

Given under the Common Seal of The Australian National University by direction of the Council.

Vice-Chancellor.

Registrar.

I, the Governor-General in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby approve the foregoing Statute.

Dated this day of , 1952.

Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,

Prime Minister.

Statute No. 4.
The sixth meeting of the Council was held at the University on Friday, 15th August, 1952, at 10 a.m.

Present: Dr. Coombs (in the Chair),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor Bailey,
Mr. Beazley,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Professor Burton,
Dr. Cameron,
Mr. Dawes,
Mr. Fry,
Professor Oliphant,
Professor Sawer,
Senator Tangney,
Professor Ward,
Dr. Wilson,
Major-General Windeyer,
Professor Wood,
Professor Wright.

The Registrar, the Acting Assistant Registrar (Mr. Hamilton), and the Graduate Assistant (Mr. Long) were in attendance.

Mr. N. Barnard was invited to attend the meeting as a representative of the students.

An apology for absence was received from Senator McCallum.

1. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the fifth meeting held on 27th June, 1952 (377/1952) copies of which had been circulated were taken as read, and confirmed.

2. WELCOME TO PROFESSORS SAWER AND WOOD:

The Vice-Chancellor extended a welcome to Professor Sawer and to Professor Wood (a former member of the Interim Council) who were attending their first meeting of the Council (see Item 5(a) below).

3. THE LATE PROFESSOR MILLS:

The Vice-Chancellor stated that it was his melancholy duty to report the death of the Deputy Chairman of the Council, the late Professor Richard Charles Mills.

It was resolved unanimously to record the fact that the Council greatly regrets the death of Professor Richard Charles Mills, expresses the deepest sympathy with Mrs. Mills and her family and places on record its high appreciation of Professor Mills as an esteemed colleague, as a devoted worker in the cause of education and particularly in the service of the University at the highest level, as a distinguished economist and academic teacher, and as an adviser to Governments over many years in matters of public finance and economic policy. The Council is gratified to record that Professor Mills served the University with great distinction as Chairman of the
Interim Council during the whole of its period of control from 1946 to 1951 and to recognise the enduring contribution he made to the establishment of the University in its formative stages. At its first meeting the Council appointed Professor Mills as permanent Chairman in the absence of the Chancellor and he held this office at the time of his death. The Council highly appreciates the eminent service he rendered in this capacity, and his continued devotion to the University during months of failing health.

The Council stood as a mark of respect to the late Deputy Chairman in passing the resolution.

4. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL:

It was resolved unanimously to invite Dr. Coombs to accept the office of Deputy Chairman.

Dr. Coombs accepted and took over the conduct of the meeting from this point.

5. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL:

(a) Elections by Staff and Convocation -

The Registrar reported that as a result of a ballot held on 30th June, 1952, to fill the vacancy caused by the withdrawal of Professor Crocker, Professor Geoffrey Sawyer was elected to membership of the Council as a representative of the academic staff. Convocation had also held an election consequent on the vacancy caused by Dr. Currie's resignation and it duly elected Professor J.G. Wood. In both instances the period of office will expire on 30th June, 1955.

The reports were received and the Chairman expressed the Council's gratification with the results of the elections.

(b) Student Representatives -

The Registrar also reported that nominations had been called, closing 28th July, 1952, for an election to fill the vacancy caused by the expiry of the term of Mr. N. Barnard on 30th June, 1952. No nominations were received. A further call for nominations had been given closing on 20th August, 1952.

The report was received, and noted.

6. INSTALLATION OF CHANCELLOR:

The Vice-Chancellor tabled a paper (377/1952) setting out draft proposals for the programme on the occasion of the Installation of the Chancellor (23rd and 24th October, 1952). The proposals were adopted as a basis for the completion of a detailed programme.

7. PROFESSOR OLIPHANT:

Professor Oliphant reported briefly on his recent visit to the United Kingdom and Canada. He said that the prime purpose of the journey was to endeavour to obtain equipment needed for the Research School of Physical Sciences deliveries of which had been lagging. He had concentrated his efforts on this problem whilst he was in England though he had managed also to make a tour of the principal Universities and establishments engaged in nuclear research in the United Kingdom.
and in Canada, and he had also made enquiries about potential members of staff. As a result of his efforts he felt that so far as the promises of suppliers could be accepted, equipment would now become available within reasonable time though still not as early as he would wish.

8. VICE-CHANCELLOR’S TERM OF OFFICE:

The Registrar reported that in accordance with Section 18 of the Australian National University Act, the term of office of the Vice-Chancellor will expire on 1st May, 1953.

It was resolved to form a committee consisting of Dr. Coombs, Professor Oliphant, Professor Bailey, Mr. A.S. Brown, Professor Wright and Dr. Cameron, to examine and report to the Council recommending an appointment from 1st May, 1953, and the conditions of service governing the post.

9. STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL:

(a) Membership -

It was resolved to appoint Professor Geoffrey Sawer to the Standing Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the withdrawal of Professor Crocker.

(b) Meeting on 28th July, 1952 -

The Minutes of the meeting held on 28th July, 1952, (355/1952) were received and the following decisions taken:-

3(a)(i). Noted.

3(a)(ii) A recommendation from the Standing Committee that the positions of Registrar and Librarian carry the status and emoluments of a Professor of the University was discussed in full. There were differences of opinion as to whether these posts should carry the emoluments of a Professor and further as to whether it was appropriate that the University Librarian should receive a salary greater than that accorded the Librarian of the National Library.

It was pointed out by the Vice-Chancellor that the Council has already elected the Registrar and the Librarian as full members of the Board of Graduate Studies and therefore no question arose of inequality in status between these gentlemen and the professors.

It was resolved to re-affirm equality of status within the Board of Graduate Studies but to refer the matter of emoluments back to the Standing Committee with a request that additional information be given as to the practice in other Universities in Australia and abroad, and a recommendation in the light of this additional information.

4. It was noted with pleasure that Professor Oliphant had been appointed to membership of the Finance Committee.

5. Board of Graduate Studies - Meeting of 4th July, 1952

(a) It was noted that the Standing Committee had approved the appointment of Mr. W.D. Borrie as Reader in Demography within the Research School
of Social Sciences but had deferred consideration of the establishment of a Department of Demography. It was resolved to examine this matter at the next meeting of the Council but to ask the Standing Committee to consider the question further in the meantime and offer a recommendation.

(c) It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to inform the Board of Graduate Studies that the Council had doubts about the wisdom of the proposal to accept part-time students on the basis at present intended by the Board and to ask that the Board provide fuller information.

6. Statutory Grant and Long-Term Estimates

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Commonwealth Government had agreed to make available £600,000 for running expenses in 1952/53 (as against estimated needs of £632,000) and a sum of £977,000 for capital works and services (estimated £1,197,150). The Vice-Chancellor's Budget Advisers met on 12th August and were now conferring with their colleagues in an endeavour to recast the running expenses estimates to conform with the provision made. They had also made a preliminary examination of the capital grant estimates, revision of which was being completed by the Registrar.

The Vice-Chancellor drew attention to the Standing Committee’s advice that the Council should direct the commencement of a full review of plans for the long-term development of the University and the scope and functions of its Departments, in order that a restatement of needs could be presented to the Commonwealth Government for acceptance and reconsideration of the basis of Commonwealth financial support. Dr. Roland Wilson strongly endorsed this proposal. It was resolved to ask the Standing Committee to undertake this task and report to the Council.

9. Finance Committee

It was noted that during 1953 it was proposed to hold Finance Committee meetings immediately prior to sessions of the Standing Committee.

14. Appointment of Architect

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had now had discussions with Professor Brian Lewis, the Architect for the University's "immediate building programme" and was working towards an agreement that Professor Lewis should withdraw from the University’s building programme except in relation to buildings already commenced or when required in a consultative capacity.

The Vice-Chancellor reported further that he had conferred with the President of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects who had recommended that in appointing an architect to the staff of the University it would be preferable to seek a man leaning more to the supervisory aspects of an architect's duties rather than expect the appointee to give the major part of his time to design duties, though, of course, he...
should be sufficiently trained in this side to be able to place the University's wishes effectively before other Architects. It was thought that the basic salary would need to be in the region of £1,600 per annum and the President had undertaken to publish a suitable advertisement (to be drafted by the University) in the journals of the chapters of the Society and to arrange for the chapters to make a preliminary examination of the applications and provide the University with a short list. It had been suggested also that the position simply carry the title of "Architect" with an initial tenure of say five years.

The Vice-Chancellor's plan of action was approved though he was asked to ensure that a wide range of advice was taken before the final selection was made.

Subject to the above specific directions the report of the Standing Committee was received and adopted.

10. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES:

(a) Meeting held on 4th July, 1952 -

A report (329/1952) of the meeting held on 4th July, 1952, was received and adopted.

It was noted that the legislation under Item 7 - "Faculty Organisation" was not yet ready for enactment as some was still in the drafting stage and other sections were to be re-examined by the Board of Graduate Studies.

(b) Meeting on 1st August, 1952 -

A report of the meeting held on 1st August, 1952 (364/1952) was received and the following decisions taken :-

(2) Approval was given to the Vice-Chancellor's action in appointing Mr. B. McIllopp to a Research Fellowship in Far Eastern History from a date to be decided.

(3) It was resolved to adopt the Board's recommendation for the appointment of Dr. F.D. Collins to a Research Fellowship in the Department of Biochemistry, the date of appointment to be decided by the Vice-Chancellor.

(4) Leave was granted to invite applications for the standing vacancies of the Chair in Theoretical Physics and a Readership in Geophysics within the Research School of Physical Sciences.

(5) It was resolved to adopt, as a general statement of the geographical scope of activities of the Research School of Pacific Studies, a paper by the Vice-Chancellor (173/1952).

Subject to the above specific provisions it was resolved to adopt the Board's report.
11. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The Minutes (360/1952) of a meeting held on 28th July, 1952, were received and adopted.

12. UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

(a) Meeting of Advisers on 2nd July, 1952 -

The Minutes (313/1952) of a meeting of the Advisers on University House held on 2nd July, 1952, were received and adopted.

(b) Representation of Students on the Advisory Body -

It was resolved that two representatives of the students should be appointed as Advisers on University House and to ask the Vice-Chancellor to confer with the student body and make the appointments.

13. HOUSES AND TENANCIES:

The Minutes (334/1952) of the meeting held on 21st July, 1952, which had been received by the Standing Committee on 28th July, 1952, were noted.

14. LEGISLATION:

The Minutes (380/1952) of a meeting of the Advisers on Legislation held on 21st August, 1952, were received and adopted.

(a) Convocation Amendment Statute No. 1 -

It was resolved to make the Convocation Amendment Statute No. 1 in the form attached (378/1952).

(b) Constitution of the Council (Period of Office) Amendment Statute No. 1 -

It was resolved to make the Constitution of the Council (Period of Office) Amendment Statute No. 1 in the form attached (379/1952).

15. SCHOLARSHIPS:

Minutes of meetings of the Committee on Scholarship Emoluments held on 24th July and 8th August, 1952, were received.

It was resolved to adopt the Committee's recommendations for the revision of scholarship allowances as follows:

(a) that henceforth regard be given to the quarterly cost of living adjustment in reviewing scholarship allowances, and that these allowances be augmented or reduced in the following proportions:

(i) scholars receiving the full allowance in cash - £4.10. - for each £6 variation in the cost of living adjustment;

(ii) scholars receiving free board at Brassey House (or University House) - £2.10. - for each £6 variation in the cost of living adjustment;
(b) that current allowances be revised from 1st August, 1952, to take account of a portion of the cost of living adjustments increases (£48) since the last revision was made on 1st March, 1952. Revisions recommended are -

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>From</th>
<th>To</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>£575</td>
<td>£611</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>£275</td>
<td>£295</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

(c) that the Vice-Chancellor should have in mind the disbursement of discretionary allowances on the following lines -

(i) married scholar (no children) - additional allowance to be granted only in circumstances when it would be unreasonable to expect the wife to work, and then to a maximum of £150 per annum;

(ii) married scholar with children -

<p>| | |</p>
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>for wife</td>
<td>£100 per annum</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>for each dependent child</td>
<td>£50  &quot;       &quot;</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

It was decided not to take up the Committee's suggestion that the Vice-Chancellor should have a fund from which he could make disbursements as grants to students in exceptional cases of need but that he should have full authority to make loans in these circumstances from a fund to be established.

16. ENTRY PERMITS TO AUSTRALIAN TERRITORIES FOR FIELD RESEARCH WORKERS:

After discussion of considerations arising out of the recent instance in which a scholar of the University was refused a permit to enter New Guinea to undertake field research work, it was resolved to note and approve the Vice-Chancellor's verbal report and a statement on the matter which he had made to the press on 14th August, 1952 (attached 382/1952) as representing the Council's views.

It was considered that in future when scholars or staff are being selected who may have to enter Territories or restricted areas, they should be informed that limitations of entry do exist and that the University does not accept responsibility for any difficulties in which a scholar may find himself in the event of his exclusion from a field research area.

It was resolved to refer the matter to the Board of Graduate Studies for examination and advice.

17. STUDENT AFFAIRS:

(a) Students' Association - Draft Constitution -

Copies of the draft constitution were received and referred to the Standing Committee for examination.

(b) Student Representatives of the Council -

A request was received (359/1952) from the Executive of the Students' Association for consideration of a proposal that the period of office of student representatives on the Council be for one year and that if a vacancy arose within not less than three months from the next general election a by-election should be held forthwith.

"The general..."
The general position of the student representatives on the Council was discussed and it was emphasised that they enjoyed full membership of the governing body and should take part in all decisions and not merely those relating to student welfare and activities.

The feeling was that the Council should meet the students wishes in the matter of tenure but it was decided to ask the student representatives to confer again with their executive to discuss the point that Council meets infrequently, and therefore should tenure of office be reduced, they would have little opportunity to become sufficiently in command of its business and procedures to represent their constituents effectively. It was decided to defer a decision until the next meeting of the Council.

18. REMISSION OF FEES, STAFF AND STUDENTS:

It was resolved to refer to the Standing Committee for examination the question of whether fees should be remitted in certain instances other than the present concessions made to scholars.

19. DIRECTORS:

(a) Research School of Social Sciences

A report was received and noted from the Vice-Chancellor that Mr. Melville had undertaken to give a reply by the middle of September to the Council's recent invitation.

(b) Research School of Pacific Studies

The Vice-Chancellor further reported that the Committee appointed by the Council to consider means of filling the vacant post of Director in the Research School of Pacific Studies had met and discussed the matter and had decided to recommend that if Mr. Melville declines the equivalent position in the Research School of Social Sciences then the Council should elect a Dean in each School from the present staff for fixed terms. On the other hand if Mr. Melville accepts then the University would need to face up immediately to the need to appoint promptly a Director in the Research School of Pacific Studies.

The report was received and noted.

20. DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY:

A statement (368/1952) from the Board of Graduate Studies amplifying the reasons for the proposed change in the name of the Department of Anthropology was received. It was resolved that henceforth the Department should be known as "The Department of Anthropology and Sociology".

21. ACCESS ROAD:

It was resolved to approve in principle a proposal by the Advisers on University House that the Access Road on the University site be named in honour of Sir Robert Garran. However, it was decided to ask the Vice-Chancellor to examine the legal position as to whether the University has the right to name thoroughfares within the site boundaries without
reference to the local city administration and to report to the Council before any formal action was taken to give a name to the Road.

22. CONTRIBUTIONS TO A.N.Z.A.A.S.:

The Vice-Chancellor read a letter from the Taxation Commissioner intimating that contributions to the University for the encouragement of research in science undertaken by the Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science would be exempt from taxation. It was resolved that the fund be named "The Encouragement of Research in Science Fund" and be administered by any two of three trustees, namely, The Vice-Chancellor, Professor K.H. Bailey and Dr. Roland Wilson, who are authorised on the request of the Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science to make payments to the Association or on its behalf for objects approved by the trustees.

Dr. Wilson abstained from voting on the resolution.

23. CONGRESS OF THE UNIVERSITIES OF THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH 1953:

An invitation from the Association of the Universities of the British Commonwealth (367/1952) was received and noted.

24. ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM:

The Registrar reported that Mr. R.L. Mathews would resign from the University early in 1953 to take up the post of Reader in Commercial Studies at the University of Adelaide. It was resolved to accept Mr. Mathews' resignation from a date to be determined by the Vice-Chancellor and in doing so to record that he had served the University with distinction.

The Vice-Chancellor went on to say that it was now necessary to consider the future of the London Office and he suggested that one secretarial officer should be retained in London and be placed in the A.U.B.C. Office under the supervision of Dr. Foster. It was decided to refer the problem to the Standing Committee.

25. AFFIXATIONS OF THE SEAL:

A schedule (365/1952 attached) of affixations of the seal made since the last report was received and noted.

26. VISIT OF SIR JOHN COCKCROFT:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the conferring of an honorary degree on Sir John Cockcroft would take place at 3.30 p.m. on 5th September at the Institute of Anatomy, Canberra.

27. UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

The Registrar said that he had just received advice from the Department of Works to say that the lowest tender received for the panelling of the refectory and certain public rooms of University House was £9,500. In view of this high cost he asked whether work should proceed or a plaster finish used instead.

It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor to act after consultation with two members of the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

The meeting closed at 4.30 p.m.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Statute No._

CONVOCATION AMENDMENT STATUTE NO.1

1. Section 1 of the Convocation Statute is amended -
   (a) by inserting in paragraph (a), after the word "Readers," the words "Research Associates,"
   (b) by adding at the end of paragraph (d) the words "and of the Newcastle University College"; and
   (c) by adding at the end thereof the following paragraph: -
      "(e) the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization."

2. Section 2 of the Convocation Statute is amended by inserting after the words "the New England University College" the words "and of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization."

Given under the Common Seal of The Australian National University by direction of the Council.

Vice-Chancellor.

Registrar.

I, the Governor-General in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby approve the foregoing Statute.

Dated this day of , 1952.

Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,

Prime Minister.

statute No. 3.
Constitution of the Council (Period of Office) Amendment Statute No.1

1. The Constitution of the Council (Period of Office) Statute is amended by adding after section 3 the following section: -

"4. A member of the Council, other than the Vice-Chancellor, may resign his seat by notice in writing to the Council delivered to the Registrar."

Given under the Common Seal of The Australian National University by direction of the Council.

Vice-Chancellor.

Registrar.

I, the Governor-General in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby approve the foregoing Statute.

Dated this day of ,1952.

Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,

Prime Minister.

* Statute No. 6
The Vice-Chancellor (Sir Douglas Copland) said today that it was true that a Scholar of the National University had been refused a permit to enter New Guinea where it was intended that he should undertake field work. It is understood that this refusal was on grounds that would have applied to any citizen of Australia whatever his occupation or circumstances. As a member of the Australian community the Scholar was subject to the same administration and legal conditions as any other citizen. The fact that he was to pursue work in New Guinea as part of his course for a degree in the National University did not give him any standing other than the standing that any other citizen would have.

14th August, 1952.
365/1952

THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

LIST OF DOCUMENTS TO WHICH THE SEAL HAS BEEN AFFIXED

31st July Transfer: W.R. Egan and E.M. Egan to the Australian National University of Crown Lease, Volume 21, Folio 2053 (Block 1, Section 2, Red Hill)

Transfer: T.R. Mann to the Australian National University of Crown Lease, Volume 22, Folio 2128 (Block 6, Section 44, Turner)

Lease from Commonwealth of Block 9, Section 26, O'Connor (2 copies)

Lease from Commonwealth of Block 10, Section 26, O'Connor (2 copies)

Lease from Commonwealth of Block 3, Section 33, Forrest (2 copies)

Lease from Commonwealth of Block 4, Section 33, Forrest (2 copies)
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

COUNCIL

The seventh meeting of the Council was held in the University offices on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 23rd, 24th and 25th October, 1952.

On Thursday, 23rd October, the Council met at 9.45 a.m. and the following members were present:—

Dr. Coombs (in the Chair),
Viscount Bruce of Melbourne,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor Bailey,
Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Bernard,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Professor Burton,
Dr. Cameron,
Mr. Fry,
Mr. Goodes,
Senator McCallum,
Professor Oliphant,
Sir David Rivett,
Professor Sawer,
Senator Tangney,
Professor Ward,
Dr. Wilson,
General Windeyer,
Professor Wood,
Professor Wright.

The Registrar and the Assistant Registrar were in attendance.

An apology for absence was received from Mr. Dawes.

1. WELCOME TO THE CHANCELLOR:

The Deputy Chairman expressed the honour and pleasure which Council members felt at the Chancellor's presence with the Council, and the meeting welcomed the Chancellor with acclamation. The Chancellor acknowledged the welcome and said that he hoped there would very shortly be an opportunity for him to speak of the honour which the University had done him in inviting him to the office of Chancellor.

2. CONFERMENT OF DEGREE UPON THE CHANCELLOR:

It was unanimously resolved that, following the Council's resolution of 12th October, 1951, that the degree of Doctor of Laws be conferred on the Chancellor at the time of his Installation, the Vice-Chancellor be now authorized to confer the degree.

3. INSTALLATION OF THE CHANCELLOR:

It was unanimously resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be empowered to install Viscount Bruce of Melbourne as first Chancellor of the University.
The meeting then adjourned, members proceeding to the ceremony for the Installation of the Chancellor. A programme of the ceremony and the associated functions is included in the Minute Book with these minutes.

The meeting resumed on Friday, 24th October, 1952, at 10 a.m.

Present: The Chancellor (in the Chair), The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Bailey, Mr. Barnard, Mr. A.S. Brown, Professor Burton, Dr. Coombs, Mr. Fry, Senator McCallum, Professor Oliphant, Sir David Rivett, Professor Sawyer, Senator Tangney, Professor Ward, General Windeyer, Professor Wood, Professor Wright.

The Registrar and the Assistant Registrar were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. Dawes and Dr. Wilson.

4. MINUTES:

The minutes of the sixth meeting held on 15th August, 1952 (395/1952), copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read, and confirmed.

5. THE CHANCELLOR:

The Chancellor expressed the sense of honour which he felt in his election to his office and referred to the sense of high responsibility with which he approached his association with the University. He recalled that his election as Chancellor was to some extent an experiment and was based on the practice current in the United Kingdom of appointing a person as Chancellor who would be less continuously active in University affairs than was the practice in Australia. He said that he hoped to be able to take the closest interest in the University's affairs and to pay frequent visits to Australia for this purpose. He added that he would rely on the Council to let him know if the experimental arrangement on which his election had been based turned out in any way to be unsatisfactory.

6. WELCOME TO SENATOR MCCALLUM:

The Chancellor extended a welcome to Senator J.A. McCallum who was attending his first meeting of the Council.
7. **VICE-CHANCELLORSHIP**

The Chancellor referred to the decision of the Vice-Chancellor, which had recently been communicated to members of the Council, to accept appointment as High Commissioner for Australia in Canada. The Chancellor indicated that he had been consulted by wireless by the Minister for External Affairs, and Dr. Coombs said that the Minister had also discussed the matter with him and with such members of the Council as were available for consultation.

After full discussion, it was resolved:

1. That the Council receive with the greatest regret the intimation contained in a letter dated 9th October, 1952, from the Vice-Chancellor to each member of the Council that he had accepted an invitation from the Government to become High Commissioner for Australia in Canada at the expiration of his present term of office as Vice-Chancellor, and express its appreciation of the distinction with which Sir Douglas Copland has served the University as its first Vice-Chancellor.

2. That the committee appointed at the last meeting to consider the Vice-Chancellorship should continue its work, in close consultation with the Chancellor, and should endeavour to bring forward to a meeting of the Council on 5th December, 1952, the nomination of a person for appointment, the Council being of opinion that the office should be filled by invitation and not application, and that at this stage no direct approach should be made to prospective invitees.

3. That members of the Council should be invited to put before the committee any observations they wished to make as to the terms of the Vice-Chancellor’s office generally or concerning individuals who might be considered for appointment.

4. That, as Sir Douglas wished to be in England by the first week in March, the Council would wish him to feel free to take a period of leave before relinquishing his office.

Dr. Coombs said that the committee referred to above had held a preliminary meeting; had expressed the view that the precise powers and functions of the Vice-Chancellor should be allowed to develop, as heretofore, by custom, and had invited Professor Bailey to prepare a draft statute, couched in very general terms, to govern the Vice-Chancellorship. The Council approved the views expressed by the committee.

8. **STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL**

The Council received the minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee held on 19th September, 1952 (446/1952) and took action as follows:

/Paragraph 3(a)
Paragraph 3(a) - Membership of the Council -

Noted.

Paragraph 3(c) - Establishment of a Department of Demography -

Deferred pending the submission of the Vice-Chancellor's memorandum. The Council resolved to ask the Board of Graduate Studies to consider whether there are any other functional groups among the University staff whose position should be considered at the same time as that of demographic studies.

Paragraph 3(e)(i) - Students' Association -

Noted.

Paragraph 3(e)(ii) - Advisers on University House -

Student Representation -

Noted.

Paragraph 6 - Furniture Designer -

Noted.

Paragraph 10 - Proposal by Commonwealth Bank concerning an Annual Invitation -

Dr. Coombs said that he had now consulted the General Managers of the other Banks and that there was a good prospect that the proposed scheme for an annual visitor could be brought into effect. The Council expressed general approval of the scheme and asked for a formal proposal to be submitted to a later meeting.

Paragraph 12 - Vice-Chancellors' Committee -

The Council resolved as follows:

THE COUNCIL BELIEVES THAT THE FULLEST CONSULTATION BETWEEN THE EXECUTIVE HEADS OF AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITY INSTITUTIONS IS DESIRABLE AND THAT THE AUSTRALIAN VICE-CHANCELLORS' COMMITTEE AS DEVELOPED IN THE LAST FEW YEARS PROVIDES A SATISFACTORY MEANS FOR SUCH CONSULTATION.

The Council does not feel that the Committee has at any point attempted to make inroads on the power and
5. responsibility of the Council itself to determine the policy of the University, and it is, therefore, of the opinion that there is no need to take action as proposed in the resolution of the Senate of the University of Western Australia:"

Mr. A.S. Brown expressed the view that it was unnecessary for the Council to record any resolution in this matter.

Subject to the qualifications mentioned above, it was resolved that the Standing Committee's minutes be received and its recommendations adopted.

9. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES:

A report of the meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies held on 3rd October, 1952 (480/1952), was submitted and the following action taken:

Paragraph 1(b) - Senior Research Fellowship in Far Eastern History - Noted.

Paragraph 1(c) - Research Fellowships - Noted.

Paragraph 1(e) - Faculty Structure -

Professor Oliphant said that he had received a letter from Sir Howard Florey asking that a decision in this matter should be deferred until Sir Howard's visit to Australia in 1953. After discussion it was resolved that pending a decision on the question of Faculty structure the informal Faculty arrangements now in operation in the Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies should continue, and the Council (on the suggestion of Sir Howard Florey and Professor Oliphant) agreed to defer consideration of the resolutions of the Board of Graduate Studies in this matter.

Paragraph 4 - Principal Dates for 1953 - Deferred.

Paragraph 7(a) - Research Fellowship in the Research School of Physical Sciences - J.R. Richards - Appointment approved as recommended by the Board.
Paragraph 7(b) - Research Fellowship in the Research School of Physical Sciences - Dr. F.C. Barker -

Re-appointment as recommended by the Board approved.

Paragraph 8 - Appointment of Deans for Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies -

It was resolved to deal with this matter separately later in the meeting of the Council.

Paragraph 9 - Indian Studies -

Noted. The Council resolved to ask the Board of Graduate Studies to submit a proposal about the development of Indian studies in the University including comments on the financial implications of any proposals made.

Paragraph 10 - Conditions and Arrangement of Study Leave -

The Council noted that the Board would submit a report on this matter.

Subject to the qualifications mentioned above it was resolved that the report be received and the recommendations of the Board adopted. The meeting then adjourned.

* * * * * * * * * * * *

The meeting resumed on 25th October, 1952, at 9.30 a.m.

Present: The Chancellor (in the Chair),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor Bailey,
Mr. Barnard,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Professor Burton,
Dr. Cameron,
Dr. Coombs,
Mr. Fry,
Senator McCallum,
Professor Oliphant,
Sir David Rivett,
Professor Sawer,
Senator Tangney,
Professor Ward,
General Windeyer,
Professor Wood,
Professor Wright.

The Registrar and the Assistant Registrar were in attendance.
10. APPOINTMENT OF DEANS IN THE RESEARCH SCHOOLS OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND PACIFIC STUDIES:

The Vice-Chancellor submitted a memorandum (457/1952) in which he proposed the appointment of Deans for a period of three years in the Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies. He had sought the general advice of the Board of Graduate Studies on this proposal and the Board had approved, subject to the qualification that it thought that the Deans should receive some increase in salary in addition to an entertainment allowance.

After full discussion it was agreed that the Council should approve the appointment of Deans on the basis suggested by the Council, with the following modifications:

(a) It should be made clear to Deans or prospective Deans that the Council proposed to continue actively its search for Directors of the two Schools concerned and that if a Director should come into office his functions would supersede those of the Dean.

(Professor Sawer withdrew from the meeting for the remainder of the discussion on this item.)

(b) That the Vice-Chancellor should discuss with each Dean on his appointment which form of assistance the appointee would find most beneficial, and advise the Council accordingly. The Council was of opinion that the Dean should be afforded clerical assistance by the Registrar rather than by the establishment of a separate administrative unit.

(c) That a Dean should receive an increase of salary at the rate of £100 per annum and that the question of Deans' entertainment allowances should be referred to the Finance Committee.

(d) That on the Vice-Chancellor's advice Professor Sawer should be invited to accept the Deanship of the Research School of Social Sciences and Professor Nadel the Deanship of the Research School of Pacific Studies.

11. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The minutes of the meeting of 19th September, 1952 (447/1952) were submitted and the decisions of the Finance Committee noted.

12. ADVISERS ON UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

The minutes of the meeting of 11th September, 1952 (424/1952) were submitted and the decisions of the Advisers on University House noted.

13. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that at the suggestion of the Board of Graduate Studies he had called together a committee to consider the siting of the University Library and related matters.
related matters. The Committee had suggested a modification of the Library siting plan originally contemplated by Professor Lewis. The Vice-Chancellor said that he would now consult the Buildings and Grounds Advisers about the new proposal.

14. FINANCIAL REVIEW:

The Vice-Chancellor said that he would shortly be able to present to the Council a document embodying long-term estimates of University expenditure. It was resolved that this document should be referred to the Finance Committee and the Standing Committee, and then brought before the Council, which should determine an appropriate approach to be made to the Government.

15. REVIEW OF BUSINESS CONDITIONS IN AUSTRALIA:

The Vice-Chancellor referred to a proposal made by Dr. Coombs as Governor of the Commonwealth Bank that the University might prepare a periodic review of Australian business conditions, the Bank meeting the costs incurred in the project.

After discussion, during which members spoke of the implications of varying degrees of University participation in such a project, the Council resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to continue informally to investigate the proposal, and to report to the Council.

16. LEAVE MATTERS:

(a) Professor E.H. Partridge

The Vice-Chancellor said that Professor Partridge was anxious to spend about five months in the United States and Europe during 1953. The Council asked the Vice-Chancellor to proceed with arrangements to this end.

(b) Mr. F. Scarf

The Vice-Chancellor referred to a letter (521/1952) dated 20th October, 1952, which he had received from Mr. Scarf, in which Mr. Scarf indicated that he wished, largely on personal grounds, to have leave for six months but that during the leave there were certain matters which he could attend to in connection with equipment required for the Research School of Physical Sciences.

On the recommendation of Professor Oliphant it was resolved that leave be granted to Mr. Scarf on terms to be arranged by the Vice-Chancellor, but that in particular Mr. Scarf should be paid his normal salary until the commencement of first term in 1953.

(c) Professor Fenner

The Vice-Chancellor referred to a letter dated 16th October, 1952, in which Professor Fenner outlined a proposal that he should go on study leave during 1953. The Council agreed that it would be appropriate for Professor Fenner to take study leave on the basis mentioned in the letter, and asked the Vice-Chancellor to arrange the conditions of his leave and report to the Council.
The Council considered the University's representation at the Seventh Quinquennial Congress of Universities of the Commonwealth in Cambridge in July, 1953. It was resolved that if practicable the University should be represented by its Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Professor Partridge and a member of the sub-professorial staff. The Vice-Chancellor undertook to arrange the details of the representation and report to the Council.

The Council resolved that the Vice-Chancellor should have power to accept resignations from the staff and to report them as required by the provisions of the Commonwealth Superannuation Act.

It was resolved to ask the Board of Graduate Studies to appoint a committee to select general scholars in 1953, the understanding being that the Chairman of the Vice-Chancellors' Committee would either be a member of the committee or would be consulted in the course of the selection.

It was reported that a gift of fortythree volumes of the Transactions and Proceedings of the Rhodesia Scientific Association had been presented to the Library following a visit by Dr. D.M. Blair and Mr. R. McChlery to Australia early in 1952 to attend the British Commonwealth Scientific Conference.

The Registrar reported that since the last meeting of the Council the University seal had been affixed to the documents mentioned in the list attached to these minutes (497/1952).

The Registrar submitted a document embodying estimates of expenditure for the year 1952-53 revised having regard to the funds actually allocated by the Government to the University. It was resolved that this document be referred to the Finance Committee for examination.

Mr. Bernard said that he wished to have an opportunity to discuss the tariff chargeable at Brassey House to University residents other than scholars. It was resolved that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee.

Dr. Coombs said that he thought it might be possible to devise some more adequate means than existed at present to make known to members of the Council the work actually being done in the several Research Schools. It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to confer with the Board of Graduate Studies for this purpose.
25. **INSTALLATION OF THE CHANCELLOR**

The Council conveyed its congratulations to the Registrar for his work and the work of his staff in arranging the functions attendant on the installation of the Chancellor and for carrying them through with such success in very unfavourable circumstances. The Registrar thanked the Council and said he would welcome any suggestions as to how the ceremonial and other arrangements adopted for the functions might be improved. He also secured the approval of the Council to his conveying the University's thanks to those who had co-operated in the arrangements.

The meeting closed at 12.45 p.m.
LIST OF DOCUMENTS TO WHICH THE SEAL HAS BEEN AFFIXED

August 14th
Assignment to Australian National University from University of Sydney of Policies numbered 964177B1/N, 1110871B1/N; (M.L.C.); 821137 (C.M.L.) - Professor P.H. Partridge. (Three copies) Deed of Assignment.

" 18th
Assignment to Australian National University from Professor J.C. Eccles of A.M.P. Policy No. 1594376.

" 19th
Message of greeting to the University of Sydney on the occasion of its centenary.

September 5th
Diploma of the Degree of Doctor of Science - Sir John Cockcroft.

" 10th
Assignment of Col. Mutual Policy 821137
Assignment of M.L.C. Policy 1110871B1/N
Assignment of M.L.C. Policy 964177B1/N

" 16th
Message to Her Majesty the Queen.

" 26th
Bond by user of Franking Machine.

" 26th
Lease from Commonwealth of Block 37, Section 74, Ainslie (2 copies).

" 26th
Lease from Commonwealth of Block 36, Section 74, Ainslie (2 copies).

" 26th
Lease from Commonwealth of Block 38, Section 74, Ainslie (2 copies).

October 8th
Lease from Commonwealth of Block 39, Section 74, Ainslie (2 copies).

" 26th
Lease from Commonwealth of Block 40, Section 74, Ainslie (2 copies).

" 26th
Lease from Commonwealth of Block 41, Section 74, Ainslie (2 copies).
A meeting of the Council was held at the University on Friday, 5th December, 1952, at 10 a.m.

Present: The Chancellor (in the Chair),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Dr. Coombs,
Professor Bailey,
Professor Burton,
Dr. Cameron,
Mr. Dawes,
Professor Ennor,
Mr. Fry,
Mr. Goodes,
Senator McCallum,
Professor Oliphant,
Sir David Rivett,
Professor Sawyer,
Professor Ward,
General Windeyer,
Professor Wood,
Professor Wright.

The Registrar and the Assistant Registrar were in attendance.

An apology for absence was received from Mr. Beazley.

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 23rd, 24th and 25th October, 1952 (568/1952), having been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The minutes of the eighth meeting of the Finance Committee held on 26th November, 1952 (613/1952) were submitted and it was reported that a further meeting of the Committee had been held on 4th December, 1952.

Dr. Coombs, as Chairman of the Finance Committee, explained to the Council that the main business of the Committee at the two meetings mentioned had been an examination of the University's estimated running expenses for the period ending with the financial year 1955-56. The Committee had examined detailed estimates for each School, for the Library and for the Central Administration and also certain memoranda from the heads of particular Schools and Departments. At first it had appeared from these estimates that the University's running expenses would mount to about £946,000 per annum in 1955-56, at which point the Medical School would not be fully developed, because its buildings would not be completed. It appeared that an additional £100,000 per annum for the Medical School would be needed at some subsequent date. The
Committee's examination was principally directed towards establishing a position which the Council and the Government could be assured was reasonable and adequate for the plans the Council has in mind, but not extravagant or over-optimistic as to the rate of development possible without endangering standards.

Dr. Coombs said that the Committee had made it clear that its general approval of the revised estimates should not be held to constitute approval by the Council of any particular expenditure or establishment. The situation at present reached in the Committee's discussion was that the Vice-Chancellor was preparing a document for use in an approach by the University to the Government.

It was reported that the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting of 4th December, 1952, and a full set of documents relating to the estimates referred to would be circulated to Councillors as soon as possible.

The Council received this report and expressed approval of the Finance Committee's proceedings in this matter.

The Council resolved to adopt the recommendations of the Finance Committee at its meeting on 26th November, attention being drawn particularly to paragraph 5 - Revised Estimates 1952-53, and paragraph 6 - Entertainment Allowances.

3. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES

A report of the meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies held on 21st November, 1952 (611/1952) was submitted and the several paragraphs of the report dealt with as follows:

(1) Establishment of a Department of Demography -

After discussing the Board's advice in this matter the Council resolved :-

(a) that a Department of Demography in charge of the present Reader in that subject be created in the Research School of Social Sciences with the understanding that creation of the Department does not raise any presumption that a Chair of Demography will eventually be established;

(b) that in view of the Vice-Chancellor's report on his consultations with Professor Davidson and Mr. FitzGerald, a separate Department with Mr. FitzGerald at its head be created within the Research School of Pacific Studies, with again no presumption that a Chair will eventually be established. It was further resolved to ask the Board of Graduate Studies to advise the Council as to the most appropriate name for the new Department;

(c) to endorse
(c) to endorse the Board's opinion as to the creation of new Departments, viz., that the University should concentrate on the development of existing departments and departments to whose establishment it is already committed, before taking steps to establish further new departments.

(2) Dissemination of Work of Research Schools - Noted and approved.

(3) Faculties of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies -

Mr. G.T.J. Wilson -

The Council asked the Vice-Chancellor to deal with this matter and if necessary to ask the Advisers on Legislation to draft an amendment to the Enrolment, Courses of Research and Degrees Rules to facilitate the handling of Mr. Wilson's case.

Mr. N.T. Bailey -

It was resolved that Mr. Bailey be appointed Senior Research Fellow in Statistics as recommended by the Faculties and the Board.

Mr. R.F. Henderson -

It was resolved that Mr. Henderson be appointed to a one-year Fellowship in the Department of Economics as recommended by the Faculties and the Board.

(4) Visiting Scholar Professor A. Baird Hastings - Approved.

(5) Research Fellowship, Mr. B.W. Holloway -

It was resolved that Mr. Holloway be appointed Research Fellow in Microbial Genetics as recommended by the Board.

(6) Honorary Status for Visitors working in the University - Approved.

(7) Research School of Physical Sciences -

(a) Research Fellowship in Nuclear Physics, Mr. J.H. Carver -

It was resolved that Mr. Carver be appointed Research Fellow in Nuclear Physics as recommended by the Board.

/(b) Scholarships
(b) **Scholarships in the Department of Nuclear Physics**

It was resolved that scholarships in the Department of Nuclear Physics be awarded to Mr. A.J.F. Boyle, Mr. H.J. Hay, Mr. A.C. Riviere and Mr. D.W. Smellie, and that Mr. H.S. Murdoch and Mr. A.H. Morton be placed on a reserve list for award should any of these candidates fall out.

It was further resolved on the recommendation of Professors Oliphant and Jaeger that a scholarship in the Department of Geophysics be awarded to Miss Julia Langley.

(3) **Research School of Social Sciences**

(a) **Department of Statistics**

Professor Moran's memorandum (582/1952) was received and the Council's appreciation expressed.

(b) **Readership in Public Administration in the Department of Political Science**

It was resolved that steps be taken to fill this post. The Registrar corrected an error in the Board's report and said that the Electoral Board proposed by the Board of Graduate Studies would in fact comprise the following persons:

- The Vice-Chancellor,
- Professor Sawyer (Chairman),
- Professor Davidson,
- Professor Partridge,
- Professor Swan.

(c) **Mr. H.P. Brown**

Noted, and the Council's congratulations extended.

4. **VISITING SCHOLAR, PROFESSOR P.M.S. BLACKETT**

Professor Oliphant mentioned that Professor P.M.S. Blackett, F.R.S., Langworthy Professor and Director of the Physical Laboratories in the University of Manchester, would be paying a visit to India in January, 1953, and would, he thought, be prepared to spend say three months visiting Australia.

It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor, in consultation with Professor Oliphant, to enquire into this possibility, and, if practicable, to arrange a visit.

5. **UNIVERSITY HOUSE**

A report of the meeting of the Advisers on University House held on 24th November, 1952 (620/1952) was submitted. It was resolved that the report be received and the Vice-Chancellor authorized to take action in his discretion on the matters raised in it. The Vice-Chancellor said that he
hoped it would be possible to give the Council at its next meeting a detailed report on the progress of the building of University House.

6. HOUSES AND TENANCIES:

The minutes of the meeting of the Advisers on Houses and Tenancies held on 3rd November, 1952 (552/1952) were submitted and received.

7. APPOINTMENT AND TENURE OF VICE-CHANCELLOR:

Dr. Coombs reported that the Committee appointed by the Council on this matter had held several meetings and had reached the stage of considering the names of individuals to whom invitations to accept the Vice-Chancellorship might be issued. The Committee did not wish at this stage to report in any more detail or to propose specific arrangements for an acting Vice-Chancellorship should such arrangements become necessary.

The Vice-Chancellor having left the meeting for the discussion of this point, Dr. Coombs said that the Committee recommended that Sir Douglas should be granted three months' leave of absence at the end of his tenure as Vice-Chancellor.

The Council considered the draft Vice-Chancellorship Statute and memorandum concerning standing resolutions of the Council and the proposed draft resolution about the Vice-Chancellorship (630/1952) proposed by the Committee. Professor Bailey addressed the Council on this document.

It was resolved:--

(a) that the committee's proceedings generally be noted. The Chancellor drew attention to the fact that it would probably be necessary to call a special meeting of the Council during January 1953 to consider an appointment to the Vice-Chancellorship;

(b) that Sir Douglas Copland be granted three months' leave of absence at the conclusion of his term as Vice-Chancellor;

(c) that the draft Statute, memorandum and resolution be further considered at the next meeting of the Council;

(d) that the committee should be asked to consider whether it is desirable to make formal provision for study leave for the Vice-Chancellor.

8. MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL, STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES:

The Council considered a letter dated 13th November, 1952 (610/1952) in which the students asked the Council to consider further the proposal that student representatives on the Council should be elected for periods of one year instead of two years. Mr. Fry addressed the Council, pointing out that for a student to hold office as a Councillor for two years he would have to be elected in his first year and that field work and the preparation of his thesis might interrupt his tenure.
It was resolved to ask the Council's Advisers on Legislation to suggest how the period of office of student representatives on the Council might be reduced to one year.

9. REVIEW OF BUSINESS CONDITIONS IN AUSTRALIA:

The Council considered memoranda from the Vice-Chancellor (614/1952) and Professor Swan (600/1952) on this matter.

In answer to a question as to whether the Bank would be able to provide the comparatively large sum of money now estimated to be the cost of the project - some £10,000 per annum - Dr. Coombs said that he would need to consult the Bank Board further but that he himself was favourably impressed by the plan suggested by Professor Swan. He said that he contemplated a five-year offer by the Bank but hoped it would be possible for the arrangement to continue thereafter and for its continuance to be considered well before the end of the initial five-year period.

Dr. Coombs also said that he had in mind to suggest that the scheme might be established as a memorial to Professor L.F. Giblin and Professor R.C. Mills.

During discussion members stressed the desirability of stating clearly the sponsorship of the project in documents emanating from it and emphasising the independence of the University from outside control in the matter of the material published. Attention was also drawn to the importance of a careful scrutiny of the effects of this scheme on established publications and organisations in the same field.

It was resolved to accept the offer of the Commonwealth Bank and to express the University's thanks for it; to tell the Bank that the University would very much welcome the association of the scheme with the names of Professors Giblin and Mills; and to ask and authorize the Vice-Chancellor to continue negotiations to give effect to the scheme in the form proposed by Professor Swan and himself.

10. RESIGNATION. DR. K.E. READ:

The Council received a report that the Vice-Chancellor had accepted Dr. K.E. Read's resignation from his Research Fellowship in Anthropology as from 3rd February, 1953, Dr. Read having been appointed Senior Lecturer in Anthropology in the Australian School of Pacific Administration.

11. GIFT TO LIBRARY:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Australian-Latvian Association had presented two volumes on Latvian history to the University and that the University's thanks had been expressed for the gift.

The Vice-Chancellor also reported that the Australia and New Zealand Bank Limited had presented to the University bound copies of the "Australasian Insurance and Banking Record" from 1877 up to 1950, with the exception of the years 1879, 1883, 1893, 1897 and 1928, copies of which had been presented by McCarron Bird and Company. The University had expressed its thanks for the gifts.
12. **CALCULATION AND LIMITATION OF RENTALS:**

A memorandum from the Registrar (608/1952) on this matter was submitted and referred for examination to the Finance Committee.

13. **AFFIXATIONS OF SEAL:**

A list of the documents to which the Seal had been affixed since the last meeting of the Council (612/1952) was submitted and noted.

14. **APPOINTMENT OF DEANS IN THE RESEARCH SCHOOLS OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND PACIFIC STUDIES:**

The Council at its seventh meeting had approved the creation of the office of Dean for the Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies and had with certain reservations expressed in paragraph 10 of the minutes of that meeting adopted a report (497/1952) on the appointment and functions of Deans.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had discussed the question of Deanships with Professors Sawyer and Nadel and that each of these gentlemen was prepared to accept a Deanship. Professor Nadel had said that he expected to ask for study leave in 1954 and that he thought that in his case the Council should review his appointment as Dean before the end of 1953.

It was resolved that Professor Sawyer be appointed Dean of the Research School of Social Sciences and that Professor Nadel be appointed Dean of the Research School of Pacific Studies, and that these appointments and the general principle of School Deanships be reviewed before the end of 1953.

15. **PROPOSED VISIT OF SIR HOWARD FLOREY AND DR. SANDERS TO AUSTRALIA:**

At the Vice-Chancellor's suggestion it was resolved to invite Sir Howard Florey to visit Australia, arriving about the middle of March, 1953, and to invite Dr. Sanders to make a visit either at that time or before.

16. **APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECT:**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the committee appointed to consider the appointment of an architect to the staff of the University had met and interviewed five candidates.

On the unanimous recommendation of the committee it was resolved to appoint Mr. Edward John Scollay, a statement of whose qualifications and experience (638/1952) was before the Council.

17. **SWEDISH-AUSTRALIAN CULTURAL FUND:**

It was reported that at a recent ceremony in the University the Vice-Chancellor had received from the Swedish Minister, Mr. J. Martin Kastengren, a gift of the sum of £1,600 as a Jubilee gift from the Swedish community in
Australia, and had undertaken on the University's behalf that this sum would be held as the nucleus of a fund to develop cultural relations between Sweden and Australia and in particular to finance the exchange of scholars between the two countries.

It was resolved that the Council's appreciation of this gift be expressed.

18. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

The minutes of a meeting of the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds held on 5th November, 1952 (538/1952) was submitted.

As regards paragraph 4(b), small laboratories and studies block, Research School of Physical Sciences, it was reported that since there was no substantial margin between the lowest tender and the second-lowest tender, and since the lowest tenderer was not acceptable to the University, the Vice-Chancellor had directed the acceptance of the second-lowest tender. It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's action in this matter be endorsed.

Attention was also directed in particular to paragraph 4(c), Research School of Physical Sciences, Extension to Geophysics building.

It was resolved that the recommendations of the Advisers be adopted.

Professor Oliphant drew attention to the fact that the meetings of the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds were not as a rule well attended, and it was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to advise the Council whether he considered any reconstruction of the advisory body to be desirable.

19. VESTING OF UNIVERSITY SITE:

The Registrar drew attention to the fact that in February, 1951, the Interim Council had adopted a recommendation of the Buildings and Grounds Committee that approval be given to a draft ordinance, lease and agreement between the Commonwealth and the University concerning the vesting of the University site. This action had been made subject to a further attempt to obtain undertakings that the buildings on the site should be made available to the University by the end of 1955 instead of by the end of 1960 as proposed by the Commonwealth. This undertaking had now been obtained.

It was resolved to authorize the execution of these documents subject to the concurrence, in the case of the ordinance and the agreement, of the Council's Advisers on Legislation.

20. FAREWELL TO VICE-CHANCELLOR:

The Deputy Chairman said that he hoped to be able to suggest some suitable form of farewell to the Vice-Chancellor in which members of the Council could join at the time of the special meeting proposed in January, 1953.
21. VISIT OF THE CHANCELLOR:

Members of the Council offered their thanks to the Chancellor for the special part he had played in the affairs of the Council and of the University generally during his present visit to Australia, and the inspiration they had received from his leadership. The Chancellor thanked the Council and said that he was determined to maintain the closest interest in the University's affairs both in future visits and during his residence in London.

22. WORK OF THE RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

Professor Sawer spoke briefly on the work being done in the several Departments of the Research School of Social Sciences and answered questions from members of the Council.

The meeting closed at 4.20 p.m.
The ninth meeting of the Council was held in the Council room at the University on Thursday, 22nd January, 1953, at 10.30 a.m.

Present: Dr. Coombs (in the Chair),
         The Vice-Chancellor,
         Professor Bailey,
         Professor Burton,
         Dr. Cameron,
         Mr. Dawes,
         Professor Ennor,
         Mr. Fry,
         Mr. Goodes,
         Senator McCallum,
         Professor Oliphant,
         Sir David Rivett,
         Professor Sawer,
         Professor Ward,
         Dr. Wilson,
         Professor Wood,
         Professor Wright.

The Registrar and First Assistant Registrar (Mr. Maurice Brown) were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. Barnard, Mr. Beazley, Mr. A.S. Brown, Senator Tangney and General Windeyer.

1. MINUTES:

   The minutes of the eighth meeting held on 5th December, 1952 (656/1952), having been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. CONGRATULATIONS:

   The Council asked that its congratulations be conveyed to Professor W.K. Hancock and Mr. A.S. Brown, upon whom Her Majesty had recently conferred honours.

3. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

   The Council considered the minutes of the Finance Committee's meeting of 4th December, 1952 (644/1952) and the documents attached to it, concerning the long-term estimates of University expenditure and the question of an approach to the Government in the matter of the University finances. On the latter point the Council had before it a revised memorandum from the Vice-Chancellor of 24th December, 1952 (663/1952).

/Professor Bailey,
Professor Bailey, referring to the middle portion of paragraph 9 of the Vice-Chancellor's memorandum, expressed the view that, instead of using the somewhat formal terms "arrangement" and "agreement" it might be wiser simply to say that the University would be grateful for an endorsement by the Government of the programme stated in the memorandum so that it may have confidence that money will be forthcoming as it is required for the development of the University.

At Mr. Goodes' suggestion it was agreed that paragraph 8 of the Vice-Chancellor's memorandum should be amplified by the inclusion of a passage explaining how the Budget figure of £940,000 per annum could be reduced to the requested figure of £850,000 per annum.

Subject to the modifications mentioned it was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's memorandum be approved as a basis for an approach to the Government.

Senator McCallum suggested that the Council should consider possible avenues of private benefaction for the University, and the Council resolved to ask the Finance Committee to consider this suggestion.

After considering paragraph 3 of the Finance Committee's minutes - Entertainment Allowances, Professors, Laboratory Managers, and Senior Staff - it was resolved to approve the Vice-Chancellor's memorandum (circulated to the Finance Committee for its meeting of 4th December, 1952) as recommended by the Finance Committee and to ask that special grants made by the Vice-Chancellor should be reported to the Finance Committee.

The Council considered Item 5 of the Finance Committee's minutes - Investments, Superannuation Reserve Fund - reference being made to a minute of the Finance Committee of 10th February, 1949, paragraph 10 (adopted by the Interim Council on 11th February, 1949) which provided for the establishment of a Commonwealth Superannuation Fund and Provident Account Reserve and directed that the funds of the Reserve should be managed by the Vice-Chancellor and the Registrar and as far as practicable invested:

1. in securities of the Commonwealth;
2. in securities of the States;
3. in any manner which might be approved by the Finance Committee of the Council from time to time.

It was now resolved that in addition to the authority given by the minute mentioned above, the Vice-Chancellor and Registrar should be authorized to invest the funds of the Reserve in any securities designated as proper by the law of the Commonwealth or any Australian State for the investment of trust funds.

4. VICE-CHANCELLORSHIP:

The Deputy Chairman reported that the Committee on the Vice-Chancellorship had continued its investigations and had in the case of two gentlemen made enquiries as to whether they would be likely to be able to accept appointment should the Council decide to issue an invitation to them. In
one case the reply had been that the person approached would not be able to accept appointment for perhaps three years. The Committee felt that the Council would not wish to contemplate an interim arrangement for a period as long as this, and had therefore continued its consideration of other possibilities. The Committee hoped to be able shortly to present a small number of names to the Council, together with its own recommendation.

It was resolved that the question of a special meeting of the Council to give further consideration to the Vice-Chancellorship should be left in the hands of the Deputy Chairman.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Committee it was resolved to invite Professor Oliphant to act as Vice-Chancellor during the period of Sir Douglas Copland's leave of absence from 1st February to 1st May, 1953. In accordance with Professor Oliphant's wishes it was resolved that he should discharge his functions in consultation with the Deputy Chairman and the Standing Committee. The Registrar was asked to confer with Professor Bailey to make sure that the arrangement now proposed would enable the University's legal and other formal business to go forward without interruption.

The Council gave further consideration to the draft Vice-Chancellorship Statute and resolution previously submitted by the Committee (630/1952). It was resolved that these drafts be approved in principle and referred to the Legislation Advisers for their advice. It was further resolved to ask the Advisers on Legislation to draft, in accordance with the Committee's recommendation, a Statute to the effect that no officer of the University may be a member of a committee which is established to deal with his own appointment or his own office.

5. ADVISERS ON LEGISLATION:

The minutes of the Advisers' meeting held on 9th January, 1953 (8/1953) were considered as follows:

(a) Vesting of University Site -

It was resolved that the Advisers' recommendation in this matter be adopted and a letter written to the Minister for the Interior as recommended by the Advisers.

(b) Membership of Council - Student Representatives -

It was resolved that the recommendation of the Advisers in this matter be adopted and the following Amending Rule made:

"ELECTIONS (MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL) RULES

Amending Rule No. 1 -

Tenure of Members elected by the Students

In Part III - Elections by Students - delete Rule 4 and substitute a new Rule 4 as follows:

[signature] Member
4.

'(4) Members elected by the students shall hold office for one year.

(2.) Nothing in this Rule affects the tenure of office of any member elected by the students and holding office on 1st January, 1953.'

6. **ANNUAL REPORT TO PARLIAMENT**

The Council received a draft report to Parliament covering the period from 1st July, 1951, to 31st December, 1951, and approved the draft for submission to Parliament, subject to any alterations directed by the Chairman after consultation with individual members of the Council.

It was resolved that the Council should express its pleasure at the progress made and the publications issued during the period covered by the report, and that the report be considered at the next meeting of the Council.

7. **SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION - DR. W.E.H. STANNER**

The Vice-Chancellor referred to a request made by the Minister for External Affairs that Dr. W.E.H. Stanner, Reader in Comparative Social Institutions, should act as Australian Second Commissioner of the South Pacific Commission. Such an appointment would involve attendance at two meetings per annum, each meeting occupying about a fortnight.

It was resolved that, subject to Professor Nadel's concurrence, the Council authorize Dr. Stanner to accept the appointment.

8. **PERMANENT MEDICAL BUILDINGS**

The Vice-Chancellor indicated the position reached in discussions with the Government concerning the construction of the permanent laboratories for the John Curtin School of Medical Research. These discussions were now at an advanced stage and the Vice-Chancellor hoped that in the next few days the Government would give a final answer to the University's request for authority to construct the block containing Wings C and D of the building.

9. **SIR DOUGLAS COPLAND**

The Chairman said that the Council's appreciation of Sir Douglas Copland's services to the University as its first Vice-Chancellor had already been recorded, and there would be a later occasion for members to bid Sir Douglas farewell personally. The present meeting was, however, the last which Sir Douglas would be able to attend. The Council accordingly resolved to extend its affectionate farewell to Sir Douglas on his ceasing active participation in its deliberations.

The meeting closed at 12.30 p.m.
The tenth meeting of the Council was held in the Council room at the University on Monday, 27th April, 1953, at 10.30 a.m.

Present: Professor M.L. Oliphant (Acting Vice-Chancellor), Professor Bailey, Mr. Barnard, Professor Burton, Dr. Cameron, Professor Ennor, Mr. Fry, Mr. Goodes, Sir David Rivett, Professor Sawer, Professor Ward, Dr. Wilson, Professor Wood, Professor Wright.

Sir Howard Florey was present by invitation, except for the discussions recorded in paragraphs 6(c)(1) and 12. The Registrar and the First Assistant Registrar were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. Beazley, Mr. A.S. Brown, Dr. Coombs, Mr. Dawes, Senator McCallum, Senator Tangney and General Windeyer.

1. CHAIRMANSHIP:

It was resolved that Sir David Rivett be elected to take the Chair at the present meeting.

2. MINUTES:

The minutes of the ninth meeting held on 22nd January, 1953 (29/1953), having been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

3. CONGRATULATIONS: PROFESSOR R. v.d.R. WOOLLEY, F.R.S.:

The Council noted with pleasure Professor Woolley's recent election as a Fellow of the Royal Society and asked that its congratulations be conveyed to him.

4. LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

It was resolved that leave of absence be granted as follows:

(a) From Council Meetings -

Mr. K.E. Beazley and Mr. A.S. Brown: until the end of June.

Professor J.G. Wood: for the duration of his forthcoming absence abroad.

/Dr. D.A. Cameron
Dr. D.A. Cameron: until the end of July.
Professor K.H. Bailey: until 15th August.

(b) From Meetings of the Advisers on Legislation -
    Mr. H.F.E. Whitlam: until June 15th.

5. MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL:

(a) Resignation, Mr. N. Barnard -
    It was reported that Mr. Barnard, a member of the Council elected by the students, had indicated his desire to retire from the Council as from 30th June, 1953. It was resolved that Mr. Barnard's resignation be accepted from the date mentioned.

(b) Members elected by the Senate -
    It was reported that Senators Tangney and McCallum, whose term of office was to expire on 30th June, 1953, had been re-elected by the Senate for two years as from 1st July, 1953.

(c) Members elected by the House of Representatives -
    It was reported that Mr. Beazley and Dr. Cameron, whose terms of office were to expire on 30th June, 1953, had been re-elected by the House of Representatives for two years as from 1st July, 1953.

(d) Members elected by Convocation -
    It was reported that an election was being conducted to fill five seats, including those of the following members who would retire on 30th June, 1953:

    Professor Burton,
    Professor Ward,
    Professor Wright.

The other two seats had come into existence for the first time owing to the increase in the number of members of Convocation.

(e) Members elected by the Staff -
    It was reported that an election was being conducted to fill the place vacated by Professor A.H. Ennor and Professor M.L. Oliphant, whose tenure would expire on 30th June, 1953. In this connection the Council considered a draft list of persons entitled to vote at this election (232/1953).

    It was resolved that the list be approved as submitted.

(f) Members elected
(f) **Members elected by the Students**

It was reported that an election was being conducted to fill two seats, that of Mr. E.C. Fry whose term would expire on 30th June, and that of Mr. N. Barnard, who had resigned from the same date.

6. **STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL**:

(a) **Meeting of 13th February, 1953**

The minutes of this meeting (61/1953) were submitted and noted, attention being directed in particular to paragraph 7, Vesting of University Site, and paragraph 8, Permanent Medical Buildings. During discussion of paragraph 5, Assistance to Research Project, Professor C. Birkett Clews, Sir David Rivett gave notice that at the next meeting of the Council he would move the appointment of a Committee to consider financial and other relations between the Australian National University and other Australian bodies concerned in the conduct of research.

(b) **Meeting of 13th March, 1953**

The minutes of this meeting (147/1953) and the minutes of the Finance Committee's meeting of 12th February, 1953 (100/1953) were submitted and action taken as follows:

(i) **Paragraph 5, Advisers on Status and Promotions**

Mr. J.W. Blamey's appointment as a Fellow in the Research School of Physical Sciences was noted.

(ii) **Paragraph 6, Board of Graduate Studies**

The proceedings of the Board were noted, attention being drawn to paragraph 2, Readership in Statistics, paragraph 3, Readership in Optics, paragraph 4, Senior Research Fellow in Far Eastern History, paragraph 7, Senior Research Fellow in Theoretical Physics, and paragraph 18, Readership in Geophysics.

The Council approved the principles suggested by the Board to govern outside teaching commitments, viz.:-

(A) The University is anxious for staff members who are willing to do so to participate in the work of the other Universities by taking occasional seminar courses and by delivering short courses of lectures at an advanced level.

/(B) It was the
(B) It was the view of the Academic Advisory Committee and of the Interim Council that staff should be shielded from pressures, which were regarded as inevitable, for them to become involved in undergraduate teaching other than to a limited degree at true honours level.

(C) The Head of a Department or supervisor might well regard some teaching as an essential part of the training of a junior Research Fellow or student.

The Council noted the principles enunciated by the Board on assistance to research projects, viz:—

"The Board was of opinion that the University should not normally make grants of money to assist work being done in other places. From time to time it would be possible to lend articles of equipment, or even people with highly specialised technical skills, to assist such work, but this kind of assistance would only be given when the work concerned was being done on this University's initiative or was of special interest as being ancillary to work being done in the University."

It was resolved that a decision on this matter be deferred until the Council gave consideration to Sir David Rivett's motion mentioned above (see paragraph 6(a)).

It was resolved that the remaining matters mentioned in the Standing Committee's minutes be noted with approval.

(c) Meeting of 15th April, 1963 -

The minutes of this meeting (222/1953) were submitted and dealt with as follows:—

Paragraph 1 - Sir Howard Florey -

The Acting Vice-Chancellor placed on the table copies of a letter dated 23rd April, 1953, from Sir Howard Florey (228/1953) concerning his future relations with the University. Professor Oliphant said that he was strongly of the opinion that the University should retain Sir Howard's services as Adviser on the John Curtin School of Medical Research, and that he had ascertained from discussions he had had that the Professors of the School felt that there should be a School Dean with a status the same as that of other Deans.
Several members of the Council asked whether it was quite clear that no person of sufficient distinction and suitably wide interests was available for appointment as Director of the School. In answer Professor Ennor said that the selection and appointment of such a person would be a matter of the utmost difficulty and he and his colleagues had come to the conclusion that the retention of Sir Howard's services as Adviser offered the best solution of the problems of the present situation.

Discussion also took place on the relationship between an Adviser on the Medical School and a Dean of the School; on the comparability of the Deanship contemplated for the Medical School and those in being in the Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies; and on the wisdom of issuing a public statement on the future of Sir Howard's relations with the University.

It was finally resolved:

(i) that the Council receive with great regret Sir Howard Florey's intimation that he is not able to accept the invitation issued to him by the Interim Council to become Director of the John Curtin School of Medical Research, and that in view of Sir Howard's observations as to its grounds accept the decision;

(ii) that the Council offer its very sincere thanks to Sir Howard for his assistance over many years in the development of the Medical School;

(iii) that Sir Howard be invited to continue to act as Adviser on the School (on conditions to be agreed with him) on major decisions involved in the School's development;

(iv) that the question of the creation of a Deanship in the Medical School and the detailed conditions of Sir Howard's service as Adviser be referred to the Standing Committee for consideration and report;

(v) that when the matters mentioned in paragraph (iv) above are settled, consideration should be given to the issue of a public statement.

Paragraph 2 - Dr. A.G. Sanders -

The Council noted the action taken to extend Dr. Sanders' visit to Australia.
Paragraph 3 - John Curtin School of Medical Research - Permanent Buildings - Architectural Responsibility -

The Acting Vice-Chancellor submitted a memorandum (246/1953) containing his recommendations in this matter. Attached to the memorandum were copies of letters from Professor Lewis to the Registrar (17th April, 1953), from the Director-General of Works to the Acting Vice-Chancellor (22nd April, 1953) and from the Director of Architecture in the Department of Works to the Director-General of Works (21st April, 1953).

A full discussion took place, during which Professor Oliphant and Sir Howard Florey outlined the history of the architectural work on the building for the Physics School and the plans for the Medical School building. It was then unanimously resolved to adopt Professor Oliphant's recommendations, viz. :-

(i) that the firm of Mussen, Mackay & Potter of Melbourne, be employed to carry out the design, engineering and supervision of buildings and all mechanical and electrical services for the Medical School, in general accord with the plans drawn up by Professor Lewis and the Department of Works, who have withdrawn; the fees payable to Professor Lewis, the Department of Works, and Mussen, Mackay & Potter to be determined by mutual agreement according to the rules of the Australian Institute of Architects;

(ii) that letters be sent to Professor Lewis and the Department of Works informing them of this decision and thanking them for their offer to hand over to Mussen, Mackay & Potter the plans, specifications, design studies, etc., which have been prepared. At the same time the Department of Works should be requested to continue to advise the University upon such matters as the choice of builder and other contractors and upon specialised technical problems, in accordance with the offer made by Dr. Loder.

Paragraph 8 - New Staff Category - Senior Fellow -

In connection with this matter the Acting Vice-Chancellor submitted a memorandum (350/1953) explaining the grounds of the Standing Committee's recommendation for the establishment of a staff category of Senior Fellow.

After discussion
After discussion it was resolved that the new category be established in accordance with the recommendation of the Standing Committee.

The other paragraphs of the Standing Committee's minutes were noted.

7. **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

The Council considered the minutes of the Finance Committee's meeting of 12th March, 1953 (169/1953) and the documents referred to in them.

It was resolved that the revised estimates for 1952-53 (paragraph 4) be adopted and that the power delegated by the Council on 12th October, 1951, to Directors to approve requisitions for goods and services within the limits of their respective budgets be extended to the Deans and to the Librarian (paragraph 5). Attention was also directed to paragraph 6, Field Research Expenses, and paragraph 8, Brassey House and Cafeteria, and it was then resolved that the Finance Committee's recommendations as a whole be adopted.

8. **BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES**

(a) **Meeting of 27th February, 1953** -

The report of this meeting, having been dealt with during the consideration of the Standing Committee's minutes (see item 6(b)), was received.

(b) **Meeting of 10th April, 1953** -

The Council considered a report of this meeting (224/1953) to which were attached the documents referred to in the report. In the discussion of paragraph 15 of the report, Visiting Professorship of Economics and Finance, it was noted that Professor Swan's name had been omitted apparently in error from the proposed Electoral Board for the new Visiting Professorship of Economics and Finance.

It was resolved that the recommendations contained in the Board's report be adopted, including that for the establishment of the Visiting Professorship of Economics and Finance.

9. **ADVISERS ON UNIVERSITY HOUSE AND ADVISERS ON BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS**

The minutes of a joint meeting of these Advisers held on 24th March, 1953 (173/1953) concerning the colour of the external painting of University House, were submitted and noted.

10. **ADVISERS ON UNIVERSITY HOUSE**

The minutes of a meeting held on 1st April, 1953 (213/1953) were submitted.

/During discussion
During discussion of paragraph 2, Draft Rules for University House, it was suggested that the Council must retain authority to appoint the Master of University House (even if a nomination is presented by the Fellows); that the Council must have power to dismiss the Master and Fellows if the occasion should arise; that all members of the academic staff and all students of the University ought ipso facto to be members of University House; and that the constitution of St. Catherine's Society, Oxford, would repay study in connection with the question of the membership of University House.

It was resolved to approve in principle the draft Rules submitted by the Advisers; to ask the Advisers on Legislation to prepare a draft set of Rules on the basis of the draft now submitted; and to ask the Advisers on University House to give further consideration to the Rules in the light of the present discussion.

The other paragraphs of the Advisers' minutes were noted.

11. ADVISERS ON LEGISLATION: VICE-CHANCELLORSHIP STATUTE:

(a) Meeting of 25th February, 1953 -

The minutes of this meeting (101/1953) were considered and the following action taken:

(i) Vice-Chancellorship Statute and Resolution -

It was resolved that a Vice-Chancellorship Statute be made in the terms approved by the Advisers and attached to these minutes (103/1953).

It was further resolved to record a resolution concerning the delegated powers of the Vice-Chancellor in the following form as recommended by the Advisers:

"The Council authorizes the Vice-Chancellor as executive officer of the University to transact such business as requires the authority of the Council and either by reason of its urgency calls for immediate action or by reason of its routine character or minor importance need not await a meeting of the Standing Committee. Action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in pursuance of this resolution shall be reported to the Council at its next meeting."

(ii) Committees on Appointments -

It was resolved, in accordance with the recommendation of the Advisers, that -

//"No officer
"No officer of the University may be a member of any committee within the University which is established to deal with the conditions of appointment to or tenure of the office which he occupies, with his performance of the duties of that office, or with any appointment to that office."

(iii) Enrolment of Students -
Noted.

(b) Meeting of 1st April, 1953 -

The minutes of the meeting of 1st April, 1953 (204/1953) were submitted and noted.

12. VICE-CHANCELLORSHIP:

In the absence of Dr. Coombs, Dr. Wilson reported the further proceedings of the Council's Committee on the Vice-Chancellorship. He explained the steps which had been taken to make known in the United Kingdom, New Zealand, South Africa and Canada the fact that the University proposed to proceed to the appointment of a Vice-Chancellor. He also mentioned that during his current visit to the United Kingdom Dr. Coombs had been able to make enquiries on the Committee's behalf and hold discussions with the Chancellor and with certain candidates for appointment.

The Committee now had three candidates in mind, two of whom were known to be willing to consider favourably an invitation to consider favourably an invitation to occupy the Vice-Chancellorship. The Committee was to arrange a further interview with one of these three gentlemen. When this interview had taken place the Committee proposed to circulate to each member of the Council a full written report and recommendation, and suggested that this document should be discussed at a special meeting of the Council, if possible within three or four weeks of the present meeting.

The Chairman (Sir David Rivett) then mentioned the names of the three candidates referred to by Dr. Wilson. Members of the Council expressed the view that in each case details of the candidate's record should be circulated to the Council only if he were known to be willing to consider accepting appointment, and Dr. Wilson said that the Committee would bear this point in mind.

It was agreed that the procedure suggested by the Committee should be followed.

Dr. Wilson, continuing his report, said that Professor Oliphant had, at the Committee's earnest request, agreed to continue to act as Vice-Chancellor until the next meeting of the Council, at which time the Committee would make a specific proposal about an acting appointment pending the arrival of a new Vice-Chancellor. The Council resolved to confirm the Committee's action in this matter and to appoint Professor Oliphant as chief executive officer of the University under the title of "Acting Vice-Chancellor" until the next meeting of the Council.
13. **CONVOCATION : PROFESSOR A.D. TRENDALL**

On the motion of Professor Ward it was unanimously resolved, an absolute majority of the members of the Council being present, that Professor A.D. Trendall, Professor of Greek in the University of Sydney, be admitted as an additional member of Convocation.

14. **VISITING SCHOLAR : PROFESSOR G.S. WILSON**

The Acting Vice-Chancellor reported that after consultation with Sir Howard Florey and senior members of the staff of the Medical School he had declined a proposal made by the Australian Postgraduate Federation in Medicine that the University should invite to Australia Professor G.S. Wilson, Professor of Bacteriology as applied to Hygiene, London.

15. **CANBERRA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE : BUILDINGS**

The Acting Vice-Chancellor read a letter dated 16th April, 1953, from the Registrar of the Canberra University College asking whether the Council was in a position to confirm an understanding reached by the Interim Council and conveyed to the College in a letter dated 12th December, 1949, concerning the allocation of land on the University site for the purposes of a building for the College.

It was resolved that the understanding mentioned be confirmed; that the Architect, Mr. Scollay, be asked to consider, in consultation with the College authorities, the site and nature of a building for the College and that the matter be then considered by the Council's Advisers on Buildings and Grounds.

At the suggestion of the Acting Vice-Chancellor it was resolved that the Board of Graduate Studies should be asked to discuss the question of the relations between the University and the College in the immediate future.

16. **ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE FUND**

The Council considered a document (247/1953) in which it was indicated that Professor Bailey had suggested the rescission of the minute recorded by the Council on 15th August, 1952, concerning the Advancement of Science Fund, and the substitution for that minute of a minute in the following form:-

"The Vice-Chancellor said he had informed the Commissioner of Taxation that the University has established a fund for the encouragement of scientific research, out of which it proposed to make payments from time to time against approved proposals by the Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science. He read a letter from the Commissioner intimating that contributions to the fund would be allowable deductions for income tax purposes, provided they are made by the donors to the University and become the property of the University.

It was resolved that the Fund be named 'The Advancement of Science Fund'; that it be administered by two trustees, namely the Vice-Chancellor and either Professor K.H. Bailey or Dr. Roland Wilson; and that the beneficiaries be authorized to make, at the request of the Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science, payments to the Association or on its behalf for objects approved by the trustees."

/It was resolved
It was resolved that the motion proposed by Professor Bailey and the legal and other difficulties associated with the administration of this Fund, be referred to the Council's Advisers on Legislation for report to the Standing Committee.

18. **ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE 1953-54**

It was resolved to ask the Acting Vice-Chancellor and Mr. Goode to make a preliminary examination of the draft Estimates for 1953-54 before their submission to the Council.

7th May, 1953.
WHEREAS by section 18 of the Act provision is made for the appointment, on such conditions as the Council determines, of a Vice-Chancellor who shall be the executive officer of the University:

AND WHEREAS by sections 11 and 24 of the Act it is provided that the Vice-Chancellor shall ex officio be a member of the Council and the chairman of the Standing Committee of the Council:

AND WHEREAS by the Board of Graduate Studies Statute it is provided that the Vice-Chancellor shall be a member and the chairman of the Board:

AND WHEREAS it is expedient to make further provision by Statute with respect, amongst other things, to the powers duties and tenure of office of the Vice-Chancellor:

THE COUNCIL hereby makes the following Statute:-
1. The Vice-Chancellor has the general oversight of the affairs, is responsible to the Council for the administration, and promotes generally the interests, of the University.
2. The powers and functions of the Vice-Chancellor are exercisable in accordance with the Statutes, with the Rules or other instruments having the force of Statutes, and with the resolutions of the Council.
3. The Vice-Chancellor is ex officio a member of all boards and committees within the University.
4. The Council may by order at the time of appointing a Vice-Chancellor fix the period of his appointment.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

COUNCIL

A special meeting of the Council (being the 11th meeting) was held at the University on Friday, 29th May, 1953, at 9.30 a.m.

Present: Mr. Barnard,
Professor Burton,
Mr. Dawes,
Professor Emnor,
Mr. Fry,
Mr. Goodes,
Senator McCallum,
Professor Oliphant,
Sir David Rivett,
Professor Sawer,
Senator Tangney,
Professor Ward,
Dr. Wilson,
General Windeyer,
Professor Wright.

Sir Howard Florey attended by invitation for that part of the meeting which was not concerned with the Vice-Chancellorship.

The Registrar and the First Assistant Registrar were in attendance.

1. CHAIRMANSHIP:

It was resolved that Sir David Rivett be elected to take the Chair at the present meeting.

2. MINUTES:

The minutes of the tenth meeting held on 27th April, 1953 (266/1953), having been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

3. VICE-CHANCELLORSHIP:

It was agreed that for the consideration of this item the Council should resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

When the Council resumed it was reported that the committee recommended the appointment of Mr. Melville as Vice-Chancellor.

The Council then resolved, nem. con.:

(a) that Leslie Galfreid Melville, C.B.E., B.Ec.(Sydney), F.I.A., be invited to accept appointment as Vice-Chancellor of the University;

(b) that the commencing date of the appointment be a matter of agreement between Mr. Melville and the Council but that Mr. Melville be acquainted with the Council's strong desire that he should take office as soon as practicable;

(c) that the
(c) that the tenure of the appointment be similar to that of a Professor, i.e., that the Vice-Chancellor should retire at 65, with the option of retiring at 60;

(d) that there be in the Vice-Chancellor's conditions of appointment a provision dealing with paid outside work similar to that included in the conditions of appointment of Professors;

(e) that the superannuation provision to be made for the Vice-Chancellor should be the subject of negotiation with Mr. Melville.

After a discussion of the arrangements to be made for the period before Mr. Melville took office it was resolved:

(a) that Professor Oliphant be asked to continue to act as the University's chief executive officer, with the title of Acting Vice-Chancellor, until the details of Mr. Melville's programme become known;

(b) that Professor Oliphant should attend as Vice-Chancellor the Seventh Quinquennial Congress of the Universities of the Commonwealth;

(c) that Professor Oliphant should, for the whole period of his service as Acting Vice-Chancellor, receive an entertainment allowance at the rate normally made to the Vice-Chancellor.

4. STANDING COMMITTEE:

The Council considered a report of consultations which had taken place between the Acting Vice-Chancellor and certain members of the Standing Committee on 8th May, 1953 (309/1953).

(a) John Curtin School of Medical Research -

(i) Adviser and Dean -

It was resolved that Sir Howard Florey should continue to act in his present role as Adviser to the School; that his relationship and communications should normally be with the Dean of the School but he might occasionally wish to bring matters directly to the notice of the Vice-Chancellor; that it should be understood that any difference of viewpoint between the Adviser and the Dean should be brought to the notice of the Council; and that Sir Howard's honorarium should continue at the present rate (£750 stg. per annum).

It was further resolved, on Sir Howard's recommendation, to appoint Professor Ennor as Dean of the Medical School for two years on the conditions applying to the Deans of the Research Schools of
Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies, save that he should consult Sir Howard on matters of major policy.

Sir Howard told the Council that he had conducted some research in recent weeks in the temporary laboratories of the School, he had found the facilities for research very good and was well pleased with the development of the School generally.

(ii) Sir Howard Florey - Press Statement -

It was resolved that the press statement recommended in the report be approved in the form attached to these minutes (333/1953)

(iii) Architects' Fees -

The Council noted the progress which had been made concerning the fixing of a fee to be paid to Professor Lewis in respect of the work he had done in connection with the Medical School. It was resolved to authorize the Vice-Chancellor, in consultation with Dr. Wilson, to deal with this matter on the Council's behalf.

(iv) Temporary Laboratories - Department of Experimental Pathology -

Noted with approval.

(v) Staff -

Noted with approval.

(b) Department of Far Eastern History -

In accordance with the recommendation contained in the report and on the advice of the Board of Graduate Studies (see paragraph 6 below), it was resolved that a Chair of Far Eastern History be created and that steps be taken to make an appointment to it.

5. ADVISERS ON STATUS AND PROMOTIONS:

The minutes of the meeting of the Advisers held on 15th May, 1953 (311/1953) were submitted and it was resolved to appoint Dr. G.B. Mackaness a Senior Fellow and to extend Dr. G.M. Watson's Senior Research Fellowship on conditions recommended by the Advisers.

6. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES:

A report of the meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies held on 15th May, 1953 (305/1953) was submitted, and dealt with as follows:

/1. Fees - Liability
1. Fees - Liability of Members of Staff -

It was resolved, on the Board's recommendation, that Research Assistants be required to pay full fees, but that Research Fellows who became degree candidates be required to pay only an examination fee on submission of their theses and a degree fee on the conferring of the degree, the fixing of these two latter fees being referred to the Finance Committee.

2. Staff Policy Matters -

It was resolved, on the Board's recommendation:

(a) Readers -
that the maximum allowance to Readers for expenses whilst on study leave be increased from £750 to £800.

(b) Senior Fellows -
(i) that recommendations for the appointment of Senior Fellows be made to the Board of Graduate Studies by the Director or Dean after consultation with the Heads of Departments in the School concerned;
(ii) that Senior Fellows be entitled to study leave of one year in every six, the contribution made by the University towards expenses being limited to £700.

(c) Research Fellows and Senior Research Fellows -
(i) that recommendations for appointments to Research Fellowships and Senior Research Fellowships be made to the Board of Graduate Studies by the Director or Dean after consultation with the Heads of Departments in the School concerned;
(ii) that, to enable the expeditious appointment of suitably qualified persons when they become available, appointments to Research Fellowships may be made at any time whether the vacancies have been advertised or not;
(iii) that the Board's consideration of the Council's resolution at its 4th meeting (paragraph 6(a)(ii)(A), (D), and (E)) be approved, the Council noting the Board's intimation that while advertisement of vacancies should be normal, the Board would in /exceptional cases
exceptional cases after recommendation from the appropriate School, propose appointments to grades below that of Reader without advertisement;

(iv) that, on the advice of the Director or Dean, an appointment to a Research Fellowship or Senior Research Fellowship may be made for any period between three terms and the normal tenure of three to five years, and that the Vice-Chancellor should work out a scheme for dealing with the salaries, superannuation, fares and allowances to be made to persons taking short-term appointments.

(a) Membership of Faculties and School Committees -

(i) that ex officio membership of Faculties and School Committees be confined to permanent members of the academic staff;

(ii) that members of staff holding temporary appointments may be co-opted as members of Faculties or School Committees.

(e) Appointment of Scholars to the Staff -

that in cases where scholars or temporary staff members are recommended for appointment to permanent staff positions the appointments should be regarded as first appointments and not be referred to the Advisers on Status and Promotions.

3. Faculty Structure -

It was resolved that the draft Faculties Statute and Rules now before the Board be referred to the Council's Advisers on Legislation for further consideration in the light of the Board's discussion.

4. Conditions of Service of Research Assistants -

It was resolved, on the Board's recommendation:

(a) that no more Research Assistants be appointed, though the tenure and conditions of present Research Assistants should be left undisturbed;

(b) that a new grade of Departmental Assistant be created;

/(c) that the
(c) that the decision to appoint a Departmental Assistant, the selection of candidates, the settling of a salary, and similar matters should be dealt with within the School concerned, the appointment being made by the Vice-Chancellor and reported to the Finance Committee;

(d) that there should be no requirement that a Departmental Assistant should be a graduate. On the other hand, where such a person had appropriate qualifications, there should be no prohibition of his becoming a student. Where he did so he would normally be a candidate for a Master's degree;

(e) that there should be flexibility in period of appointment of Departmental Assistants;

(f) that the basic salary of a Departmental Assistant should not exceed £750 per annum. Subject to this, there should be freedom to fix a salary range, and to allow increments within it;

(g) that Departmental Assistants should be treated, for purposes of leave and superannuation, in the same way as clerical officers;

(h) that the question of superannuation provision for scholars should be reconsidered.

5. Part-time Students -

It was noted that consideration of the admission of part-time students for degrees had been deferred.

6. Scholarship Matters -

(a) General Scholarships -

The Council resolved to defer decision on the Board's recommendation that the award of General Scholarships be discontinued and that the question of the use of the funds so freed should be referred for advice to a committee comprising the Acting Vice-Chancellor and the Deans.

(b) Extension -

It was noted that, on the advice of Professor Wheare, Mr. C.M. Williams' scholarship had been extended from 31st March, 1953, until 23rd August, 1953.

/(c) New Awards -
7. **New Awards**

(i) **Mr. L.W. Wheeldon**

The award of a scholarship in the Department of Biochemistry to Mr. L.W. Wheeldon, B.Sc. (Sydney), as from 15th June, 1953, was noted.

(ii) **Sub-department of Physical Biochemistry**

The appointment of a scholar to train for work in the sub-department of Physical Biochemistry on the conditions recommended by the Board, was approved.

7. **Fellowship Matters**

(a) **Department of Biochemistry**

It was resolved to appoint Dr. R.L. Blakley and Mr. J.P. Morrison to Research Fellowships in the Department of Biochemistry.

(b) **Department of Experimental Pathology**

It was resolved to appoint Dr. L.P. Dodson and Dr. Harold Kramer to Senior Research Fellowships in the Department of Experimental Pathology, and to approve Dr. Kramer's holding his Rockefeller Fellowship and taking up his appointment in the University in say September, 1954.

8. **Research School of Social Sciences**

**Annual Report for 1952**

The Annual Report for 1952 of the Research School of Social Sciences (268/1953) was received.

9. **Department of Far Eastern History**

It was resolved that a Chair of Far Eastern History be established within the Research School of Pacific Studies and a first appointment to it be authorized. It was noted that the Board of Graduate Studies proposed to set up an electoral board comprising the Acting Vice-Chancellor and Professors Davidson, Nadel, Sawer and Spate to consider an appointment to the Chair.

10. **Department of Social Philosophy - Readership or Senior Fellowship**

It was resolved to authorize the establishment of a Readership in the Department of Social Philosophy, the intention being to proceed in the next few months with the appointment either of a Reader or a Senior Fellow. It was noted that the Board of Graduate Studies proposed to set up an electoral board comprising the Acting Vice-Chancellor, Professors Eccles, Nadel, Partridge and Sawer.

/11. Research
11. Research School of Physical Sciences -

(a) Senior Research Fellowships and Visiting Professorship in the Department of Theoretical Physics -

It was resolved that Dr. S.T. Butler and Dr. B. Touschek be appointed to Senior Research Fellowships, and Dr. E. Salpeter to a Visiting Professorship in the Department of Theoretical Physics. In Dr. Salpeter's case it was decided that the University's total commitment should be limited to £2,500 for one academic year without a separate contribution for fares, superannuation, etc.

(b) Readership in Optics in the Department of Astronomy -

On the unanimous advice of the electoral board and the Board of Graduate Studies it was resolved to appoint Dr. Theodore Dunham, Jr., to the vacant Readership in Optics.

12. Outside Teaching Commitments -

It was resolved to adopt the Board's advice that the Council should be asked to delegate to the Board, and that the Board should delegate to the Heads of Departments, authority to approve the undertaking of teaching commitments within the principles previously approved; cases in which the Head of the Department was himself concerned should be discussed with the Dean or Director of the appropriate School.

13. Degrees for Members of Staff -

At the Board's suggestion it was agreed that the University should adopt the practice customary in universities of admitting certain permanent members of the staff to Masters' degrees in this University. It was noted that a provision with this object would be incorporated in the draft Enrolment, Courses of Research and Degrees Rules now before the Board.

14. Publication Committee -

It was noted that the Board's Committee on Publication policy in the Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies would be henceforth considered a Committee of the two Schools.

7. PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A GENERAL BOARD:

A memorandum from the Acting Vice-Chancellor (317/1953) was submitted. After discussion it was resolved to refer the memorandum to the Standing Committee for examination and report to the Council.
8. RELATION OF UNIVERSITY TO OTHER RESEARCH BODIES:

Sir David Rivett moved, pursuant to notice:

(a) that with a view to fostering the development of scientific research in Australia, it be suggested to the bodies named below that they send delegates to a conference to consider and report upon the financial and other relations between them best calculated to advance their common interests and responsibilities:

The Australian National Research Council
The Australian National University
The Universities of the several States
Federal and State Departments of State directly concerned with scientific research work
The Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization
The National Health and Medical Research Council

and such others as it may seem desirable to add:

(b) that the proposed conference be held in Canberra about the time of the next meeting of the Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science:

(c) that the Australian National Research Council be invited to organise the conference.

After discussion it was resolved (Dr. Wilson abstaining from voting):

(a) that the Council supports the effect sought to be produced by the resolution;

(b) that the bodies to be consulted should include the Social Sciences Research Council;

(c) that the University, having regard to its relations with the other Universities and learned bodies, should not take the initiative in this matter, but should suggest to the Australian National Research Council the desirability of such a meeting.

9. UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

It was resolved that the appointment of the first Master of University House should be recommended to the Council by the Fellows of the House. The Acting Vice-Chancellor agreed to suggest to the next meeting of the Council a panel of names from which the Council might appoint the original Fellows.

10. ADVISERS ON LEGISLATION:

The minutes of the meeting of the Advisers held on 22nd April, 1953 (244/1953) were submitted.
It was resolved that the Advisers' recommendations be adopted and that the Constitution of the Council (Period of Office) Rules be made in the form recommended by the Advisers and attached to these minutes (245/1953).

11. RETIRING COUNCILLORS:

The Council paid a special tribute to the work done for the University by Professor H.K. Ward who was attending his last meeting as a member of the Council. It also recorded its thanks to Professor Ennor and to Mr. Noel Barnard who would cease to be members of the Council on 30th June, 1953.

12. AFFIXATIONS OF THE SEAL:

A list of the documents to which the Seal had been affixed since the last meeting of the Council (313/1953) was submitted and noted.

17th June, 1953.
PRESS STATEMENT

For publication in
morning papers on
Thursday, 4th June, 1953.

THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Mr. John Gurtin, when Prime Minister of Australia, was greatly impressed by the possibilities for human health and happiness arising from the scientific approach to medicine. He authorized an invitation to Professor Sir Howard Florey, the distinguished Australian-born medical scientist who developed penicillin, to write a report upon the possibility of setting up a first class research institute for medical sciences in Australia. This report was one of the major stimulating influences which led to the establishment of the National University in Canberra.

After the passing of the Act establishing the National University in 1946, the Interim Council, which was charged with the duty of founding a working institution, invited four Australian scholars in the United Kingdom to act as its Academic Advisory Committee. These were Professor Sir Howard Florey, Professor Sir Keith Hancock, Professor Raymond Firth and Professor M.L. Oliphant. They were charged with the duty of establishing four research schools within the University and were invited, when the time was ripe, to become the Directors of these schools. Sir Howard Florey, who is
Professor of Pathology in the University of Oxford, has visited Australia on a number of occasions to advise the Council of the University upon appointments to the staff of the John Curtin School of Medical Research and the organization of the School. He has established in Canberra three departments of the Medical School - Microbiology, under Professor F.J. Fenner; Physiology, under Professor J.C. Eccles, F.R.S.; and Biochemistry, under Professor A.H. Ennor; each of which occupies temporary laboratories on the site. He has been active in placing research scholars in medical sciences in appropriate laboratories for training in the United Kingdom. During his visit to Canberra in September 1951 the plans for laboratories, which Sir Howard had drawn up with the aid of his colleagues, were approved by the University and the Government agreed to provide the necessary funds to erect them. However, owing to architectural delays and changes at this end, the plan was not implemented. Sir Howard is now in Canberra again and will be here until the middle of June.

With the co-operation of the architect for the main buildings of the University, Professor Brian Lewis of Melbourne, and of the Commonwealth Department of Works, which has supervised construction and acted as engineering consultants, the design, engineering and supervision of the large block of laboratories has been placed in the hands of Mussen, Mackay and Potter of Melbourne, and rapid progress towards completion of the plans is expected. It is hoped that the buildings for the John Curtin School of Medical Research will form part of the constructional programme in Canberra during the next financial year. The completion of these buildings will enable the three departments of the School at present working under cramped conditions in temporary buildings on the site, to expand to an effective size, and will make it possible for the Department of Medical Chemistry under Professor Adrien Albert, now housed temporarily in the Wellcome
in the Wellcome Research Institute, London, and the Department of Experimental Pathology housed in Oxford, to move to Canberra. Sir Howard Florey will then have established in Canberra an institute for research in the medical sciences staffed by men of the highest calibre and equipped to conduct research in the basic sciences of medicine, which will be good by any standards in the world.

For personal reasons Sir Howard has decided that he cannot accept the invitation of the Council of the University to become Director of the School. He regrets the necessity for this decision, but has indicated that he remains anxious to continue to help with the establishment and operation of the School in any way that he can, pending the appointment of a Director. The Council has discussed the position with Sir Howard and has accepted his generous offer to continue to help as its Adviser. He will visit Canberra regularly.

Dr. A.H. Ennor has agreed to serve for two years as Dean of the John Curtin School of Medical Research. He will be the executive head of the School. Meanwhile the Council of the University, with the help of Sir Howard Florey, will seek actively for a distinguished medical scientist as Director of the School.

20th May, 1953.
Explanatory Note -

These Rules provide that members of the Council elected by Parliament, and those appointed by the Governor-General, shall hold office for three years. A transitional provision is included which will ensure that the members concerned shall retire in rotation.

The new Rules will affect only those members taking office in July, 1955, and thereafter. The members taking office in July, 1953, will all serve for two years. It was necessary to arrange for the selection of these members before the new Rules were prepared, and the assumption was adopted that the Council would wish them to hold office on the same conditions as their predecessors. The Rules have been drafted so as not to upset the tenure of any member whose election or appointment has already been made or is in train.

"Constitution of the Council (Period of Office) Rules

(Made by the Council 1953)

1. The members of the Council elected under sub-sections (2) and (3) of section 11 of the Act and the members appointed under sub-section (4) of that section to hold office in each case from the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and fifty-three shall hold office for a period of two years.

2. Of the two members of the Council elected under sub-section (2) of section 11 of the Act to hold office from the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and fifty-five one (who shall be designated by the Senate) shall hold office for two years and the other shall hold office for three years. Thereafter all members elected under that sub-section shall hold office for three years.

3. Of the two members of the Council elected under sub-section (3) of section 11 of the Act to hold office from the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and fifty-five one (who shall be designated by the House of Representatives) shall hold office for two years, and the other shall hold office for three years. Thereafter all members elected under that sub-section shall hold office for three years.
4. If the number of members of the Council appointed under sub-section (4) of section 11 of the Act to hold office from the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and fifty-five is an even number, half of those members (who shall be designated by the Governor-General) shall hold office for two years, and the other half shall hold office for three years. If the number of members so appointed is an odd number, then a number of those members (who shall be designated by the Governor-General) equal to the next whole number greater than half their number shall hold office for two years, and the remaining members shall hold office for three years."
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

COUNCIL

The twelfth meeting of the Council was held in the Council room at the University on Friday, 14th August, 1953, at 10.30 a.m.

Present: Professor Oliphant (Acting Vice-Chancellor),
Mr. W.D. Borrie,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Professor H. Burton,
Dr. D.A. Cameron,
Professor J.W. Davidson,
Mr. E.R. Dawes,
Professor J.C. Eccles,
Mr. E.C. Fry,
Mr. H.J. Goodes,
Mr. A.W. Martin,
Mr. Warren McDonald,
Sir David Rivett,
Dr. Roland Wilson,
Professor R.D. Wright.

The Registrar and the First Assistant Registrar were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Dr. Coombs,
Senator McCallum, Professor Sawyer, Senator Tangney and
Major-General Windeyer.

1. CHAIRMANSHIP:

It was resolved that Sir David Rivett be elected to take the Chair at the present meeting.

2. MINUTES:

The minutes of the eleventh meeting held on 29th May, 1953 (345/1953) having been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

3. QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS:

It was reported that Her Majesty, in the last Birthday Honours List, had honoured the following members of the University:

Professor H.K. Bailey,
Major-General W.J.V. Windeyer,
Professor R. v.d.R. Woolley.

The Council asked that its congratulations be extended to these gentlemen.
MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL:

(a) Changes in Membership

The Registrar submitted a list (453/1953) showing recent changes in the membership of the Council and indicating that the present membership was as follows:

- **Members elected by the Senate** -
  - Senator J.A. McCallum,
  - Senator D.M. Tangney.

- **Members elected by House of Representatives** -
  - Mr. K.E. Beazley,
  - Dr. D.A. Cameron.

- **Members appointed by Governor-General** -
  - Mr. A.S. Brown,
  - Mr. E.R. Dawes,
  - Mr. H.J. Goodes,
  - Mr. Warren McDonald,
  - Sir Frank Richardson,
  - Sir David Rivett,

- **Members elected by Convocation** -
  - Professor K.H. Bailey,
  - Mr. W.D. Borrie,
  - Professor H. Burton,
  - Dr. H.C. Coombs,
  - Professor J.W. Davidson,
  - Dr. Roland Wilson,
  - Professor J.G. Wood,
  - Professor R.D. Wright.

- **Ex officio member** -
  - The Vice-Chancellor.

- **Members elected by Students** -
  - Mr. E.C. Fry,
  - Mr. A.W. Martin.

- **Members elected by Staff** -
  - Professor J.C. Eccles,
  - Professor P.H. Partridge,
  - Professor G. Sawyer.

- **Co-opted Member** -
  - The Chancellor.

The Chairman extended a welcome to Professors Davidson and Eccles and Messrs. McDonald, Borrie and Martin. The Council was informed that the other two new members, Sir Frank Richardson and Professor Partridge, were at present absent from Australia.

(b) Co-option - Professor M.L. Oliphant

The Chairman reported that, during an adjournment of the present meeting, a meeting had been convened for the purpose of considering co-options to the Council, and that that meeting had resolved to co-opt Professor Oliphant as a member of the Council for two years from 1st July, 1953; the report was received.

(c) Committees
(c) Committees and Groups of Advisers -

The Registrar submitted a table (461/1953) showing the present membership of the Council's committees and groups of advisers. It was resolved:-

(i) to appoint Dr. H.C. Coombs as a member of the Standing Committee, the constitution of that Committee being -

The Vice-Chancellor (Chairman),
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Dr. H.C. Coombs,
Professor M.L.E. Oliphant,
Professor G. Sawyer,
Dr. Roland Wilson,
Professor R.D. Wright.

The Council considered the desirability of some formal requirement for the retirement in rotation of the members of this Committee, but decided to take no action.

(ii) to appoint Dr. D.A. Cameron as a member of the Finance Committee, the membership of that Committee now being -

The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor K.H. Bailey,
Mr. K.E. Beazley,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Dr. D.A. Cameron,
Dr. H.C. Coombs (Chairman),
Mr. H.J. Goodes,
Professor M.L.E. Oliphant,
Professor R.D. Wright.

(iii) that the constitution of the Advisers on Status and Promotions be as follows:-

The Vice-Chancellor (Chairman),
The Directors and Deans,
Mr. H.P. Brown (Board of Graduate Studies representative),
Professor H. Burton.

(iv) to dissolve the group of Advisers on Buildings and Grounds and to appoint instead a sub-committee on Buildings and Grounds to advise the Standing Committee or the Vice-Chancellor on such matters pertaining to buildings and grounds as are referred to it, the sub-committee comprising: -

The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. Warren McDonald,
Mr. Pryor,

and such other members as the Standing Committee might think fit to add. The Council understood that the Staff Architect would be available to assist the sub-committee.

/(v) to defer
(v) to defer a decision concerning the Advisers on University House until later in the present meeting.

(vi) to dissolve the group of Advisers on Houses and Tenancies following their own advice that their consideration of basic policy was now effectively finished. The Council asked the Registrar to provide a memorandum on the decisions which are required as a result of the dissolution of this group of advisers, and directed that in the meantime the present procedure be continued, the Advisers being consulted informally on houses and tenancies matters.

(vii) that no change be made in the composition of the group of Advisers on Legislation, the membership of that group being -

The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor K.H. Bailey,
Mr. M. Brown,
Sir Robert Garran,
Professor G. Sawyer,
Mr. H.F.E. Whitlam,
Dr. Roland Wilson.

(viii) that no change be made in the composition of the group of Advisers on Scholars' Emoluments, the membership of that group being -

The Vice-Chancellor (Chairman),
Mr. H.F. Brown,
Mr. H.J. Goodes.

5. UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

(a) Appointment of Original Fellows -

The Council considered a memorandum (410/1953) prepared at the Council's request by the Acting Vice-Chancellor, in which Professor Oliphant recommended the appointment of certain persons as Fellows of University House.

After discussion, it was resolved:-

(i) to appoint the following persons as Fellows for the periods shown:

Dr. G.A. Joplin }
Dr. S.N. Fazekas  } for one year
               de St. Groth 
Professor J.C. Eccles  } for
Professor R. v.d.R. Woolley two
Professor P.H. Partridge  } years
Dr. W.E. Stanner  } for three
Professor P.A.P. Moran  } years

(ii) to empower the Vice-Chancellor, in consultation with the Fellows, to appoint the eighth Fellow, the suggestion being that he should be selected with his /appointment as
appointment as Steward in mind, and that he should in those circumstances sit for three years.

(iii) subject to the agreement of the Fellows, to appoint Dr. Stanner Chairman and Convener of the Fellows, and Professor Moran Bursar of the House.

(iv) to commend to the Fellows the desirability of inviting the President of the Students' Association or a resident student appointed to deputise for him to such parts of their meetings as they think appropriate. (Mr. Fry said that this action would meet the desire for representation expressed by the Students' Association in a letter of 6th July, 1953, which was now before the Council (441/1953).

(v) to ask the Fellows to proceed as speedily as they feel able to nominate a person for appointment as Master. The Council expressed the hope that the Fellows would be able to present to the next meeting of the Standing Committee either an actual nomination, or at any rate a statement of their view as to the financial and other conditions of appointment, and its place in the structure of the University.

(vi) to disband the Council's group of Advisers on University House, and to express to its members the Council's appreciation of their contribution to the foundation of the House.

6. STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL:

(a) Meeting of 12th June, 1953 -

The minutes of the Standing Committee's meeting of 12th June, 1953 (356/1953) were submitted and received, action being taken as follows on the items mentioned: -

Item 7(a) Amendment of Election Rules -

The Council resolved to make the amendment to the Elections (Members of the Council) Rules recommended by the Standing Committee, namely: -

"Explanatory Note

The Rules governing the election of members of the Council prescribe in detail the method of counting votes. When the number of votes cast for a particular candidate reaches a prescribed quota, the later preferences shown on the voting papers concerned are transferred, at a reduced value, to other candidates. The Rules direct that, in calculating /the number of
the number of votes to be transferred to these other candidates, fractional remainders are to be disregarded. For example, if a candidate's share of the votes on transfer is, strictly calculated, 1.9 votes, he gets only one.

This disregarding of fractions can make significant differences to the outcome of elections, especially where constituencies are small. The present amendment removes the direction that fractions are to be disregarded. The change will not materially increase the complexity of the counting procedure.

ELECTIONS (MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL) RULES

AMENDING RULE NO. 2 — TRANSFERENCE OF VOTES

(Made by the Council, 1953)

In section 13 of the Schedule, from paragraph (a) of sub-section (5) and from sub-paragraph (iv) of paragraph (c) of sub-section (7), delete the words ‘disregarding any fractional remainder’.

Item 13 Australian National University Students' Association — Membership —

After discussion of the Students' Association's letter of 3rd June, 1953 (339/1953), Mr. Fry by leave withdrew this proposal for further discussion by the Association.

(b) Meeting of 10th July, 1953 —

The minutes of the Standing Committee's meeting of 10th July, 1953 (400/1953), were submitted and received.

7. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

(a) Meeting of 12th July, 1953 —

The minutes of the Finance Committee's meeting of 12th June, 1953 (355/1953), which had already been considered by the Standing Committee, were submitted and received. In connection with Item 9(a), Universities Press, Professor Davidson mentioned that the Publication Committee was about to present to the Faculties of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies a report which would suggest collaboration with the Melbourne University Press for the publication of work by members of the staff of this University in the next two or three years,
but which would also contemplate the possible emergency at a later stage of a joint Universities Press. It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor to negotiate with the Melbourne University Press concerning immediate publishing needs and to continue enquiries on the long term proposal made by the Standing Committee. Sir David Rivett asked that the publishing needs and facilities of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization be borne in mind during these discussions.

(b) Meeting of 10th July, 1953 -

The minutes of the Finance Committee's meeting of 10th July, 1953 (399/1953), which had also been considered by the Standing Committee, were submitted and received. In connection with Item 10, Staff Architect - Outside Work, the Council asked that any statement about outside work generally be referred to the Council itself before any action were taken.

(c) Meeting of 13th August, 1953 -

The minutes of the Finance Committee's meeting of 13th August, 1953 (466/1953), were submitted and referred to the Standing Committee for consideration.

8. THE JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:

(a) Progress of Plans for Permanent Buildings -

A report was received from Messrs. Mussen, Mackay and Potter indicating that they expected to present on 2nd September, 1953, an estimate of the cost, time of erection and rate of expenditure proposed for the medical buildings. It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor to negotiate with the Government on the basis of these estimates.

(b) Letter from Sir Howard Florey -

The Acting Vice-Chancellor reported that he had received a letter from Sir Howard Florey on the occasion of Sir Howard's departure from Canberra in June, 1953, in which Sir Howard said:

"Will you please convey to Council my very sincere thanks for their very generous treatment while I have been here, and assure them again that I am very much interested in getting the School to such a condition that it will take its place as one of the leading medical research schools in the Commonwealth."

9. VICE-CHANCELLORSHIP:

It was reported that the Vice-Chancellor elect planned to take up his appointment in Canberra early in November. Professor Oliphant mentioned that he would be abroad for a short time in September for the purpose of attending a Congress in Japan. The Council asked Professor Oliphant to continue his duties as Acting Vice-Chancellor until the end of October, and
resolved that a message be sent to Mr. Melville pointing out the importance that the Council attached to his early arrival in Canberra.

10. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES:

The report of the meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies held on 24th July, 1953 (432/1953), was submitted and received, the Board's recommendations being dealt with as follows: -

Item 1. Conditions and Arrangement of Study Leave -

The Council received a letter of 12th August, 1953 (465/1953), from Messrs. Borrie, Fitzhardinge and Webb commenting on certain passages in the Board's report. It was resolved that the gentlemen concerned should raise the points mentioned in their letter with the Board of Graduate Studies. The Council noted the Board’s report and approved the statements made in paragraphs 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Item 2. Chair of Far Eastern History -

It was resolved, in accordance with the Board's recommendation, that Mr. C.P. FitzGerald be invited to occupy the Chair of Far Eastern History as from the first day of First Term 1954 on the approved conditions for the appointment of professors.

Item 3. Term Dates for 1954 -

Approved.

Item 7. Dr. Fazekas de St. Groth -

It was resolved, in accordance with the Board's recommendation, that Dr. Fazekas be appointed a Senior Fellow on conditions to be determined by the Vice-Chancellor.

Item 8. Appointments in Department of Medical Chemistry -

The Council's view was that it was not necessary to adopt the procedure mentioned by the Board and that it would be sufficient to empower the Vice-Chancellor to appoint Research Fellows in the Department of Medical Chemistry on receipt of a written recommendation from Sir Howard Florey, and it was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor accordingly.

Item 10(1). Research Assistantships -

It was resolved to approve the extension by not more than one year of the appointments as Research Assistants of Miss J. Craig and Miss D.F. Crozier.

Item 15. Examiners' Fees -

It was resolved to fix examiners' fees as follows: -

/For an examiner,
For an examiner, whether internal or external, for M.A. or M.Sc. - 8 guineas Australian.

For an assessor for M.A. or M.Sc. - 4 guineas Australian.

For an examiner, whether internal or external, for Ph.D. - 12 guineas Australian.

For an assessor for Ph.D. - 6 guineas Australian.

For an examiner, whether internal or external, for Litt.D., LL.D. or D.Sc. - 20 guineas.

Item 16. Fees for Degree Candidates -

It was resolved to fix the following fees for degree candidates:

(a) M.A. or M.Sc. -
   (for candidates who do not pay the normal supervision fee)
   20 guineas for the examination and degree.

(b) Litt.D., LL.D. and D.Sc. -
   50 guineas for the examination and degree.

(The normal supervision fee for M.A., M.Sc. or Ph.D., which includes the examination and degree fee, is fifty guineas per annum.)

11. GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS:

At its previous meeting the Council had deferred a decision on a recommendation from the Board of Graduate Studies that the award of General Scholarships be discontinued, and that the question of the use of funds so freed should be referred for advice to the committee comprising the Acting Vice-Chancellor and the Deans. The Acting Vice-Chancellor now submitted the following recommendation:

"After discussion with his Advisers the Acting Vice-Chancellor decided to recommend to the Board of Graduate Studies that in lieu of the general scholarships scheme a new arrangement should be commenced under which students of this University who have been awarded our Ph.D. could be granted a scholarship for travel to the United Kingdom. The scholarships would be of one year tenure and normally one scholarship would be granted each year by each of the four research schools on recommendation from the appropriate school body to the Board of Graduate Studies.

Awards would only be made in those years when there was a candidate of sufficient merit. If no such candidate is available the school concerned may, in the following year, award two scholarships, but may not accumulate the numbers beyond this. If a particular school makes no award for two consecutive years the scholarship places may pass to candidates from other schools."

/After discussion,
After discussion, during which the possibility was mentioned of decreasing gradually the number of General Scholarships offered for award, it was resolved to refer this matter back to the Vice-Chancellor and the Deans for further discussion.

12. PRINCIPAL DATES FOR 1954:

It was resolved to approve the list of principal dates now submitted (449/1953), with the amendment that when a meeting of the Finance Committee was to be held in association with a meeting of the Standing Committee, the Finance Committee should meet on the morning of the day fixed for the Standing Committee meeting.

13. CONVOCATION MEMBERSHIP:

(a) Research Assistants -

After some discussion the Acting Vice-Chancellor by leave withdrew a proposal that Research Assistants should be made statutory members of Convocation.

(b) Senior Fellows -

It was resolved that the Advisers on Legislation be asked to draft an amendment of the Convocation Statute to provide that Senior Fellows should be statutory members of Convocation.

14. REPRESENTATION AT UNIVERSITY CELEBRATIONS:

It was reported that Sir Douglas Copland would represent the University at the centenary celebrations of the St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, in September, 1953; and that the Chancellor had represented the University at the Installation of the first Chancellor of the University of Southampton on 3rd July, 1953.

15. GRANT FROM SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION - DR. N.R. McARTHUR:

It was reported that the University had accepted an offer by the South Pacific Commission to provide facilities and a grant of £150 stg. in aid of the travelling expenses of Dr. N.R. McArthur, a Research Fellow in the Department of Demography, who is conducting a demographic survey of the Pacific Island communities. The Commission is considering the provision of a further grant of £350 stg. in 1954.

16. LORD LINDSAY - APPOINTMENT AS SENIOR FELLOW:

The Council considered a letter of 5th August, 1953 (452/1953) written by the Dean of the Research School of Pacific Studies after consultation with Professor Crocker, in which it was recommended that Lord Lindsay be appointed a Senior Fellow on conditions there indicated.

It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor to make the appointment should the Board of Graduate Studies recommend it.
17. RECOVERY OF POSSESSION - APPOINTMENT OF AGENT:

The Registrar reported that legal proceedings were in contemplation to recover possession of a University-owned house tenanted by a person who had been dismissed from the technical staff of the University. The University's legal advisers had suggested the appointment of the Registrar as the University's agent to take certain steps in the proceedings.

The Council noted the report, and authorized the affixation of the Seal on the document testifying to the appointment of the Registrar as agent for this purpose.

18. ATOMIC TESTS - PARTICIPATION BY MEMBERS OF THE STAFF:

Mr. A.S. Brown mentioned that the Commonwealth Government would seek the Council's approval for Professor Titterton, and perhaps other members of the University staff, to take part in forthcoming atomic tests.

The Council agreed to grant appropriate leave for this purpose, but asked Mr. Brown to point out that increasingly frequent requests of this kind for the services of members of one institution would have the effect not only of restricting the experience to be gained to a very small number of individuals, but also of hampering the scientific research work of the institution concerned.

The meeting closed at 4.50 p.m.
A meeting of the Council was held at the University on Friday, 9th October, 1953, at 10 a.m.

Present: The Deputy Chairman (Dr. Coombs) in the Chair, Professor Bailey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Borrie, Professor Burton, Dr. Cameron, Professor Davidson, Professor Eccles, Mr. Fry, Mr. Goodes, Mr. Martin, Senator McCallum, Mr. Warren McDonald, Professor Oliphant, Sir Frank Richardson, Sir David Rivett, Professor Sawyer, Senator Tangney, Dr. Wilson, Major-General Windeyer, Professor Wright.

The Registrar and the First Assistant Registrar were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. A.S. Brown, Mr. Dawes and Professor Wood.

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the twelfth meeting held on 14th August, 1953 (468/1953), having been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER:

The Deputy Chairman extended a welcome to Sir Frank Richardson who was attending his first meeting as a member of the Council.

3. VISIT OF THE CHANCELLOR:

The Deputy Chairman announced that the Chancellor had made it known that he and Lady Bruce proposed to visit Australia from 20th January to 30th March, 1954, and that he proposed to be in Canberra from 6th to 27th February.

4. STANDING COMMITTEE:

The minutes of the Standing Committee's meeting of 11th September (522/1953) were submitted and dealt with as follows:

/Item 3(a)
Item 3(a) Buildings and Grounds Committee -

The Council noted the addition to this body of Mr. M.J. Moir, Mr. Beresford Smith and Mr. R. Purchase. There was discussion as to the functions of the Advisers and the interest of the academic staff in such matters as site development. It was agreed that the Vice-Chancellor should ensure that the Council had the advice of the Board of Graduate Studies on major questions of site disposition.

Professor Eccles suggested that a specific area should be set aside for development in connection with University House, and it was agreed that the Consultant Architect, whose appointment would be suggested later in the present meeting, should advise the Council in this matter.

Item 3(b) Advisers on Houses and Tenancies -

Professor Wright said that he believed it to have been a mistake to dissolve the body of Advisers on Houses and Tenancies, as he considered that decisions in this matter should be made by a body with substantial academic representation. He indicated that he would raise this matter at the next meeting of the Council or the Standing Committee.

Item 4 Assistance in Buying or Building Dwellings -

The Deputy Chairman reported that he and Mr. Goodes had discussed the question of providing assistance to members of the University staff who wished to buy or build dwellings of their own. The nature of a possible scheme had been discussed with the Finance Committee and the Committee had come to the conclusion that, as the scheme would be a generous one and might possibly be made the basis of criticism of the University, it should be considered in detail by the Council.

It was resolved that a draft proposal, when prepared, be circulated to members of the Council, together with a note as to the practice in similar matters in the Public Service and in other Universities.

Item 9 Biography of late Right Hon. W.M. Hughes -

The Council considered a memorandum by the Registrar (560/1953) on this matter. It was resolved to receive the Registrar's memorandum, to approve the action so far taken in the matter and to authorize the Registrar to proceed with the negotiations.

Item 12 Architectural Matters - Professor B.B. Lewis -

It was reported that no reply had been received from Professor Lewis to the Standing Committee's request that he should furnish particulars of matters which he desired investigated.

Item 13 Report to
Item 13 Report to Parliament - Press Reference -
Admission of Press to Council Meetings -

In answer to a question the Acting Vice-Chancellor said that his letter correcting the untrue statement published in the Melbourne "Herald" of 10th September had not been published. Professor Sawer asked whether it would be desirable to open appropriate parts of Council meetings to representatives of the Press. Professor Wright, Senator Tangney and Professor Eccles spoke in support of this proposal, and the Council resolved that the practice of other Universities in this connection be ascertained and that the matter should be discussed further at the next meeting.

Item 14 Canberra University College - Site -

The Deputy Chairman reported that the conference sought by the Canberra University College Council had taken place. The College had asked the University's assistance in an approach to the Government for an allotment of land for College development on the northern side of University Avenue. The University's representatives had agreed that this was a reasonable request and had asked that the architects of the University and the College should collaborate to prepare an expert report, which was now awaited.

With the qualifications mentioned it was resolved that the minutes of the Standing Committee be received and the Committee's recommendations adopted.

5. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

(a) Meeting of 11th September -

The minutes of the Finance Committee's meeting of 11th September (517/1953) were submitted and dealt with as follows:

Item 4 Estimates -

The Council noted and approved the suggested basis for a revision of the 1953-54 Estimates in the light of the funds actually provided by Parliament.

Item 6 Outside Work by Members of Staff -

The Council considered the report from the Acting Vice-Chancellor (516/1953) which the Finance Committee had commended for the approval of the Council. After a discussion on the performance of outside work by other than professional members of the staff, it was agreed that those in charge of workshop staffs and similar employees should be asked to make it known that the Council is concerned at the dangers involved in such workers engaging unduly in outside work.

/Item 8 Sick
Item 8 Sick Leave due to Pulmonary Tuberculosis

It was resolved that the policy based on the Victorian Public Service Rules and recommended by the Finance Committee be adopted, viz.:

"If a member of staff is certified by a medical officer to be suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis and to be probably curable, leave of absence may be granted for six months on full pay and three months on half pay; provided that such pay may be made conditional on the employee undergoing approved treatment when so recommended by a medical practitioner. Any leave so granted in excess of normal sick leave entitlements standing to his credit shall not be regarded as a debit against the employee. On resumption of duty the employee shall be entitled to commence with an initial credit of not less than one year's sick leave entitlement.

Leave of absence under this rule shall not be granted to any employee who is certified during the course of his medical examination for appointment to the staff as having previously suffered from pulmonary tuberculosis."

Item 9 Emergency Medical Treatment and Medical Advice on Staff Matters

In discussion of the proposal that the University might reach a standing arrangement with a local medical practitioner to treat emergency cases of illness or injury, Professor Oliphant referred to difficulties which had arisen in obtaining casualty treatment for members of the staff at the Canberra Community Hospital. The Council asked the Acting Vice-Chancellor, Senator Tangney and Dr. Cameron to look into this matter, and authorized the Registrar to proceed with the suggested arrangement, subject to the Finance Committee's approval of any proposed retaining fee.

With the qualifications shown it was resolved that the Finance Committee's minutes be received and its recommendations adopted.

(b) Meeting of 8th October

The Registrar indicated that there were no urgent matters arising from the Finance Committee's meeting of 8th October and that the minutes of the meeting would be submitted to the Council or the Standing Committee in due course.
6. ADVISERS ON LEGISLATION:

(a) Meeting of 26th August -

The minutes of the meeting of the
Advisers on Legislation on 26th August (477/1953)
were submitted, and dealt with as follows:

Item 7 Faculties and Faculty Boards Statute -

It was resolved, on the Advisers' recommendation, to make a Faculties and
Faculty Boards Statute in the form attached to these minutes (478/1953).

Item 9 Superannuation Statute -

It was resolved, on the Advisers' recommendation, to make a Superannuation
Statute in the form attached to these minutes (406/1953).

It was further resolved to ask the
Vice-Chancellors' Committee to take up with the
Federated Superannuation System for Universities the question of the transferability of policies under Australian university superannuation schemes on the
removal of the member to an appropriate appointment in the United Kingdom.

Item 10 Amendment of Convocation Statute -

Senior Fellows -

It was resolved, on the recommendation of the Advisers, to make a Convocation Amendment Statute No. 2 in the following form:

Explanatory Note

The University has recently established a new staff category of Senior Fellow. In accordance with the University's practice, Senior Fellows should be members of Convocation and this Statute includes them in its membership.

"STATUTE NO.

CONVOCATION AMENDMENT STATUTE NO. 2

1. Section 1 of the Convocation Statute* is amended by inserting the words "Senior Fellows" after the word "Readers".

* Statute No. 3"
(b) Meeting of 7th October, 1953 -

The minutes of the meeting of the Advisers on Legislation held on 7th October, 1953 (587/1953) were submitted.

Item 4 University House Statute and Rules -

After discussion it was resolved to ask the Standing Committee to examine this legislation further and to report to the Council.

Item 5 Appointment of Vice-Chancellor -

It was resolved, subject to the obtaining of formal evidence of Mr. Melville’s age, to make the following Order as recommended by the Advisers:

"ORDER NO. 1
Tenure of Mr. L.G. Melville as Vice-Chancellor

Subject to the conditions of his appointment Leslie Galfreia Melville shall hold office as Vice-Chancellor until 31st December, 1967, provided that on giving the notice required by his conditions of appointment he may retire with superannuation benefits at any time after 26th March, 1962."

Item 6 Discipline Statute -

Mr. Fry expressed the view that a right of appeal from decisions of the Board of Discipline should be provided. Professor Wright urged that while appeals should be provided from admonishment or fine, only the Council itself should be able to exclude from the University on disciplinary grounds. It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Bailey, Professor Sawer and Mr. Fry to consider the draft Statute further in the light of these comments.

It was resolved that, subject to the qualifications mentioned, the reports of the Advisers on Legislation be received.

7. ADVISERS ON BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

(a) Meeting of 28th September, 1953 -

The minutes of the meeting of the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds held on 28th September (555/1953) were submitted and dealt with as follows:

/Item 1 Consultant
Item 1  Consultant Architect for the Site -

On the Advisers' recommendation it was resolved to appoint a Consultant Architect to review the site plan, to plan the use of areas of the site not included in the present plan, to suggest stages of development and to give advice on departures or proposed departures from the plan. The Council asked that the views of the Australian Institute of Planning should be sought concerning the selection, duties and emoluments of the Consultant Architect, and that it should be contemplated that the Consultant would be appointed in the first instance for a short period of say three or six months.

Item 2  West Lake -

It was resolved that the Consultant Architect, when appointed, should be asked to advise on the effect on the University site of the abandonment of the Western Lake project, and that the Vice-Chancellor should ascertain whether the delay involved would be likely to have serious consequences.

(b) Meeting of 9th October, 1953 -

The Council received a verbal report from Mr. Warren McDonald on a meeting of the Advisers held immediately before the present Council meeting.

Medical School Report No. 2 -

Mr. McDonald reported that the Advisers were at present of the opinion that the estimated time for completion of the Medical School should be extended to fifteen months, construction to commence in the Spring of 1954. He said that the Advisers would probably suggest that tenders be invited from a limited number of firms for the construction of the School and that the Advisers expected shortly to meet the Architect for the building and discuss these matters and the estimates in detail.

It was resolved that the report of the Advisers be received.

8. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES:

A report of the meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies held on 18th September (537/1953), and accompanying documents, was submitted and dealt with as follows :-

Item 1  Appointment Matters -

(a) Readership in Public Administration -

It was noted that in accordance with the Standing Committee's previous authority, Professor R.S. Parker had been appointed Reader in Public Administration in the Department of
Political Science at a salary of £1,840 per annum plus cost of living adjustment and otherwise on the approved conditions for the appointment of Readers.

(c) Dr. F.D. Collins -

On the Board's advice it was resolved that Dr. F.D. Collins be appointed Senior Research Fellow in the Department of Biochemistry from 1st September, 1953, at a salary of £1,290 per annum plus cost of living adjustment and otherwise on the approved conditions for the appointment of Senior Research Fellows.

(d) Dr. Vernon Brooks -

On the Board's advice it was resolved that Dr. Vernon Brooks be appointed Visiting Research Fellow in Physiology for one year, the University's commitment being limited to a payment at the rate of £A1,250 per annum.

(e) Mr. E.J. Hannan -

On the Board's advice it was resolved that Mr. E.J. Hannan be appointed Research Fellow in the Department of Statistics at a salary of £890 per annum plus cost of living adjustment and otherwise on the normal conditions for the appointment of Research Fellows.

(f) Miss Ethel Drus -

It was resolved on the Board's advice that Miss Ethel Drus be appointed a Research Fellow in the Department of Pacific History for two years with a commencing salary of £890 per annum plus cost of living adjustment, and that the Vice-Chancellor be empowered to make suitable arrangements concerning such matters as superannuation provision.

Item 2 Mr. J.N. Jennings - Title of Readership -

On the Board's advice it was resolved that the title of Mr. Jennings' appointment be changed from Readership in Geography to Readership in Geomorphology in the Department of Geography.

Item 3 Faculties of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies - Publication of Work by Members of the Staff -

The Council noted the progress made by the Faculties concerning publication and resolved that the Chairman of the Publication Committee and the Vice-Chancellor should be authorized to continue the negotiations concerning the selection of a publisher.
Item 4  Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies - Award of Scholarships

In accordance with the Board's recommendation it was resolved that scholarships be awarded to the following applicants:

- Department of History  - W.A.F. Phillips, B.A.
- " Anthropology  - D.J. Tugby, B.Sc., M.A.
- " Far Eastern History  - E. Kestadt, B.A.
- " Geography  - T.M. Perry, B.A.
- " Pacific History  - B.S. Smith, B.A.
- " Anthropology  - D.J. Tugby, B.Sc., M.A.
- " Far Eastern History  - E. Kestadt, B.A.
- " Geography  - T.M. Perry, B.A.
- " Pacific History  - B.S. Smith, B.A.
- " Anthropology  - D.J. Tugby, B.Sc., M.A.
- " Far Eastern History  - E. Kestadt, B.A.
- " Geography  - T.M. Perry, B.A.
- " Pacific History  - B.S. Smith, B.A.
- " Anthropology  - D.J. Tugby, B.Sc., M.A.
- " Far Eastern History  - E. Kestadt, B.A.
- " Geography  - T.M. Perry, B.A.
- " Pacific History  - B.S. Smith, B.A.

Item 10  Coat of Arms and Motto

On the Board's recommendation, and after examining a sketch, the Council resolved to adopt the Board's proposal for a Coat of Arms for the University, namely:

In base wavy argent on azure a boomerang or forming a chevron in chief the Southern Cross and Canopus argent on azure.

The Council asked the Registrar to ascertain from Professor Spate whether in his opinion the parts of the Arms coloured blue should be the same colour.

It was resolved to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to approach the College of Heraldry with a view to a grant of Arms to the University.

With the qualifications mentioned, it was resolved that the report of the Board of Graduate Studies be received and its recommendations adopted.

9. ADVISERS ON STATUS AND PROMOTIONS - PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING RECOMMENDATIONS:

Withdrawn.

10. TENANCY OF UNIVERSITY PREMISES - MR. P. HASLUCK:

Senator Tangney drew the Council's attention to criticisms which had been made in Parliament and in the press of the University's action in granting the tenancy of a University house to Mr. Hasluck, Minister for Territories.
The Registrar made a statement in which he said that the house concerned was one of a group of furnished houses which were intended for the occupation of and were for the most part actually occupied by senior visiting workers in the University; although the house concerned would be needed for this purpose in the new year it was not needed at present; Mr. Hasluck's academic interests were closely akin to those of some members of the University's Research School of Pacific Studies; and that Mr. Hasluck was paying the normal rental of the house.

During discussion Mr. Beazley expressed the view that the University had a responsibility to avoid losing income from rent in the circumstances described, and that if such premises were not required for University occupation it was entirely appropriate that a Minister of the Crown should be offered the tenancy.

It was resolved to endorse the action taken to let the premises mentioned to Mr. Hasluck.

11. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES - ADMINISTRATION BLOCK - MECHANICAL SERVICES CONTRACT:

Senator Tangney mentioned a claim she had heard made that the tender accepted for this contract was some 50% higher than the cheapest tender.

The Acting Vice-Chancellor explained that the two tenders referred to were not in fact tenders for the same work and that in any case the lower tender had been by a contractor who had proved himself unsatisfactory in respect of similar work he had done for the University.

12. UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

(a) Transactions of Fellows -

The Council received a report (No. 1) of the Fellows of University House (570/1953) and dealt with the report as follows:

Appointment of Master -

This matter is dealt with separately under Item 12(b) below.

Opening of University House -

It was resolved the arrangements for the official opening of University House be handled by the Vice-Chancellor, who should for this purpose convene a working group including representatives of the Fellows.

Executive Responsibility of Fellows -

The Council noted that the Fellows were concerned about their authority to deal with matters requiring action in the final stages of building. The Council authorized the Vice-Chancellor to deal with these matters after consultation where appropriate with the Fellows.

Capital Items not on Budget -

The Council deferred discussion of this matter.

/(b) Appointment of
(b) Appointment of Master -

The Deputy Chairman referred to a letter and curriculum vitae which he had received from Dr. Stanner and which the Registrar had circulated confidentially to members of the Council (575/1953 and 576/1953). The letter conveyed the recommendation of the Fellows of University House that Professor A.D. Trendall should be invited to accept appointment as Master.

It was unanimously resolved to invite Professor Trendall to accept appointment as Master of University House on the following conditions:

(i) **Salary**

At the rate of £2,340 per annum plus cost of living adjustment.

(ii) **Entertainment Allowance**

The Master may entertain in University House up to the extent of £400 per annum.

(iii) **Superannuation**

The normal University arrangements to apply.

(iv) **Accommodation**

The following recommendation of the Standing Committee to be adopted and applied as far as appropriate to the present appointment:

"Accommodation for the Master and his wife should be provided free of charge in University House, the Master also being entitled to meals in Hall without fee; and that if his family circumstances made other accommodation arrangements for the Master and his family necessary, the rent to be charged to the Master should be assessed in the light of the considerations just mentioned."

(v) **Retirement**

The Master to retire at the end of the calendar year in which he attains the age of 65 but to be at liberty to retire with superannuation benefits at any time after reaching the age of 60 years.

(vi) **Overseas Travel Allowances**

The University to meet the cost of any missions undertaken by the Master at the University's request, the Master to make any other overseas visits at his own expense, and the appointment not to carry study leave entitlement.
The Council asked the Standing Committee to examine the general question of entertainment allowances in the University in the light of the situation which would be created by the opening of University House.

13. **RELATION OF UNIVERSITY TO OTHER RESEARCH BODIES:**

Sir David Rivett reported that as a result of his previous motion in the Council and of conversations with the Australian National Research Council informal talks on this matter would be arranged at the time of the meeting of A.N.Z.A.A.S. in January, 1954.

14. **JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH – CHANGE OF NAME:**

The Council received a memorandum from the Registrar (571/1953) setting out the proposals made in recent months for a change in the name of the John Curtin School of Medical Research. After discussion it was resolved that no action be taken in this matter at present but that the question be reviewed when for other purposes an amendment of the University Act is proposed.

15. **AFFIXATIONS OF THE SEAL:**

A list of the documents to which the Seal had been affixed since the last meeting of the Council (573/1953, attached) was submitted and noted.

16. **ACTING VICE-CHANCELLOR'S VISIT TO JAPAN:**

The Acting Vice-Chancellor laid before members of the Council a memorandum dated 6th October on his recent visit to Japan.

17. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

The Council asked the Vice-Chancellor to settle the date of the next meeting having regard to the currency of the present Parliamentary session.
The University's governing body is the Council, and its principal academic body is the Board of Graduate Studies. Experience has shown that it is desirable, at any rate in the Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies, to have domestic bodies to consider and advise the Board and the Council upon academic matters concerning these two Schools. The present Statute sets up in each of these Schools a Faculty and a smaller Faculty Board. Arrangements are made for joint meetings of the Faculties and Boards, since much of the business arising affects both Schools.

The other two Schools, the Research School of Physical Sciences and the John Curtin School of Medical Research, do not at present wish to have a faculty structure, but prefer to transact their business through informal School Committees.

FACULTIES AND FACULTY BOARDS STATUTE

1. There shall be a Faculty of Social Sciences and a Faculty of Pacific Studies.

2. Each Faculty shall comprise the Professors, Readers, Research Associates, Senior Fellows and Fellows of the appropriate Research School, and such other members of the staff of the University as the Faculty may, by the vote of an absolute majority of all the members of the Faculty from time to time co-opt.

3. There shall be a Faculty Board of each Faculty, each such Board comprising the Heads of Departments and Readers of the appropriate Research Schools; provided that the Faculties may by resolution of a joint meeting elect, in addition to, or in place of Faculty Boards, a Board of the Joint Faculties, comprising the Heads of Departments and Readers of both Schools.

/4. The Chairman
4. The Chairman of each Faculty or Faculty Board shall be the Director or Dean of the appropriate Research School. In the absence of the Chairman from any meeting the members present shall elect one of their number to preside at that meeting.

5. Each Faculty and each Faculty Board shall meet at least once in each term. Meetings shall be convened by the Registrar at the request of the Chairman or the Vice-Chancellor or of four members of the Faculty or Board.

6. Each Faculty and Faculty Board may, subject to the Statutes and Rules, regulate its proceedings by resolution.

7. Each Faculty may, through the appropriate Faculty Board, advise the Board of Graduate Studies, and through the Board of Graduate Studies the Council, on any academic matter, except the admission of particular persons to degrees or the appointment of particular persons to offices in the University.

8. Each Faculty Board may, either on its own or on the appropriate Faculty's initiative, advise the Board of Graduate Studies, and through the Board of Graduate Studies the Council, on any academic matter. Subject to the Statutes and Rules, and to the directions of the Council and the Board of Graduate Studies, the Faculty Board shall recommend admissions to degrees and the making of appointments, and shall conduct the academic business of the appropriate School. For these purposes the Faculty Board may refer any question for the consideration of the appropriate Faculty and may appoint committees of members.

9. Each Faculty and Faculty Board shall report to the Board of Graduate Studies or to the Council on any question submitted to it by those bodies; provided that any such report to the Council shall be submitted through the Board of Graduate Studies.

10. At each
Explanatory Note

This new Statute gives legislative form to the superannuation scheme established by the University for members of its staff.

It is provided that a full-time academic worker or senior administrative officer of the University may, on joining the staff, effect an assurance on his life, the University and the member paying the premium in agreed proportions. At the end of the member's service the proceeds of the policy of assurance become available as a pension provision.

The scheme is similar to that adopted by the Universities of the United Kingdom, and by most Australian Universities.

Members of the University's Staff who are not eligible to join this scheme are provided for by membership of the Commonwealth Superannuation Fund.

PART I. - INTERPRETATION

1. In this Statute, unless the contrary intention appears --

"approved life office" or "life office" means a company or society specified in the Schedule to this Statute;
"dependant", in relation to a member, means -
(a) the wife, husband, widow, widower or child of the member, whether in fact dependent on him or not; and
(b) any other member of the family of the member who, in the opinion of the Council, is substantially dependent upon the member;
"designated beneficiary", in relation to a member, means a person or persons for the time being nominated by the member, in a form approved by the Council, to succeed to benefits under the Scheme after the death of the member;
"endowment assurance policy" means a policy of assurance on the life of a member which provides for payment of the sum assured -
(a) on the maturity of the policy; or
(b) subject to the policy conditions, on the death of the member occurring before the maturity date;
"member" means a member of the Scheme;
"pension date", in relation to a member, means the end of the secular year in which the member attains the age of sixty years;
"prescribed age", in relation to a member, means his age at the anniversary date of the policy on his life maintained under the Scheme next preceding his sixtieth birthday;
"pure endowment policy"
"pure endowment policy" means a policy of assurance on the life of a member which provides for -
(a) the payment of the sum endowed on the maturity date of the policy; and
(b) in the event of the death of the member before the maturity date, the return of the premiums paid in respect of the policy, either with or without interest as provided by the policy;

"salary", in relation to a member, means the annual basic salary paid to the member by the University, and does not include additions to the basic salary on account of cost of living adjustments or temporary additions to the basic salary;

"the policy", in relation to a member, means the policy or policies of assurance on the life of the member effected for the purposes of the Scheme or accepted for those purposes;

"the Scheme" means the superannuation scheme established under this Statute.

PART II. - ADMINISTRATION

2. The Council is authorized to establish and maintain a Staff Superannuation Scheme in accordance with this Statute.

3. -(1.) Administration of the Scheme is vested in the Council.
(2.) The Council may, in relation to a matter or class of matters, by resolution, delegate all or any of its powers and functions under this Statute (except this power of delegation) to a member of the Council, to a Committee of members of the Council or to an officer or officers of the University.
(3.) A delegation under this section is revocable by resolution of the Council, and no delegation prevents the exercise of a power or function by the Council.

4. The Council shall cause proper accounts and records of the Scheme to be kept.

5. The Council may make agreements with Universities or other educational or research institutions for the setting up of joint machinery to facilitate the transfer of members from a superannuation scheme controlled by one such body to a superannuation scheme controlled by another, and generally in regard to matters affecting the Scheme.

PART III. - THE SUPERANNUATION SCHEME.

6.- (1.) Subject to this section, the following salaried officers and salaried teachers of the University are eligible to be members of the Scheme: -

The Vice-Chancellor;
The Full-time Members of the Academic Staff;
The holders of offices determined by the Council to be full-time senior administrative offices;
The Librarian;
Laboratory Managers;
Such other officers and teachers as the Vice-Chancellor determines.

(2) A person is not eligible to be a member while he is a contributor under the Superannuation Act 1922-1951.
3.

(3.) Except where the Council otherwise directs, a person is not eligible to become a member if he has attained the age of fifty-five years.

7.-(1.) A person becomes a member when, upon application in accordance with a form approved by the Council, the Council causes his name to be enrolled as a member.
(2.) A person remains a member while he continues to be eligible to be a member and continues to be liable to make contributions under this Statute.

8.-(1.) A person appointed or re-appointed, after the commencement of this Statute, for a term of not less than three years, as an officer or teacher referred to in sub-section (1.) of the last preceding section and who is otherwise eligible to become a member shall, subject to the next succeeding sub-section, agree, in the manner and terms required by the Council, as a condition of appointment or re-appointment, to become and remain, or to remain, as the case may require, a member of the Scheme.
(2.) A person to whom the last preceding sub-section applies and who is not a member may, before his appointment or re-appointment, inform the Council that he prefers to become, or to continue as, a contributor under the Superannuation Act 1922-1951, and in any such case -
(a) that person shall not be required to become a member of the Scheme until the expiration of a period of three months after the date on which his appointment or re-appointment takes effect; and
(b) That person shall not be required to become a member of the Scheme if, at the expiration of that period, he is a contributor under the Superannuation Act 1922-1951, unless and until he ceases to be such a contributor.
(3.) The Council may, in special circumstances, exempt a person from the requirements of this section.

9.-(1.) When a person becomes a member he shall effect with an approved life office an endowment assurance policy on his life, or, if he is not less than fifty years of age or has an unassurable life, a pure endowment policy, for such amount as, having regard to his age, is obtainable at an annual premium equal to the contributions payable by the University and himself as provided in this Statute in respect of his salary at the time when he becomes a member.
(2.) The policy shall be expressed to mature at the member's prescribed age, and the member has a discretion to determine whether the policy shall or shall not provide for participation in any surplus that may be distributed by the life office from time to time by way of reversionary additions to the sums assured under participating policies.
(3.) In the case of a person who, when he becomes a member, is not less than fifty years of age or has an unassurable life, he may elect that, in lieu of the effecting of a policy on his life, the contributions under section eleven of this Statute in respect of him shall be held and accumulated by the Council with power to invest them in securities authorized by law for the investment of trust funds.
(4.) Where a member has made an election under the last preceding sub-section, the moneys held by the Council and any securities representing any such moneys, together with the income from those moneys or securities, shall, for the purpose of this Statute, be treated as nearly as possible as if they were a life assurance policy effected on the life of the member for the purposes of this Statute.

10.-(1) The Council may agree to accept for the purposes of the Scheme an existing policy of assurance on the life of
a member in lieu of the policy required to be effected under
the last preceding section, if the policy is transferred in
statutory form to the University and at the date of the
transfer is not encumbered.

(2.) This section does not apply to an existing policy
unless-

(a) the conditions of the policy are in accordance with
the requirements of this Statute as to policies
for the purposes of the Scheme; or

(b) the policy has been accepted for the purposes of
the Federated Superannuation System for Universities
(Great Britain).

11.-(1) Subject to the next succeeding section, a
member shall contribute five per centum of his salary and the
University shall contribute annually a sum equal to ten per
centum of the member's salary.

(2.) Contributions under this section shall continue until
the maturity date of the policy or the date on which the member
ceases to be in the full-time service of the University (whichever
is the earlier), but if the member continues in the service of the
University after his pension date, contributions under this
section shall continue until the member reaches the age of sixty­
five years or ceases to be in the service of the University,
whichever first happens.

(3.) The contributions under this section shall, except
as otherwise provided in this Statute, be applied by the Council
in payment of the yearly premium on the policy.

(4.) The University may deduct from payments of salary
the amounts necessary to meet the member's contributions under this section until the maturity date of
the policy.

(5.) The Council may pay a premium upon the policy in
anticipation of contributions by the member or the University,
or in default of contributions by the member.

12.-(1) If, after the policy has been effected, the
salary of a member is increased or reduced, the contributions
under the last preceding section shall not be increased or
reduced unless and until the rate of the increased salary is
greater or less, by more than twenty-five pounds per annum,
that the rate of salary upon which those contributions are
being made for the time being.

(2.) Where, by reason of a change in salary, the con­
tributions in respect of a member are increased or reduced,
the sum assured under the policy shall be appropriately
adjusted.

(3.) If a member is absent from the service of the
University, with or without remuneration from the University -
(a) he shall pay his contributions for the period of
his absence unless the Council, in its discretion, agrees to pay those contributions; and

(b) the Council may determine, in its discretion, whether
the University or the member shall pay the University's contributions for that period and those contributions
shall be paid accordingly.

13. Where the premiums upon a policy which is
proposed to be accepted for the purposes of the Scheme are
payable in sterling currency, the Council may make an arrangement
with the member with respect to payment of the exchange upon
those premiums and for the variation of the rights of the member
under this Statute in consequence of the arrangement, and in
any such case this Statute operates subject to the terms of the
arrangement.

/14.-(1.) A policy
14.-(1) A policy effected for the purposes of the
Scheme shall be either in the name of the University or in
the name of the member and in the latter case it shall be
assigned in statutory form by the member to the University.
(2) The member shall arrange for the policy to be
delivered by the life office to the University.
(3) The University shall retain possession of the
policy, but will make it available for inspection by the
member at any reasonable time.

15.-(1) A member shall not, without the consent in
writing of the Council, assign, either absolutely or as
security, or charge his interest or any part of his interest
in the policy.
(2) If a member -
(a) becomes bankrupt or, without the consent in writing
of the Council, assigns or charges or attempts to
assign or charge his interest or any part of his
interest in the policy or does or suffers anything
by which his interest in the policy, or any part
of that interest, would or might, through his act
or default or by operation or process of law,
become vested in or payable to any other person;
or
(b) becomes a lunatic or is in the opinion of the Council
incapable of managing his own affairs,
the rights and interests of the member in the policy forthwith
determine and the Council may surrender the policy, or continue
the policy for the time being and surrender it later, or
continue it until maturity or the prior death of the member.
(3) Any moneys representing the member's rights and
interests so determined which are received by the Council,
whether upon surrender or at maturity of the policy or on
the death of the member, shall, at the option of the Council,
be -
(a) applied towards the maintenance or benefit of the
member or his dependants or of such one or more of
them as the Council, in its discretion, thinks fit;
or
(b) paid in any of the ways mentioned in section
seventeen of this statute.

16. The University has a lien or charge upon the
policy in respect of a member and the moneys payable under the
policy for all moneys owing by the member in pursuance of this
Statute and for premiums paid in anticipation of contributions,
or in default of contributions by a member, and not recouped.

17. If a member dies while in the full-time service
of the University before the policy matures, the University
shall receive payment of the moneys payable under the policy
from the life office and, subject to sections fifteen and
sixteen of this Statute, shall pay those moneys, or the balance
of those moneys, as the case may be -
(a) to the designated beneficiary;
(b) if there is no designated beneficiary - to a
dependant or dependants of the member as determined
by the Council in its absolute discretion; or
(c) if there is no designated beneficiary and no
dependant -
(1) to the executor or administrator to whom
probate of the will or letters of
administration of the estate of the member
has or have been granted; or
(ii) where,
(ii) where, after a period considered by the Council to be reasonable, there is no such executor or administrator - to the next of kin of the member or as the Council, in its absolute discretion, determines.

18.-(1.) If the policy matures while the member is in the full-time service of the University, the University shall receive payment of the moneys payable under the policy from the life office and, subject to sections fifteen and sixteen of this Statute and to this section, the University shall pay those moneys to the member on the pension date applicable to him.

(2.) If the member dies before the pension date, the Council shall pay the moneys in the manner provided in the last preceding section.

(3.) If the Council thinks fit, the University may, in lieu of paying to the member the moneys referred to in this section, use those moneys in the purchase of an annuity payable to the member during his life-time.

(4.) If the member continues in the full-time service of the University after his pension date, the moneys payable under the policy which would otherwise be payable to the member, together with contributions by and in respect of the member under section eleven of this Statute made after the maturity of the policy, shall be invested by the Council in securities authorized by law for the investment of trust moneys, and the securities shall be held until the member ceases, by death or retirement, to be in the service of the University, whereupon the securities shall be realized and the proceeds, together with any income received from the investments, shall -

(a) in the case of death - be paid in the manner specified in the last preceding section; or

(b) in the case of retirement - be paid to the member or used in the purchase of an annuity payable to the member during his life-time.

19.-(1.) If a member resigns from the full-time service of the University before attaining his prescribed age and his resignation is accepted by the Council, the Council shall, subject to sections fifteen and sixteen of this Statute, transfer the policy to the member or according to his direction, and the transfer shall be in full settlement of all claims of the member under this Scheme.

(2.) The provisions of this section extend to the case of a member whose appointment expires by effluxion of time before he attains his prescribed age and who is not forthwith appointed or re-appointed to an office by virtue of holding which he is eligible to continue to be a member of the Scheme.

20. If a member is dismissed from the full-time service of the University before he attains his prescribed age, the Council may deal with the policy or the policy moneys as it thinks just.

21. If a member becomes a contributor under the Superannuation Act 1922-1951, the policy shall be dealt with in such manner as the Council, in its discretion, determines.

THE SCHEDULE.

The Australasian Temperance and General Mutual Life Assurance Society Limited.

Australian Mutual Provident Society.

The City Mutual Life Assurance Society Limited.

/The Colonial Mutual
7.

The Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society Limited.
The Mutual Life and Citizens' Assurance Company Limited.
The National Mutual Life Association of Australasia Limited.
The Prudential Assurance Company Limited.

......
The 14th Meeting of the Council was held at the University on Friday, 27th November, 1953, at 10 a.m.

Present: Dr. Coombs (in the Chair), The Vice-Chancellor, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Borrie, Mr. A.S. Brown, Professor Burton, Dr. Cameron, Professor Davidson, Mr. Dawes, Professor Eccles, Mr. Fry, Mr. Goodes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Warren McDonald, Professor Cliphant, Sir Frank Richardson, Sir David Rivett, Professor Sawer, Senator Tangney, Major-General Windeyer, Professor Wood, Professor Wright.

The Registrar, the First Assistant Registrar and the Graduate Assistant were in attendance.

An apology for absence was received from Senator McCallum.

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the 13th meeting held on 9th October, 1953 (603/1953) having been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. WELCOME TO VICE-CHANCELLOR:

The Deputy Chairman extended a welcome on behalf of the Council to the Vice-Chancellor, who was attending his first meeting of the full Council.

3. ADVISERS ON BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

The minutes of the meeting of the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds held on 23rd November, 1953 (697/1953) were submitted. Attached to these minutes in connection with Item 2, Medical School Report No. 2, was a report of the Advisers concerning the building of the laboratories for the John Curtin School of Medical Research (698/1953).

/ The Council
The Council also considered a letter dated 24th November from Messrs. Mussen, Mackay and Potter indicating opposition to the Advisers' proposals for the calling of tenders for the Medical School buildings.

The Council discussed the respective advantages of open and limited tendering for a project of this kind. The suggestion was made that the two methods might be combined by requiring contractors to give notice of their intention to tender and to supply evidence of their capacity to undertake the work, in advance of the tender date. Opportunity could then be taken to hold informal discussions with contractors regarded as unsatisfactory.

It was resolved that the question of the method of tendering be referred back to the Advisers for reconsideration in the light of this suggestion and that the Advisers be asked to examine in detail the conditions and amount of the performance bond proposed to be required from the successful tenderer.

The Council also considered a letter dated 24th November, 1953 (701/1953) from Messrs. Mussen, Mackay and Potter which contained a time schedule for the erection of the Medical School buildings. Members were not clear whether this letter amounted to a variation of the time schedule recommended by the Advisers and set out in the report (698/1953) referred to above. The Council was strongly of the opinion that the Advisers' time schedule should be adhered to if at all practicable, and asked the Advisers to confer with Messrs. Mussen, Mackay and Potter on this point.

In connection with Item 3 of the Advisers' report, Consultant for the site, the Council noted that, while the Advisers were anxious to proceed with the appointment of a Consultant, the Board of Graduate Studies had asked that consideration of such an appointment should be deferred pending further domestic investigation of problems relating to the site.

It was resolved:

(a) that the University Staff Architect be made free if practicable to confer during the next few months with the academic body and to collect information concerning the building needs of the Research Schools and their implications for the general development of the University site;

(b) that the Advisers be asked to proceed with investigations as to the selection of a suitable Consultant.

With the qualifications mentioned above it was resolved that the recommendations of the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds be adopted.

4. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH : BUILDING PLANS:

The Registrar submitted to the Council a set of drawings representing the general plan and floor layout of the buildings for the John Curtin School of Medical Research. The drawings were numbered JCS/10-25 inclusive. The plans for individual Departments were signed by or on behalf of the Head of Department concerned.
The newer members of the Council said they would be assisted by the provision of an account of the advice and consultations which had attended the development of the plans and it was resolved that such an account be prepared and sent to members and that the Council should consider the approval of the plans at the adjourned session of the present meeting. It was, however, made clear that the processes of preparation, for example the excavations and the ordering of bricks, should not be held up.

5. **STANDING COMMITTEE** :

(a) **Meeting of 10th November, 1953** -

The minutes of a joint meeting of the Standing Committee and the Finance Committee held on 10th November, 1953 (671/1953) were submitted and noted. This meeting had dealt solely with criticisms made by the Auditor General of the University's Balance Sheet for 1952.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. J.D. Fell of the firm of David Fell and Company, auditors to the University of Sydney, and Mr. J.C. Bongers, Accountant of the University of Sydney, had visited Canberra and that Mr. Fell had submitted a preliminary report, of which the Vice-Chancellor now tabled copies (700/1953). It was resolved that detailed consideration of this matter should be deferred until the Vice-Chancellor was able to submit his own full report.

(b) **Meeting of 11th and 13th November, 1953** -

The minutes of a meeting of the Standing Committee held on 11th and 13th November, 1953 (672/1953) were submitted.

In connection with Item 4(h) of the minutes, Opening of University House - Honorary Degree, it was resolved to confirm the Standing Committee's decision to offer an honorary degree to His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh on the occasion of the opening of University House.

For the consideration of Item 5(b), University House Statute and Rules, Dr. Stanner sat with the Council. He submitted a report (707/1953) from the Fellows, on the matters raised by the Standing Committee during its consideration of the Statute and Rules. After discussion the Council reached the following decisions :-

(i) **Re-election of Fellows** -

Vacancies in the body of Fellows should be filled by the Master, Fellows, Vice-Chancellor, Director and Deans.

(ii) **Status of Master** -

The Statute should provide that "There shall be a Master and..."
(iii) Residential Qualifications of Fellows -

It should be provided that Fellows must reside within twenty miles of the University.

The Vice-Chancellor was asked to prepare a list of persons who would be regarded as members of the staff for the purposes of election to Fellowships.

(iv) Consultation with Students -

Mr. Martin having urged that students should be eligible for election to Fellowships, the Council asked the Fellows to report on the relationship between the Fellows and residents of the House.

(v) Tutor -

The proposal to appoint a Tutor should be abandoned.

(vi) Steward -

The rules should provide for this appointment.

(vii) Bursar -

The Bursar should be appointed by the Master and Fellows and not directly by the Council.

(viii) Employment of Staff -

Employees in the House should be regarded as employees of the University.

(ix) Compulsory Membership -

It should be made known to the staff that the Council regards staff members as having a duty to become members of the House and participate in its activities; but they should not be required to do so.

(x) Canberra University College -

The intention to invite senior members of the College staff to accept membership was noted.

(xi) Membership -

The intention to provide in the re-drafting of the Rules that members of the Council will be members of University House as of right was noted.
It was resolved that the Statute and Rules should be re-drafted in accordance with these decisions and submitted to the Council for formal approval; that the remainder of the report submitted by Dr. Stanner be referred to the Standing Committee; and that authority be given to the Fellows to proceed, in consultation with the Vice-Chancellor, with arrangements for the conduct of the House, for example the engagement of staff and the purchase of stocks.

With the qualifications mentioned it was resolved that the recommendations of the Standing Committee be adopted.

6. **FINANCE COMMITTEE** :

(a) **Meeting of 11th November, 1953** -

The minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 11th November, 1953 (663/1953) were submitted and the Committee's recommendations adopted.

(b) **Meeting of 26th November, 1953** -

The minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 26th November, 1953 (706/1953) were submitted and dealt with as follows:

**Item 4 Budgetary Report** -

It was noted that the Committee had asked that no School or division should exceed its own estimate without the matter being specially submitted to the Council.

**Item 5 Commitment of Budget by Proposed Appointments** -

The Finance Committee had recommended that no further appointments which would cause the 1954-55 Estimates to exceed the limits of the current Estimates be made, pending an answer from the Prime Minister on the University's long-term Estimates.

After discussion it was resolved that no such appointments be made pending discussion with the Prime Minister on the Long-term Estimates and an indication received as to the financial provision which the University may expect for the 1954-55 financial year.

**Item 6(a) Staff Salaries** -

It was resolved to ask the Deputy Chairman and the Vice-Chancellor to review salary scales within the University and report to the Council.
Item 7 Cost of Living Adjustments -

It was resolved that the cost of living adjustment paid in the University should remain at the present level. It was also suggested that it might be made known to the staff that the Council had under consideration a review of salaries.

Item 13 Cafeteria -

It was resolved to adopt the Finance Committee's recommendation that the trading activities of the cafeteria be discontinued as soon as practicable. It was noted that this decision would not mean the suspension of facilities for serving morning and afternoon tea in the Old Hospital Buildings.

Item 17 Sale of Houses to Staff Members -

It was resolved to adopt the Finance Committee's recommendation that the approval of the Governor-General under Section 26(2) of the University Act be sought to the discharge by the University of certain trusts previously executed by Professor Ennor and Mr. Höhnen in relation to land which had been acquired by the University and on which houses for these gentlemen had been built.

The meeting then adjourned.
The 14th Meeting of the Council, adjourned on 27th November was resumed on Friday, 18th December, 1953, at 10.00 a.m.

Present: Dr. Coombs (in the Chair),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. Borrie,
Professor Burton,
Dr. Cameron,
Professor Eccles,
Mr. Fry,
Mr. Goodes,
Mr. Martin,
Senator McCallum,
Mr. Warren McDonald,
Professor Oliphant,
Sir Frank Richardson,
Professor Sawer,
Professor Wood,
Professor Wright.

The Registrar, the Second Assistant Registrar and the Graduate Assistant were in attendance.

An apology for absence was received from Senator Tangney.

7. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH: BUILDING PLANS:

The Vice-Chancellor read a letter from Dr. L. F. Loder, Director of the Department of Works, approving the plans in general terms. The documents asked for at the first session of this meeting had been circulated (727/1953, 725/1953, 205/1950, 726/1953). These documents satisfied Council as to the preparatory steps leading to the present plans.

It was resolved that the building plans for the John Curtin School of Medical Research be approved, being plans drawn by Hussen, Mackay and Potter Ltd., numbered JCS/10-25 inclusive.

8. ADVISERS ON BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

The minutes of the meetings of the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds held on 7th December, 1953, (731/1953) and on 14th December (742/1953) were before the meeting. Mr. McDonald drew attention to important matters in the minutes and added that he had now had a schedule from the architects for the Medical School buildings showing a total estimated savings of £66,000 on the estimates they had previously put before the Council in their second report; he indicated that the Advisers were not entirely satisfied by the progress being made by the architects.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor should express to Messrs. Hussen, Mackay and Potter the Council’s concern at apparent delays in the preparatory work and that he should request a schedule giving firm dates for letting subsidiary contracts as well as the main contract, taking into account the contractual obligation on the firm to prepare drawings in the greatest possible detail before tenders were called.
Following a discussion on the respective merits of slates and tiles for the Medical School Building, it was resolved to ask the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor, Mr. McDonald and Professor Eccles to take such advice as they thought fit, to confer with the Architects and to reach a decision as to the most suitable roofing material.

In discussion it was agreed that no final decision would be made on policy for the development of the site till a Site Consultant had been appointed and his report considered.

9. **MR. MOIR**:

The Council asked that a letter of sympathy be addressed to Mr. Moir on the recent death of Mrs. Moir.

10. **FINANCE COMMITTEE**:

The Vice-Chancellor reported on the meeting of Finance Committee held on 17th December, 1953. With the following exceptions it was agreed to refer matters arising from the meeting to the Standing Committee.

(a) **University House Tariffs**

It was agreed to adopt Finance Committee's recommendation that subject to later review in the light of experience of the working of the House, the following tariffs be adopted:

- Study Bedrooms £ 6.18. 6 per week
- Single Rooms with Bath £ 7.15. 0 " "
- Two-room Flats £ 9. 0. 0 " "
- Corner Flats £ 8. 8. 0 " " without board.

(b) **Scholars' Allowances**

It was resolved that scholars' allowances should be raised from the date of occupation of University House to £655 per annum and that the full allowance be paid to all scholars, those living in University House being responsible themselves for payment of the tariff for whichever type of accommodation they chose or could be allocated.

(c) **Guest Rooms at University House**

It was agreed that the Board of Graduate Studies be invited to consider what need there might be for guest rooms at University House; a retaining fee for such rooms would be payable to the House.

11. **AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT**

A memorandum from the Vice-Chancellor on Accounting for Stock and Equipment (753/1953) was before the meeting. He reported that he had just had a telephone message which appeared to indicate that the Auditor-General would be satisfied by the procedure proposed.

/ It was resolved
It was resolved that on the Vice-Chancellor's recommendation approval be given to:

(a) an initial stocktake of all goods in store (at cost) and of goods other than those reasonably regarded as consumable or of little value issued throughout the University (showing cost if readily ascertainable, or otherwise catalogue price);

(b) an annual stocktake thereafter of goods in store; and a systematic and regular internal audit of inventory items with annual reconciliation with expenditure and balance sheet figures.

It was also resolved:

that the Treasury be informed that a supplementary vote may be needed as the cost involved in carrying out this work had not been provided for in this year's estimates.

12. DEANSHIPS:

The Vice-Chancellor was asked to submit recommendations on Deanships in the Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies to the next meeting of the Council.

13. PROFESSOR WHEARE:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Wheare had suggested that the continuance of his honorarium was no longer justified.

It was resolved that the honorarium to Professor Wheare be discontinued and that he be thanked for his great assistance in the past and for his offer of help in the future.

14. MOTTO:

It was resolved that the following be adopted as the University motto: "Naturam primum cognoscere rerum" (Virgil, Georgics II. 490).

15. RETIREMENT OF STAFF:

It was reported that Dr. T. Dunham, Jr., who had been offered a Readership in the Department of Astronomy, had asked whether in view of his long-term research programme he might expect a continuation of his appointment beyond the age of 65.

It was resolved that the Board of Graduate Studies and the Vice-Chancellor be asked to consider this matter as one of general principle and that Dr. Dunham be informed that the question was being considered.

16. UNIVERSITY HOUSE: (see also Minute 10)

(a) Name

A letter from Dr. Stanner (740/1953) was before the meeting. After a full discussion, it was agreed that no change in name should be made at present.

(b) Opening Ceremony
(b) **Opening Ceremony**

A report on the proposals for the opening of University House by His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh on 16th February, 1954, (754/1953) was before the meeting. It was agreed that the proposals be approved.

(c) **Australian Academy of Sciences**

A request to allow time while His Royal Highness was at University House for the presentation of a Royal Charter to the Australian Academy of Sciences was discussed but it was not considered appropriate to combine the two functions.

17. **PROFESSOR CROCKER**

An application from Professor Crocker (750/1953) for an extension of his leave of absence was before the meeting. After discussion it was agreed that his leave should not be extended, and that a letter should be sent to the Minister for External Affairs pointing out that the Council considers that the development of Professor Crocker's Department is of great importance, and that this should have the first claim on his time.

18. **CANBERRA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE**

A report (611/1953) prepared by the University Architect on land available on the University Site for Canberra University College and notes of a meeting with the Secretary of the Department of the Interior on the 21st October, 1953, were before the meeting. It was reported that further discussions had taken place between the College and the Department of the Interior, but that no definite offer of land had been made. It was agreed that this matter be deferred for a further report.

19. **ACTING VICE-CHANCELLOR**

The Council resolved to place on record its thanks and appreciation of the work done by Professor Oliphant while acting as Vice-Chancellor since the departure of Sir Douglas Copland and until the arrival of Mr. Melville.

20. **COMMONWEALTH OBSERVATORY, MT. STROKLO**

Deferred for later report when the Department of the Interior is in a position to discuss the proposed incorporation of the Observatory in the University.

21. **ADMISSION OF PRESS TO COUNCIL MEETINGS**

A report on the procedure in other Australian universities (666/1953) was before the meeting. After discussion it was agreed that no action be taken on admitting the Press to meetings of the Council, and that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to consider proposals for making information concerning University developments available to the Press.

22. **ASSISTANCE IN BUYING OR BUILDING DWELLINGS**

Deferred for later consideration.
23. BIOGRAPHY OF THE LATE RT. HON. W. M. HUGHES:

It was reported that the late Mr. Hughes' Executors had now been furnished with an undertaking that the manuscript of the biography being prepared in the University would be submitted before publication to allow the Executors to take advice on their possible legal liability for publication.

24. DISCIPLINE STATUTE:

Deferred for later report.

25. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH - PROPOSED CHANGE OF NAME:

A proposal to change the name of the School to John Curtin School of Medical Sciences was considered, and also an alternative title, the John Curtin Research School of Medical Sciences. After discussion it was resolved that no change be made in the present name.

26. TRIBUTES TO STAFF:

The Vice-Chancellor reported receipt of a copy of a letter from Sir William Penny to General Stevens thanking him for Australian assistance in the recent tests at Woomera and paying particular tribute to the scientific assistance of Professor Titterton.

Professor Oliphant reported that at the Annual Meeting of the Royal Society in London on 1st December, the President had referred most warmly to the work in this University of Professor Eccles.

27. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES - SALARIES:

It was resolved to refer to the Finance Committee a recommendation of the Director of the Research School of Physical Sciences that Dr. R. S. Wilson, Mr. J. W. Blamey and Dr. G. A. Joplin, who at present are each on a fixed salary of £1,250 per annum, should be placed on normal increments rising to a salary of £1,390 per annum.

28. PUBLICATIONS:

It was reported to the meeting that the Chairman of the Publication Committee, Mr. Webb, had discussed the situation with the Vice-Chancellor, and it was agreed that it was not practicable to open negotiations with the Melbourne University Press in the current year. In the meantime, arrangements will be made for the publication of manuscripts becoming available on the best terms available from Australian publishers.

The report was received.

29. UNIVERSITY VISITOR - PROFESSOR L. W. ALVAREZ:

On the recommendation of the Director of the Research School of Physical Sciences, it was agreed that Professor Alvarez, of the University of California, be treated as a University guest during his stay in Canberra from January 14th to February 5th, 1954.
30. **UNIVERSITY PHYSICIAN**:

The Council, at its 13th meeting, authorized the Registrar to conclude an arrangement for the appointment of a physician to the University in Canberra. The Registrar now reported that Dr. F.B. Uther was willing to act in this capacity, and would require no honorarium, only charging fees for services actually rendered. It was resolved to appoint Dr. F. B. Uther as University Physician.

31. **DATES OF MEETINGS**:

The Registrar reported that a proposal was being considered to hold a Degree Ceremony for the conferring of the first University ordinary degrees during the Chancellor's visit to Australia in February. In this case it might be necessary to have a meeting of Council to approve the award of the degrees. It was agreed that a meeting of Council should be called if this were required, but that otherwise the meeting of the Standing Committee arranged for the 12th February should still take place.

32. **FIXATIONS OF SEAL**:

A list of the documents to which the Seal had been fixed since the last meeting of Council (739/1953) was submitted and noted.
A meeting of the Council was held at the University on Thursday, 18th February, 1954, at 11 a.m.

Present: The Chancellor (in the Chair),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Dr. Coombs,
Professor Bailey,
Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Borrie,
Professor Burton,
Dr. Cameron,
Professor Davidson,
Mr. Dawes,
Professor Eccles,
Mr. Fry,
Mr. Martin,
Senator McCallum,
Professor Oliphant,
Professor Partridge,
Sir Frank Richardson,
Sir David Rivett,
Professor Sawyer,
Senator Tangney,
Professor Wood,
Professor Wright.

The Registrar, the First Assistant Registrar and the Graduate Assistant were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. A.S. Brown, Mr. Goodes and Dr. Wilson.

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the 14th meeting of the Council, held on 27th November, 1953 (710/1953) and adjourned until 13th December, 1953 (761/1953), having been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. STANDING COMMITTEE:

The minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee held on 12th February, 1954 (90/1954) and the documents associated therewith (82/1954 and 63/1954) were submitted.

In connection with Item 2, University House, the Registrar tabled copies of the Liquor Ordinance 1954 for the information of Councillors.

In connection with Item 3(a)(ii), Finance Committee, members of the Standing Committee said that they thought the Committee intended that the fee chargeable to Councillors living in Canberra for membership of University House should be eight and not twelve guineas, and the Council endorsed an eight-guinea fee.

Item 4(a), Contract Dates for Medical School, was noted.
Item 5(7), Staff Retiring Age, was discussed. The Board of Graduate Studies had recommended that the Council should give "sympathetic consideration" to extensions of tenures beyond the retiring age in suitable circumstances.

The Council decided to suggest to the Board the following formula, viz.: that the Council would consider the circumstances and the nature of the work being done and decide on an extension having regard to the merits of each application.

Item 5(9), Re-naming of Medical School, was fully discussed, Professor Oliphant, Dr. Coombs, Senator Tangney, Mr. Beazley and other members addressing the Council. The feeling of the Council was that though, as a matter of substance, it might be desirable to change the name of the Medical School to the "John Curtin School of Medical Sciences", it would be unwise at the present stage to seek an amendment of the University Act on so relatively small a point, and improper in the meantime to adopt a changed name even for such purposes as letterheads, notices and advertisements. Professor Oliphant, who had been in touch with Sir Howard Florey in this matter, expressed himself satisfied with the tenor of the discussion.

It was accordingly resolved to take no formal or informal steps to change the name of the School, but to seek a formal change when the University Act was first under amendment.

Item 8, Convocation: Amendment of Statute. It was resolved to appoint the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oliphant, Professor Bailey and Mr. Fry as a committee to review the constitution of Convocation as recommended by the Standing Committee.

3. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

(a) Meeting of 17th December, 1953 -

The minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 17th December, 1953 (4/1954) were submitted. It was noted that some of the matters dealt with at this meeting had been considered by the Council on 18th December, 1953, and the others by the Standing Committee on 12th February, 1954 (see Item 2 above).

Item 9(8), University House Membership Fees - the Vice-Chancellor said that he would ask the Fellows to consider whether, in accordance with a suggestion from Sir David Rivett, membership of University House could be used to bring the senior members of the staff of C.S.I.R.O. into a closer relation with the University.

(b) Meeting of 12th February, 1954 -

The minutes of the Finance Committee's meeting of 12th February, 1954 (91/1954) were submitted.

Item 6, Review of Academic Salaries - the Vice-Chancellor circulated copies of the preliminary note on this matter (69/1954) and indicated that a fuller report with specific recommendations would be brought forward after he had had further opportunities to confer with the Deputy Chairman of the Council.
Item 10, Permission to Raise Loan — it was resolved to authorize the loan recommended by the Finance Committee and to consent to the general principle that members of the University superannuation scheme should not be permitted to raise loans on the security of policies assigned to the University under the scheme.

Item 16, University House, Tenure of Chairman of Fellows — the Vice-Chancellor indicated that Dr. Stammer wished to devote his full time to research from 1st March, 1954, and for that purpose wished to withdraw from the Chairmanship of the Fellows of University House. The Council resolved to ask the Chancellor and the Vice-Chancellor to seek advice from the Fellows and to take action in the Council's name to appoint another Chairman of the Fellows.

The following items were also mentioned in discussion:

Item 4 Budgetary Report
7(a) Salary Re-assessments, Research School of Physical Sciences
8 Superannuation of Married Women
12 Brassey House
14(a) Hostel subsidies, Revision of Scale
15 Delegations of Authorities.

Subject to the resolutions noted above it was resolved that the recommendations of the Finance Committee be adopted.

4. ADVISERS ON BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

The minutes of the meeting of the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds held on 26th January, 1954 (35/1954) were submitted. It was noted that these minutes had been considered by the Standing Committee on 12th February (see Item 2 above).

In connection with Item 6, Consultant for the Site, the Vice-Chancellor said that the name tentatively mentioned at the meeting of the Standing Committee and referred to in the Standing Committee's minutes was that of Mr. Grenfell Rudduck, and Professor Davidson now asked that the name of Mr. Roy Grounds be kept in mind. The Vice-Chancellor said that a decision on the appointment of a Site Consultant would be left for the Council itself to make.

5. DEANSHIPS:

The Vice-Chancellor said that he was not yet ready to make a proposal concerning Deanships.

6. PROFESSOR CROCKER'S LEAVE:

There was a full discussion of this matter, the Vice-Chancellor indicating that he was under pressure from the Minister for External Affairs to agree to an extension of
Professor Crocker's leave and that he might shortly receive strong and urgent representations from the Government itself in this behalf. Most Councillors felt that it was very important, from the University's point of view, that Professor Crocker should return at or shortly after the end of his present leave. After discussion it was resolved to empower the Deputy Chairman and Vice-Chancellor to proceed with negotiations in this matter, the Council contemplating that if it were the strong and insistent view of the Government that the national interest required Professor Crocker's continued presence in India an extension of his leave might be arranged, but that any such extension should not continue beyond 31st December, 1954.

7. INCORPORATION OF COMMONWEALTH OBSERVATORY:

The Registrar said that this matter was still being examined by officers of the Department of the Interior.

8. ASSISTANCE IN BUYING OR BUILDING DWELLINGS:

A memorandum on the practice in other universities (92/1954) was submitted and noted.

9. UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

The second report of the Fellows (UH.17/1953) was submitted. This report had previously been before the Standing Committee on 11th November, 1953, but certain matters remained to be considered.

It was resolved that the Fellows' proposals concerning the budget for the House be referred to the Finance Committee and that the full report be submitted to the Council at the next meeting.

10. CHANCELLOR'S TRAVELLING EXPENSES:

The Vice-Chancellor suggested to the Council that the University should meet at any rate some part of the travelling expenses of a Chancellor visiting the University from abroad.

Lord Bruce indicated that though he thought it would be proper for the University to treat him as its guest while in Canberra he would not be able to accept any University contribution towards his steamer fares or his expenses other than those incurred in Canberra.

11. OPENING OF UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

It was formally reported that on 16th February, 1954, His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh had performed the opening ceremony of University House. The Chancellor expressed his own and the Councillors' appreciation of the high standard of the preparations for and conduct of the ceremony. The Council asked that a note conveying the Council's thanks to all concerned and signed by the Chancellor should be appropriately circulated in the University.

12. CONFERRING OF DEGREES - ANTONI PRZYBYLSKI AND K.O.L. BURIDGE:

The Council having noted (see Item 2 above) that Dr. Antoni Przybylski and Mr. K.O.L. Burridge had complied with the requirements prescribed for admission to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, the Council now resolved that the Chancellor be authorized to confer these degrees later in the day.
13. **NEXT MEETING:**

It was resolved that the Council should meet next on Monday, 12th April, 1954.

A meeting of the Council was held at the University on Monday, 12th April, 1954, at 10.30 a.m.

Present: Dr. Coombs (in the Chair),
        The Vice-Chancellor,
        Mr. Borrie,
        Mr. A. S. Brown,
        Professor Burton,
        Dr. Cameron,
        Professor Davidson,
        Professor Eccles,
        Mr. Fry,
        Mr. Goodey,
        Senator McCallum,
        Mr. Warren McDonald,
        Professor Oliphant,
        Professor Partridge,
        Professor Sawyer,
        Senator Tangney,
        Dr. Roland Wilson,
        Major-General Windleyer,
        Professor Wood,
        Professor Wright.

The Registrar, the Assistant Registrar (Mr. Maurice Brown) and the Graduate Assistant were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Professor Bailey, Mr. Dawes, Mr. Martin, Sir Frank Richardson and Sir David Rivett.

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the meeting held on 18th February, 1954 (103/1954), having been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. CANBERRA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE - FUTURE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UNIVERSITY:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that a special meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies had been held on 26th March, 1954, and referred to a document (178/1954) which had been circulated to Councillors in which he had conveyed the Board's recommendation that the University should proceed in the near future to an incorporation with the College.

During the discussion Professor Burton expressed the opinion that members of the College would prefer incorporation in the Australian National University to its development as an independent university, and said that he welcomed the proposal made by the Board of Graduate Studies.

/It was resolved:--
It was resolved: -

(a) to invite the Council of the Canberra University College to collaborate with the University in examining the question of incorporation, and for that purpose to suggest that the College Council should designate four people, including perhaps two academic members, to join a working party;

(b) to ask the Vice-Chancellor to suggest to the next meeting four members of the Council and staff of the University to join a working party;

(c) to take steps to ensure that the working party, if it were established, should have facilities for collaboration with the academic staffs of the College and the University.

The Council expressed the opinion that, if the working party were established, a public statement might be made that the matter of incorporation was being considered jointly by the two institutions.

3. ADVISERS ON BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

The Council considered the following documents: -

(a) minutes of the meeting of the Advisers held on 22nd March, 1954 (162/1954);

(b) a note from the Registrar concerning brick supplies for the Medical School buildings (174/1954);

(c) a letter from Messrs. Mussen, Mackay and Potter dated 22nd March, 1954, on the Medical buildings (153/1954).

It was resolved to authorize the ordering of common bricks from the Bowral Brick Works, and the cancellation of the corresponding part of the order on the Canberra Brick Works.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the most recent Medical School plans delivered by Messrs. Mussen, Mackay and Potter showed certain important divergences from the plans approved by the Council on 16th December, 1953 (Minutes, Item 7). After urgent consultation with the staff of the Medical School, the Vice-Chancellor had insisted that Messrs. Mussen, Mackay and Potter redraw the plans to bring them into substantial conformity with those approved by the Council. It was however expected that these plans would cause about a month's delay in the design work on the building.

The Vice-Chancellor recalled that approval had previously been given for Messrs. Mussen, Mackay and Potter to work in Melbourne, in consultation with their mechanical consultants, on the understanding that they would return to Canberra not later than 1st April, 1954. They had now asked whether this approval might be extended until 17th May. Mr. McDonald expressed the view that the architects' absence from Canberra and their failure to establish an office in Canberra with a staff capable of authoritative action and day-to-day supervision, had resulted in substantial delay in the excavation contract and had already made it unlikely that
the time schedules for the preliminary and major contracts could be adhered to. It was accordingly resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor in consultation with Mr. McDonald to write a letter to Messrs. Mussen, Mackay and Potter embodying the following propositions:

(a) the Council is dissatisfied with the supervision exercised by the architects over the excavation works and their delays in certain other matters, and regards the architects as responsible for the costs arising from these inadequacies and delays;

(b) the Council is of opinion that one partner of the firm of Mussen, Mackay and Potter should reside continuously in Canberra, and should be supported by capable supervising staff. The Council wishes to have the architects' proposals in this matter;

(c) the Council is not willing to concur in the suggestion that the architects remain any longer in Melbourne.

It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor, in consultation with the Advisers, to accept a tender for the preliminary works on the building.

In connection with Item 5 of the Advisers' minutes, Consultant for the Site, in which the Advisers had suggested the names of Professor Winston and Mr. Rudduck, the Vice-Chancellor said that the Site Development Committee of the Board of Graduate Studies had considered this matter and had expressed a preference for Mr. Rudduck.

After discussion it was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to prepare, in consultation with the Advisers and with representatives of the Board of Graduate Studies, a report on the proposal to appoint a Site Consultant, with observations on the qualifications, duties, emoluments and tenure of the proposed Consultant.

With the qualifications indicated, it was resolved that the Advisers' recommendations, as set out in their minutes, be adopted.

4. CANBERRA HOUSE - FUTURE USE:

The Vice-Chancellor discussed with the Council the future use of Canberra House. The Vice-Chancellor said he had come to the conclusion that the building was not suitable for the accommodation of the administrative staff, and he had been advised by the Deans of the Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies that it could not be used without a great deal of modification for the purposes of those Schools. Other suggestions which had been made to use the building were that some of the rooms might be let as a headquarters for the Australian Academy of Sciences, and some used as an anthropological museum. The Vice-Chancellor's own view was that the building should be let for some suitable community purpose, preferably one having residential aspects. The University's accommodation needs would however be acute in 1955, and there might be some opposition within the University to any proposal to let the premises.

It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to prepare for the Council a report on the possible uses of the building and the costs respectively involved.

/5. UNIVERSITY HOUSE:
5. UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

(a) Report of Governing Body

The Council considered a report of the Governing Body of University House and a redraft (U.H. 7/1954) by the Governing Body of the University House Statute and Rules.

In connection with Item 1 of the report, University House Statute and Rules, the Council resolved:

(i) that "Deputy-Master" would be a preferable title to "Vice-Master";

(ii) to invite the Fellows to set out in general terms for the confidential information of the Council the points they had in mind in issuing invitations to membership of the House and to residence;

(iii) to note Professor Eccles' advice that it was now desired to withdraw the proposal for the election of Junior Fellows of the House;

(iv) to ask the Fellows to reconsider the proposal in Item 1(iii)(f) that graduates of the University resident within 20 miles of the University should be entitled to membership.

In connection with Item 2 of the report, Membership of University House, it was resolved:

(i) to ask the Legislation Advisers to advise the Council on the practice of appointing official Visitors;

(ii) to defer consideration of the proposal for honorary membership;

(iii) to postpone a decision on fees for invited members until the Finance Committee had considered it.

The Council adopted the nomination of Professor Oliphant for appointment as the eighth Fellow of the House.

It was resolved to refer to the Finance Committee the question of the emoluments of the Bursar and the Steward.

(b) The Master

It was resolved to take no present action on the suggestion made by the Vice-Chancellor that the Master of University House should be co-opted to the Council.
The Registrar said that minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 11th April would be circulated later, but he now distributed an extract of the substantial recommendations made at the meeting (221/1954).

After a full discussion of Item 6, Salary Review, it was resolved:

(a) that in the Council's opinion the salaries of members of the academic staff should be increased;

(b) that the Finance Committee be invited to advise the Council what corresponding adjustments to staff salaries would be appropriate if the normal professorial salary were to be fixed at £3,000 per annum (including cost-of-living adjustment);

(c) to ask the Vice-Chancellor to consult the Commonwealth Government as to the funds which might be made available for the purpose of paying increased salaries in 1954-1955.

In connection with Item 17, Study Leave, the Council decided to suggest to the Finance Committee that the minute might be redrafted to make it clear that expenses incurred as a result of official duties during study leave should be paid by the University only when the circumstances had been submitted to, and prior authority been obtained from, the Finance Committee by the Dean or Director.

It was resolved that the other recommendations made in the document now before the Council be adopted.

7. AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT - ACCOUNTING FOR STOCK AND EQUIPMENT:

The Vice-Chancellor submitted a memorandum (210/1954) and a supporting document (104/1954) setting out his recommendations for the installation of a system to provide for the keeping of inventories at a capital cost of about £8,450—including £5,000 as the cost of an extension to the Physics building to give increased storage accommodation. The Council agreed to this proposal.

8. ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1953:

Mr. A.S. Brown expressed the view that if it appeared that it would be difficult to present the University's Annual Report in proper form to the Governor-General by the date prescribed in the Act, this fact should be brought to the notice of the Prime Minister before that date.

9. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES:

A report of the meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies held on 26th March, 1954 (169/1954), was submitted.

It was resolved to approve the following recommendations and appointments, but to defer consideration of the remainder of the report:

(a) Dr. W.I.B. Smith
(a) Dr. W.I.B. Smith —
that Dr. W.I.B. Smith be appointed Senior Fellow in the Department of Particle Physics at a basic commencing salary of £1,390 per annum as from 5th June, 1954;

(b) Dr. L.U. Hibbard —
that Dr. L.U. Hibbard be appointed Senior Research Engineer in the Research School of Physical Sciences at a basic commencing salary of £1,390 per annum as from 1st January, 1954, the appointment carrying the rank and privileges, including study leave, of a Senior Fellow;

(c) Mr. E. Irving —
that Mr. E. Irving be appointed Research Fellow in the Department of Geophysics; commencing date and salary to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor;

(d) Mr. R.D. Edge —
that Mr. R.D. Edge be appointed Research Fellow in the Department of Nuclear Physics; commencing date and salary to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor;

(e) Mr. E.K. Inall —
that Mr. E.K. Inall's Research Fellowship in Nuclear Physics be extended for a further two years as from 1st August, 1954;

(f) Professor J.A. Passmore —
that Professor J.A. Passmore be invited to accept appointment as Reader in Philosophy; that he be appointed at the top of the salary range, viz. with a basic salary of £A1,840; that the commencing date of the appointment be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor; that he be allowed to spend twelve months from the end of 1954 in Oxford on full salary and to take up his Readership in Canberra at the beginning of 1956; that he be asked to undertake to render the University not less than three years' service after his return from the United Kingdom; and that his period of entitlement to study leave as Reader be deemed to begin on his arrival in Canberra to take up duty;

(g) Mr. M.E. Wise —
that if private consultations which were then proceeding should indicate that Mr. M.E. Wise were willing to accept a Senior Research Fellowship in Statistics at the top of the range, he should be offered such an appointment, the other conditions to be determined by the Vice-Chancellor;

/(h) Miss Margaret Kiddle
(h) Miss Margaret Kiddle -
appointed to a One-Year Research Fellowship in History from 1st February, 1954, with an all-inclusive grant-in-aid of £1,100;

(i) Mr. W. D. Borrie -
nominated by the Commonwealth Government as an expert to attend the World Population Conference in Rome in September next, being granted leave by the University to enable him to attend;

(j) Lord Lindsay -
that Lord Lindsay be appointed Senior Fellow from 1st March, 1954, with a basic commencing salary of £1,550 per annum and within a range to be decided by the Vice-Chancellor;

(k) Dr. P. Lawrence -
that Dr. Lawrence be appointed Research Fellow in the Department of Anthropology and Sociology from 1st May, 1954, at a basic commencing salary of £890 per annum.

10. NEXT MEETING:

It was resolved that the Council should meet next on Friday, 14th May, 1954.

21st April, 1954.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

COUNCIL

The 17th meeting of the Council was held at the University on Friday, 14th May, 1954, at 10 a.m.

Present: The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Bailey, Mr. Borrie, Professor Burton, Professor Davidson, Mr. Dawes, Professor Eccles, Mr. Fry, Mr. Goodes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Warren McDonald, Professor Oliphant, Professor Partridge, Sir David Rivett, Professor Sawyer, Professor Wood, Professor Wright.

Dr. Coombs was present for the latter part of the meeting at which he took the Chair. Sir David Rivett was elected to the Chair for the earlier part of the meeting.

The Registrar, an Assistant Registrar (Mr. Maurice Brown) and the Graduate Assistant were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Dr. Cameron, Senator McCallum and Major-General Windeyer.

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meeting, copies of which had been circulated (226/1954) were received.

In connection with Item 5, University House, it was pointed out that the Council had decided to approve the recommendation of the Governing Body on the question of fees for invited members and not to refer the question to the Finance Committee.

With this amendment it was resolved that the minutes be taken as read and be confirmed.

2. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

(a) Meeting of 11th April, 1954 -

The minutes of the Finance Committee held on 11th April, 1954 (234/1954) were submitted. It was noted that the Council had already dealt with Items 5, 6, 11, 17(a) and 18 of these minutes.

It was resolved that the minutes, with the exceptions of the items mentioned above, be approved and the Committee's recommendations adopted.
2.

(b) Meeting of 13th May, 1954 -

It was resolved that the minutes of this meeting, with the exception mentioned in the ensuing paragraph, be considered by the Standing Committee.

Review of Academic Salaries -

The Council considered a report (283/1954) of a discussion between the Vice-Chancellor and the Heads of Schools, and an extract of the minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 13th May. The Finance Committee had recommended that, if the standard professorial salary were to be advanced to £3,000 per annum, the following adjustments should be made in the salaries of other grades of the academic staff:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Recommended Scale</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Director</td>
<td>£4,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reader</td>
<td>£2,100-2,400</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Senior Fellow</td>
<td>£1,900-2,350</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fellow</td>
<td>£1,350-1,950</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Senior Research Fellow</td>
<td>£1,650-2,100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Research Fellow</td>
<td>£1,100-1,650</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

After discussion the Council resolved that the Vice-Chancellor should base his approach to the Government on the prospect that, if funds were available, salaries as recommended above would be paid to the academic staff.

It was resolved that the Board of Graduate Studies should be invited to discuss the role and status of Research Fellows in the University.

3. AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT :

The Vice-Chancellor submitted a memorandum (210/1954) and certain interim reports on matters raised by the Auditor General as follows:

(a) Buildings and Service Installations -

The Council considered and approved document 211/1954 and resolved that no further cost-plus contracts be entered into by the University.

/(b) Expenditure on
(b) **Expenditure on Works, Supplies and Services; Tender Procedure**

The Council considered and approved document 212/1954 and resolved in particular:

(i) that the Council direct that public tenders be invited for all building works to cost more than £200 other than works to be performed by the University's day labour staff;

(ii) that the Vice-Chancellor may dispense with public advertisement and invite tenders from known contractors in circumstances which he considers warrant such action (see attached statement of procedure);

(iii) that tenders be invited and dealt with in accordance with the attached statement of procedure.

(c) **Rental Policy; Housing; Tenancy Agreements**

The Council considered document 213/1954 in which the Vice-Chancellor recalled a proposal previously adopted by the Council that rentals should be based on 1953 valuations of houses, subject to the arrangement whereby, subject to certain safeguards as to standard of housing, University officers occupying University dwellings pay no more than 1 1/2% of salary by way of rent. The Vice-Chancellor said that the Minister for the Interior had declined to exempt the University from the relevant provisions of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance but the Finance Committee recommended, none the less, the immediate implementation of the scheme proposed, provided that it would not materially affect the University's receipts from rents: he was now able to say that it would not.

It was resolved to give effect immediately to the new rental policy outlined in the document under consideration.

(d) **Loans to and Financing of Private Purchases by Members of the University Staff**

The Council considered and approved document 214/1954 agreeing in particular to the Vice-Chancellor's suggestions about removal expenses and study leave expenses.

At the Council's invitation the Vice-Chancellor agreed to examine the question of establishing a Staff Welfare Fund from which payments and advances could be made to members of the staff in circumstances in which it would not be appropriate to use public funds.
4. BUILDINGS AND SITE MATTERS:

(a) John Curtin School of Medical Research -

(i) Relations with Architect -

The Vice-Chancellor said that following the last meeting of the Council he had conferred with Messrs. Mussen, Mackay and Potter and had now arranged that Mr. Mackay should replace Mr. Mussen as the firm's active representative in matters connected with the John Curtin School of Medical Research. He had also held full conferences with the Architects on matters in connection with which difficulties had arisen.

The Vice-Chancellor said that he would try to arrange an informal discussion between the Architects and available members of the Council.

(ii) Letting of Contracts -

Mr. Warren McDonald reported that only two formal tenders had been received for the completion of the Preliminary Works for the Medical School. Although each of these tenders had been substantially in excess of the estimated expenditure on the Preliminary Works, the Council's Advisers on Buildings and Grounds were still of the opinion that the Architects' estimate of cost had been reasonable and realistic. The two tenders received had been referred to the Architects for advice and, after further discussions with the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds, new tenders had been called on a modified basis, the boiler-house and solvent store being excluded from the contract and certain modifications being made in the proposed bonus and penalty provisions of the contract.

It was resolved that this report be noted and the action taken approved.

(b) Appointment of Site Consultant -

The Council considered a memorandum from the Vice-Chancellor on the history and objectives of the proposal to appoint a Site Consultant (260/1954) and the relevant item of the minutes of the meeting of the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds held on 10th May, 1954 (Item 5 of 279/1954).

The Vice-Chancellor recapitulated the grounds on which the Site Development Committee of the Board of Graduate Studies had preferred the appointment of Mr. Rudduck and those on which the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds had preferred the appointment of Professor Winston. Members of the Council expressed misgivings as to whether Professor Winston would in fact be able
personally to spare sufficient time at a convenient period of the year to give proper consideration to the planning of the site, the fact being mentioned that two of the Heads of Schools expected to be going abroad towards the end of the present academic year.

The Council asked the Vice-Chancellor to continue negotiations with Professor Winston and to discuss with him in particular the time he expected to be able to spend in consultations on the use of the site and on terms which he would think appropriate to such an appointment.

(c) Future Use of Canberra House -

The Council considered a memorandum from the Vice-Chancellor (274/1954) in which there were set out the various proposals which had been made for the future use of Canberra House, and in which the Vice-Chancellor recommended its use for the following purposes in the order mentioned:

(i) the establishment of a club;
(ii) the establishment of an art centre;
(iii) the residence of a diplomatic representative.

During discussion members of the Council referred to the provisions of Section 26(2) of the University Act concerning the University's powers to lease premises.

At Professor Wright's suggestion it was resolved that an appropriate notice be issued announcing that the University was not proposing for the time being to use Canberra House for its own purposes, and inviting bodies or persons to suggest uses for it, describing the projects for which and the terms on which occupancy was suggested.

5. ADVISERS ON LEGISLATION:

(a) Meeting of 5th March, 1954 -

The minutes of the meeting of the Advisers on Legislation held on 5th March, 1954 (113/1954) were introduced by Professor Bailey.

In connection with Item 45, Advancement of Science Fund Statute, it was resolved, at the Advisers' suggestion -

(i) to rescind the resolution adopted by the Council on this matter on 27th April, 1953;

(ii) to record the following resolution:

"The Vice-Chancellor said he had informed the Commissioner of Taxation that the University has established a fund for the encouragement of scientific research, out of
which it proposed to make payments from time to time against approved proposals by the Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science. He read a letter from the Commissioner intimating that contributions to the fund would be allowable deductions for income tax purposes, provided they are made by the donors to the University and become the property of the University.

It was resolved that the Fund be named 'The Advancement of Science Fund'; that it be administered by two trustees, namely the Vice-Chancellor and either Professor K.K. Bailey or Dr. Roland Wilson; and that the trustees be authorized to make, on behalf of the University Council and at the request of the Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science, payments to the Association or on its behalf for objects approved by the trustees."

(iii) to ask the Registrar to have a Deed of Trust concerning the Fund prepared.

In connection with Item 6, Academic Dress, it was resolved to defer the making of the proposed Statute (114/1954) and to ask the Board of Graduate Studies to reconsider Section 3(1)(b) concerning the edging of Masters' hoods in the light of Australian university practice.

It was resolved that the remaining parts of the minutes be approved, the Council noting that the question of the sale of liquor had been further dealt with at the Advisers' meeting of 2nd April, 1954.

(b) Meeting of 2nd April, 1954

The minutes of the Advisers' meeting held on 2nd April, 1954 (186/1954) were introduced by Professor Bailey.

In connection with Item 2, Courses and Degrees Rules, it was resolved to defer the making of the Rules and to suggest that the Board of Graduate Studies should consider the present draft (187/1954) and that attention should be directed particularly to Part VI, Rules 19(a), (e) and (f), 20, 23(3) and 27.

In connection with Item 3, Sale of Liquor Statute, it was resolved to refer the draft Statute, as set out in the Advisers' minutes, to the Governing Body of University House, the Council expressing the view that the proposed section 2 should be amended by the deletion of the provision enabling liquor to be sold to the guest of a member or resident of University House.
In connection with Item 4, Board of Graduate Studies Statute - Master of University House, it was resolved that in accordance with the Advisers' recommendation a Statute be made in the following form:-

"Statute No._

BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES AMENDMENT STATUTE NO. 2

1. Section 1 of Statute No. 4 - Board of Graduate Studies Statute (as amended) is amended by inserting after the word 'Vice-Chancellor,' the words 'The Master of University House,'.

6. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES:

The report of the meeting of 26th March, 1954 (169/1954), was submitted. The Council had already, at its meeting of 12th April, dealt with Item 4(b), (c) and (d) and Item 12 of this report.

It was now resolved that the remainder of the report be approved, mention being made particularly of Item 2, Membership of the Board - Master of University House, and Item 6, Courses and Degrees Rules.

7. UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

A report of the meeting of the Governing Body of University House held on 14th May, 1954 (273/1954) was submitted and the following conclusions reached on matters referred by the Governing Body for the Council's decision:

1. Membership of University House -

   (i) Honorary Members

   The Council agreed to the admission of Sir Robert Garran and Sir Frederic Eggleston to honorary membership but hoped that the Governing Body would regard as the basis of this action the eminence of these two gentlemen in scholarly pursuits, and their contribution to the establishment of the University generally. It was further resolved to invite the Governing Body to consider the use of honorary Fellowships for the purpose of associating distinguished persons with the House.

   (ii) "Provincial" Members

   The Council approved the charging of a fee of five guineas per annum to members not living within the Capital Territory or within twenty miles of the University, but hoped that it would not be necessary to refer to them as "provincial" members.
(iii) Entitlement

It was agreed to adopt the Governing Body's recommendation that the membership of the House should include "graduates of the Australian National University".

2. Tenure of Fellowships

(i) Professor Oliphant

It was resolved to accept the Governing Body's recommendation that Professor Oliphant's tenure as a Fellow should extend for three years from April 9th, 1954.

(ii) Dr. Fazekas and Dr. Joplin

The Governing Body had suggested that the appointments of Dr. Fazekas and Dr. Joplin be renewed for three years from their expiry date in August, 1954.

It was resolved that Dr. Fazekas and Dr. Joplin be reappointed as Fellows for three years from the expiry of their present tenure in August, 1954.

Members paid tribute to the work done by Dr. Fazekas and Dr. Joplin as Steward and Deputy Steward respectively. The view, however, was strongly urged that as soon as possible a person resident in the House should be selected as Steward and it was made clear that the extension of the tenure of the Fellowships of Dr. Fazekas and Dr. Joplin did not, in the Council's view, imply their continued occupancy of their present offices.

It was resolved that the proceedings reported by the Governing Body be noted.

8. CANBERRA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE:

(a) Future Relationship with University

On the Vice-Chancellor's recommendation it was resolved to invite Professor Fenner, Professor Sawer, Mr. Parker and Mr. Goodee to represent the University in discussions with the College concerning the proposed incorporation of the College and the University. It was noted that the Vice-Chancellor would ex officio be a member of the joint committee and he was asked to appoint additional members should any of those named be unable to act.

Professor Burton said that the College would be represented by Dr. Dickson, Mr. Daley, Professor Hope, Professor Crisp and himself.
The Vice-Chancellor pointed out that, in pursuance of a recently enacted Ordinance affecting the College, the University was entitled to appoint a member of the College Council.

It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to accept appointment as a member of the Council of the College.

Reference was made to the material previously submitted to the Council concerning the proposal that the Commonwealth Observatory should be incorporated in the University (115-118/1954 and 656/1953). A further document recording a discussion between the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oliphant, Professor Woolley and Mr. W.A. McLaren (Secretary of the Department of the Interior) (285/1954) was now submitted.

Professor Oliphant said that the Observatory Board of Visitors had recommended the incorporation of the Observatory in the University.

After discussion it was resolved that the Council -

(a) indicate its agreement in principle to the proposed incorporation;
(b) invite the Vice-Chancellor to designate a small committee to prepare detailed proposals concerning incorporation for submission to the Council.

The report of the Committee appointed by the Council was submitted (199/1954).

It was resolved that in the Council's view a Discipline Statute should be drafted on the following lines:

(a) All persons engaged in academic work in the University should be subject to discipline.
(b) Minor offences should be punishable by fine (of not more than £5) or admonition by the Vice-Chancellor, a Director or a Dean. All fines should be reported to the Vice-Chancellor.
(c) Serious offences should be referred to a Discipline Committee comprising the Vice-Chancellor, the Heads of Schools and the Professor of Law. The Committee should have power to admonish or fine or to recommend to the Standing Committee of Council the diminution of the member's privileges.
(d) Any person whose rights and privileges in the University are proposed to be diminished, whether by exclusion or otherwise, should be at liberty to appeal to the Council.

It was resolved that these observations be referred to the Board of Graduate Studies for the Board's comments.
11. CONVOCATION STATUTE:

A report of the Board's Committee on this matter (200/1954) was submitted. The report contained proposals for the substantial amendment of the Convocation Statute. The Council noted that the Committee had assumed that in future persons joining the permanent staff of the University would be admitted to "official" degrees and become members of Convocation in that way.

It was resolved to invite the comments of the Board of Graduate Studies on the Board's report.

12. FORMATION OF SPORTS UNION:

Letters from Professor Davidson of 9th April (P.S.3) and 4th May (270/1954) reporting the foundation of the Australian National University Sports Union and making certain proposals for the provision of sporting facilities were received.

It was resolved to note with approval the action taken to establish a Sports Union and to defer further action in the matter until the Union was able to submit its Constitution for the Council's information.

13. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES - EQUIPMENT:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that after the Woomera Atomic weapon tests Sir William Penney had arranged for a long-term loan of a number of items of electronic equipment which Professor Titterton required for the nuclear physics programme in Canberra. A gift of a quantity of electronic stores of a consumable type had also been made to the Department. The estimated replacement value of the items was over £2,000 and represented a generous return to the University for the contribution which members of the Department of Nuclear Physics had been able to make during the test period.

The Vice-Chancellor had already conveyed the University's thanks to Sir William Penney.

The Council expressed its pleasure at these developments.

14. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHANCELLOR:

It was reported that, formal evidence of the Vice-Chancellor's age having been received, the following Order made conditionally by the Council on 9th October, 1953, was now in force: -

"ORDER NO. 1

Tenure of Mr. L.G. Melville as Vice-Chancellor

Subject to the conditions of his appointment Leslie Galfreid Melville shall hold office as Vice-Chancellor until 31st December, 1967, provided that on giving the notice required by his conditions of appointment he may retire with superannuation benefits at any time after 26th March, 1962."
15. VISITING SCHOLAR - PROFESSOR ERIK SJÜQUIST:

The Master of University House had suggested that the University might contribute to the expenses of a visit to Australia by Professor Erik Sjüquist, Professor of Classical Archaeology at Princeton. After discussion it was resolved that the Council did not feel able to make a contribution.

16. BENEFACTION - MISS AMY E. HALL:

The Council received with pleasure a report that Miss Amy E. Hall of Blackall, Queensland, had presented £300.15.0 to the University for use in the purchase of a grand piano for University House.

17. LEAVE MATTERS:

(a) Professor Crocker -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that following representations by the Minister for External Affairs he had extended Professor Crocker's leave for a period ending not later than 31st December, 1954.

(b) Mr. W.D. Borrie -

Mr. Borrie, who proposed to be absent from Australia on study leave for twelve months from August, 1954, sought leave of absence from meetings of the Council during that period.

It was resolved that leave be granted.

18. ANNUAL REPORT:

A draft of the introductory section of the Report to the Governor-General on the University's transactions in 1953 (252/1954) was submitted and approved.

19. AFFIXATIONS OF SEAL:

A list of the documents to which the Seal had been affixed since the last meeting of the Council (280/1954) was submitted and noted.

20. BANKING FACILITIES:

The Registrar said that he had been approached by representatives of three trading banks with a request that they be allowed to conduct part-time agencies within the University grounds. They would be willing to share a small hut which was not required for other purposes.

It was resolved to accede to the banks' proposal, the details of the rent to be charged being left to the Vice-Chancellor to determine.

21. RETIRING COUNCILLORS:

The Council bade farewell and offered its thanks to Mr. E.C. Fry and Mr. A.W. Martin, who would cease to be members of the Council before the next meeting.
The Auditor General considers that a limit should be fixed for expenditure on works, supplies and services, above which tenders should be publicly invited and contracts taken; and that competent authority should be obtained by University officers where it is considered impractical to call tenders.

Building Works -

I recommend -

(a) that the Council direct that public tenders be invited for all building works to cost more than £200 other than works to be performed by the University's day labour staff;

(b) that the Vice-Chancellor may dispense with public advertisement and invite tenders from known contractors in circumstances which he considers warrant such action (see attached statement of procedure);

(c) that tenders be invited and dealt with in accordance with the attached statement of procedure.

Supplies and Equipment -

Supplies and equipment are at present purchased through the Central Purchasing Office except for the Schools of Research in Medicine and Physics.

The practice adopted by the Central Office has been to suit the procedure to the transaction; large orders of furniture, for example, have been ordered after considering public tenders; other supplies have been purchased after securing quotations from a number of suppliers or after careful consideration of each transaction.

In the Science Schools, public tenders have not been invited but I am assured that orders are only placed after the most careful consideration of quotations to ensure that purchasing is carried out to the best advantage.

The Council's present policy on the purchasing of supplies is set out in a resolution of the Council of 12th October, 1951 (copy attached). I propose shortly to examine the working of the present system but I am assured it is operating satisfactorily and that purchasing is carried out to the University's best advantage, having in mind the very great importance of providing those working in scientific research with the proper instruments and materials for their work.

/I recommend
I recommend that the Council make no change in procedure at present.

When tenders are publicly invited for supplies and equipment, I recommend that a procedure similar to that for building works be used.

L.G. MELVILLE,

Vice-Chancellor.

1st April, 1954.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

TENDER PROCEDURE

The following procedure will apply for all building contracts and sub-contracts for prime cost items let by the University where design has been the responsibility of the University architect. It will also apply with minor variations for building works designed by outside Architects.

General

1. Competitive prices will be obtained for all work from outside contractors where the estimate exceeds £200.

2. The normal procedure will be to call for fixed tenders by public advertisement.

3. In special circumstances, at the discretion of the Vice-Chancellor, tenders will not be called publicly but invited from known contractors. In these instances at least three tenders will be invited.

Detailed Procedure

1. Tenders will be advertised in the "Canberra Times" on Saturdays and Wednesdays. If warranted tenders will also be advertised in other capital cities.

2. Closing dates will be fixed for 2 p.m. Tuesday in each week where practicable. Tenderers will be advised that they may lodge tenders in the Tender Box or forward them by registered mail, enclosed in separate sealed envelopes marked "Tender" and endorsed with the name of the work. Tenders so received will be lodged in the Tender Box.

3. It will be the responsibility of the officer calling tenders to ensure that the advertisement appears in the appropriate publication and that a copy of the advertisement is placed on file.

4. The Tender Box will be kept in the Architect's Office and locked under the joint control of the Accountant and the Administrative Assistant (Architect's Office).

5. The Administrative Assistant will keep a diary of tender dates and be responsible to ensure that the Tender Box is delivered to the Tender Board and opened on closing dates.

6. The Tender Board will open, initial, and record the tenders received and will forward their recommendation to the Vice-Chancellor.

Minutes of Tender Board meetings will be kept by the Architect's Assistant.

Where Design is by Outside Architects

The Architect will be informed of the University's requirements regarding public tenders.

All detail for the calling of tenders, distribution of plans, and checking of advertisements will be done by the supervising Architect. However, the Architect will advise the University of closing dates and all tenders will close at the University, where possible at 2 p.m. on Tuesdays.
Tenders will then be opened by the Tender Board as described previously.

**Tender Board**

The Tender Board comprises the Registrar and the Accountant, Mr. Hodgkin (for housing or supplies and services), Mr. Scollay (for building matters), the Laboratory Managers (for matters affecting their respective Schools) and others as appropriate.
The 18th meeting of the Council was held at the University on Friday, 9th July, 1954, at 10 a.m.

Present: Dr. Coombs (in the Chair),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor Bailey,
Mr. Borrie,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Professor Burton,
Dr. Cameron,
Professor Eccles,
Mr. J.M. Gani,
Senator McCallum,
Mr. Warren McDonald,
Mr. A.H. Morton,
Professor Oliphant,
Professor Partridge,
Sir Frank Richardson,
Sir David Rivett,
Professor Sawyer,
Dr. Wilson,
Professor Wood,
Professor Wright.

Sir Howard Florey sat with the Council at the Deputy Chairman's invitation.

The Registrar, Mr. Maurice Brown (Assistant Registrar) and the Graduate Assistant were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Professor Davidson and Senator Tangney.

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meeting, copies of which had been circulated (294/1954), were taken as read and, with the minor amendments shown, were confirmed.

2. WELCOME:

The Deputy Chairman extended a welcome to Sir Howard Florey and invited him to join fully in the Council's debates.

3. MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL:

It was reported that Mr. J.M. Gani and Mr. A.H. Morton had been elected by the students as members of the Council and would serve for twelve months from 1st July, 1954. The Deputy Chairman welcomed the two new members to the Council's deliberations.

4. STANDING COMMITTEE:

The minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee held on 11th June, 1954 (365/1954) were submitted and it was resolved that the Committee's transactions be noted.
5. **FINANCE COMMITTEE** :

(a) **Meeting of 11th June, 1954** -

The minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 11th June, 1954 (354/1954) were submitted. It was noted that the recommendations contained in these minutes had been adopted by the Standing Committee meeting on 11th June.

Sir Frank Richardson directed the Council's attention to the recommendation of the Finance Committee recorded in Item 6(b), Salary Review, Senior Administrative Staff, and pointed out that they were at variance with recommendations made by the Vice-Chancellor. After discussion it was resolved:

(i) that recommendations in Item 6(b) be referred back to the Finance Committee for reconsideration in the light of the discussion at the Council;

(ii) that if the Finance Committee wished to submit proposals which in any instance altered significantly the present relationships between the administrative salaries concerned and academic salaries they should set out their reasons for the consideration of the Council.

(b) **Meeting of 8th July, 1954** -

An excerpt from the minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 8th July (416/1954) and the draft Running Costs and Capital Estimates for 1954-55 (237-246/1954 and 372/1954) were submitted. The Finance Committee had recommended that these estimates be approved for submission to the Commonwealth Government.

The Council resolved:

(i) that the draft estimates be approved for submission to the Government;

(ii) that members of the Council be at liberty to raise detailed questions on the estimates at the next meeting, and

(iii) that the Vice-Chancellor should examine the matter of scholarship emoluments and, if he felt it necessary, amend the estimates by the addition of a sum to enable scholarship emoluments to be increased.
6. ADVISERS ON LEGISLATION:

The minutes of the meeting of the Advisers on Legislation held on 9th June, 1954 (377/1954) were submitted and introduced by Professor Bailey.

In connection with Item 2(b), University House, Appointment of Visitor, it was resolved that no action be taken to appoint a Visitor but that the Advisers' observations and a copy of the document they had considered (320/1954) should be referred to the Governing Body of University House.

In connection with Item 9, Delegations of Authority, it was noted that this matter had been considered by the Finance Committee on 8th July and would arise in due course from the report of that meeting.

With the qualifications mentioned it was resolved that the transactions of the Advisers be noted.

7. ADVISERS ON BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

The minutes of meetings of the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds on 21st June (380/1954) and 8th July (415/1954) were submitted and introduced by Mr. Warren McDonald. Particular consideration was given by the Council to the following matters:

(a) Medical School - Contract Arrangements (Items 2 and 3 of minutes of meeting of 21st June) -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had discussed these matters with the Architects.

(b) Site Consultants (Item 4 of minutes of 21st June and 7 of minutes of 8th July) -

Mr. McDonald having reported that the Advisers were now agreeable to an arrangement for joint consultation between Professor Winston and Mr. Rudduck, the Council agreed to ask the Vice-Chancellor to negotiate further with these gentlemen and to conclude an agreement with them on terms which he considered sufficiently specific. The Vice-Chancellor said he would report to the Council the terms on which the arrangement was made.

During discussion it appeared that, while the Council would envisage consulting Professor Winston and Mr. Rudduck over a period extending beyond the preparation of a site plan, it would not wish to bind itself to do so.

(c) Central Boiler House (Item 5 of minutes of 21st June and 6 of minutes of 8th July) -

The Council adopted the Advisers' suggestion that the University ask Messrs. W.E. Bassett and Associates to associate themselves with Mr. Kuner in the design of a suitable installation; that Mr. Kuner be free to tender for the work; but that the calling of tenders, the advising on acceptance and the entire supervision be left in Bassett's hands.

/(d) Medical School
4.

(d) Medical School – Estimates of Time for Completion –

The Council approved the Advisers' suggestion that the Vice-Chancellor should discuss with the Architects the wisdom of modifying the time schedule for the completion of the building.

With the qualifications mentioned it was resolved that the Advisers' transactions be noted.

8. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES:

(a) Meeting of 21st May, 1954 –

The report of the Board's meeting of 21st May, 1954 (303/1954) was before the Council. It was noted that Items 2, 5 and 8 of the report had been dealt with by the Standing Committee on 11th June (see Item 4 above).

The Council considered the following other items:

Item 1: Courses and Degrees Rules – Deferred.

Item 9: Post-Graduate Travelling Grants –

Some members expressed the view that the scheme of Post-graduate Travel Grants suggested by the Board could be more advantageously applied to junior members of the University's staff, and other members expressed doubt as to whether, in the present state of the University's finances, the scheme was justified at all.

It was resolved to ask the Board of Graduate Studies to reconsider the scheme in the light of the present discussion.

Item 11: Role of Research Fellows –

It was resolved that, when the Finance Committee considered particular salary ranges in connection with the current salary review, it should bear in mind the advantages of a very wide salary range for temporary appointments.

The Vice-Chancellor said that, as the status and salary of Research Fellows are closely linked and involve major questions of University policy, he wished to discuss the matter further with the Board of Graduate Studies.

In other respects the proceedings of the Board were noted.

/(b) Meeting of 25th
(b) Meeting of 25th June -

A report of the Board's meeting of 25th June (385/1954) was submitted and dealt with as follows:

Item 2: Examination Matters - Miss S. Liesching

It was resolved, on the Board's recommendation, that Miss Liesching be admitted to the degree of Master of Arts and that that degree be conferred upon her.

Item 3: Faculty Matters - Dr. G.S. Watson

In accordance with the Board's recommendation it was resolved that Dr. G.S. Watson be appointed Senior Fellow in Statistics.

Item 6: Travelling Fellowships -

See under Item 8(a) above.

Item 9: Academic Dress Statute

It was resolved, in accordance with the Board's recommendation, to make a Statute on Academic Dress in the terms of the draft attached to these minutes (359/1954).

In other respects the proceedings of the Board were noted.

(c) Meeting of 9th July -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Board of Graduate Studies had held a special meeting before the present Council meeting, and had made the following recommendations:

(i) that Dr. J.D. Freeman be appointed Senior Fellow in Anthropology;

(ii) that, on the recommendation of his examiners, Mr. P.M. Worsley be admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy and that that degree be conferred upon him.

It was resolved that these recommendations be adopted.

9. UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

(a) Sale of Liquor Statute

The Council considered a draft of the University House (Sale of Liquor) Statute (fifth draft, July 1954) which had been approved by the Governing Body and by the Advisers on Legislation.

The Registrar said that some further amendment of the draft was now seen to be necessary and the item was accordingly withdrawn.
(b) Report of the Governing Body -

A report of the Governing Body (390/1954) was before the Council, which took the following decisions:

(i) Honorary Fellowships -

It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor and Master to designate a committee of four members including two of the Fellows of University House to examine the proposal for the creation of Honorary Fellowships, to formulate the conditions of these appointments and to suggest names of candidates.

(ii) Visiting Fellowships -

It was resolved that the committee mentioned above should also examine the Governing Body's proposals for Visiting Fellowships.

(iii) Room Rent -

It was resolved to reduce the rent of two-room flats temporarily from £9 to £3.8.0 for members of the University.

10. CONVOCATION STATUTE:

A document (388/1954) embodying the comments of the Board of Graduate Studies on this matter was before the Council.

The Council resolved that in its opinion:

(a) Research Fellows should become members of Convocation only after three years' service in the University;

(b) that the Statute should contain a provision (in the second of the alternative forms suggested in document 383/1954) to enable the holders of senior administrative offices to be made members of Convocation;

(c) that the senior officers of other Universities and of the C.S.I.R.O. should be made ex officio members of Convocation, as under the present Statute.

It was resolved that the matter be referred to the Board of Graduate Studies for further consideration in the light of the present discussion.

11. OLD CANBERRA HOUSE: FUTURE USE:

The Council considered a memorandum from the Vice-Chancellor (414/1954) setting out the enquiries which had been received in response to the announcement that the University will be willing to consider granting a short lease of Old Canberra House.
Canberra House. The Vice-Chancellor also read a letter of 7th July, 1954, from Mr. H.L. White concerning the use of the premises as a nucleus for an eventual National Art Gallery.

After discussion it was resolved to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to negotiate a lease to the Commonwealth Club for a period of five years. The Vice-Chancellor said he would ensure that the grounds of the House would continue to be available to the University for social and ceremonial purposes.

12. PROPOSED INCORPORATION OF COMMONWEALTH OBSERVATORY:

The Vice-Chancellor read a letter of 7th July, 1954, from the Secretary of the Department of the Interior in which it was indicated that the proposal had been considered by the Minister for the Interior, who decided that he could not agree to its adoption.

13. STAFF MATTERS:

(a) Resignation of Dr. S.T. Butler -

The Council noted the Vice-Chancellor's report that Dr. S.T. Butler, Senior Research Fellow in the Department of Theoretical Physics, had (for personal reasons) resigned his appointment as from 30th June, 1954.

(b) Lord Lindsay - Leave -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Lord and Lady Lindsay had been invited to act as interpreters to a British Labour Party delegation which would shortly visit China. Lord Lindsay had asked the Vice-Chancellor whether he might have approximately two months' leave to enable him to accept this invitation, and the Vice-Chancellor had granted leave. No financial burden would fall on the University.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's action be noted with approval.

14. CO-OPTION: PROFESSOR TRENDALL:

It was resolved that the next meeting of the Council should be preceded by a meeting summoned to consider the co-option of Professor Trendall as a member of the Council.

15. AFFIXATIONS OF THE SEAL:

A list of the documents to which the Seal had been affixed since the last meeting of the Standing Committee (403/1954) was submitted and noted.

15th July, 1954.
1. The academic dress of the Chancellor shall be a robe of black damask figured silk trimmed with gold lace and a black velvet square cap trimmed with gold lace, similar in each case to that ordained to be worn by the Chancellor of the University of London.

2. The academic dress of the Vice-Chancellor shall be a robe of black damask silk trimmed with gold lace and a black velvet square cap trimmed with gold lace, similar in each case to that ordained to be worn by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of London.

3. The academic dress of graduates of the University shall be as follows:

   (1) for Masters -

   (a) a gown of black cloth, of the same shape as that ordained to be worn by Masters of Arts of the University of Oxford;

   (b) a hood of black cloth, of the same shape as that ordained to be worn by graduates of the University of London, lined with blue corded silk;

   (c) a square cap of black cloth; provided that a woman shall be at liberty to wear a soft black cloth cap of the shape worn for this purpose by women graduates of the University of Oxford.

   / (2) for Doctors
(2) for Doctors of Philosophy -

(a) a gown of black cloth, of the same shape as that ordained to be worn by Masters of Arts of the University of Oxford and faced with blue corded silk;

(b) a hood of blue corded silk, of the same shape as that ordained to be worn by Doctors of the University of Cambridge, lined with the same blue silk; and

(c) a round black velvet cap with a blue cord and tassel.

(3) for Doctors other than Doctors of Philosophy -

(a) a gown of scarlet cloth, of the same shape as that ordained to be worn by Doctors of the University of Oxford, faced with blue corded silk;

(b) a hood of scarlet cloth, of the same shape as that ordained to be worn by Doctors of the University of Cambridge, lined with blue corded silk; and

(c) a round black velvet cap with a blue cord and tassel.

4. For the purposes of this Statute "ordained to be worn" means ordained to be worn as at the date of the commencement of this Statute.

5. The Vice-Chancellor may define the colours or ranges of colours which are approved for the purpose of this Statute.

18th June, 1954.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

COUNCIL

The 19th meeting of the Council was held at the University on Friday, 10th September, 1954, at 10.45 a.m.

Present: Dr. Coombs (in the Chair),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor Bailey,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Professor Burton,
Dr. Cameron,
Professor Davidson,
Professor Eccles,
Mr. Gani,
Senator McCallum,
Mr. Morton,
Professor Oliphant,
Professor Partridge,
Sir David Rivett,
Senator Tangney,
Professor Trendall,
Professor Wood,
Professor Wright.

The Registrar, Mr. Maurice Brown (Assistant Registrar) and the Graduate Assistant were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Sir Frank Richardson, General Windeyer and Dr. Roland Wilson.

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 9th July, 1954, copies of which had been circulated (423/1954), were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL:

(a) Welcome to new member -

It was reported that at a special meeting of the Council convened for the purpose, Professor A.D. Trendall had been co-opted as a member of the Council until 30th June, 1958. The Deputy Chairman welcomed Professor Trendall as a member of the Council.

(b) Leave of Absence -

It was resolved to grant Mr. W.D. Borrie leave of absence for the period of his study leave abroad.

3. STANDING COMMITTEE:

The minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee held on 13th August (508/1954) were submitted.

/In connection with
In connection with Item 2(b)(i), Academic Salaries, it was reported that the Finance Committee, which had met the previous evening, had resolved to recommend that a decision be deferred until it was known whether the Government would make the University a supplementary grant to cover the proposed increases in academic salaries. A letter from the Staff Association (550/1954) dealing with this matter was then tabled.

It was resolved to defer a decision on the proposed increases in academic salaries and to inform the Staff Association that the Council hoped to reach a decision at its next meeting.

At the suggestion of Professor Oliphant it was resolved to ask the Board of Graduate Studies to consider the development of both a short-term and a long-term public relations policy in the University and that the question be further considered at the next meeting of the Council.

4. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

(a) Meeting of 13th August, 1954 -

The minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 13th August, 1954 (500/1954) were submitted. It was noted that Item 5, Review of Salaries and Scholarship Allowances, and Item 6, Audit, of the minutes of this meeting had been considered by the Standing Committee on 13th August, 1954. The remaining recommendations were adopted.

(b) Meeting of 9th September, 1954 -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that with the exception of academic salaries (which had been considered earlier in the meeting - see Item 3 above) there were no urgent matters. The Vice-Chancellor said he was awaiting further information concerning scholars' allowances and that he expected to present his recommendations to the next meeting of the Finance Committee.

It was resolved to refer the minutes to the Standing Committee for consideration.

5. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES:

The report of the meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies held on 30th July, 1954 (467/1954), was submitted. It was noted that this report was considered by the Standing Committee on 13th August, 1954, and in particular that the Standing Committee had adopted the following recommendations concerning appointments:

- Renewal of Fellowship - Dr. D.J. Brown
- Readership in Economic History - Mr. N.G. Butlin
- Fellowship in Demography - Dr. C.A. Price.
6. ADVISERS ON LEGISLATION:

The minutes of the meeting of the Advisers on Legislation held on 6th September, 1954 (539/1954) were submitted. It was resolved, on the Advisers' recommendation, to make the following statutes in the form attached to these minutes:

- University House (Sale of Liquor) Statute (535/1954);
- Convocation Statute;
- Convocation Amendment Statute No. 3 (534/1954).

7. ADVISERS ON BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

(Professor Ennor and Mr. Mackay of Mussen, Mackay and Potter were present by invitation during the consideration of this item.)

The minutes of the meeting of the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds held on 9th September, 1954 (552/1954) were submitted. In addition the Council had before it the following documents:

- Note by the Vice-Chancellor - Medical School Buildings - Tendering (536/1954),
- John Curtin School of Medical Research Building Contract (533/1954),

The Registrar also tendered notes of Sir Frank Richardson's comments and a cable message from Mr. Warren McDonald.

Item 3 - Medical School - Building Contract No. 2 -

The Council discussed the Advisers' recommendation that, subject to certain conditions, Mr. K. Schreiner's tender for the building of the laboratories of the John Curtin School of Medical Research be accepted.

During the discussion the following matters were mentioned: - Mr. Schreiner's health; the position that would arise if it was found for health reasons Mr. Schreiner was not able to complete the contract; the part played by Mrs. Schreiner in the control of the business; Mr. Schreiner's financial position; the availability of working capital; his capacity as a builder; the extent of his building operations; the price difference between the tenders; the conditions contained in the other tenders; the extent of the sub-contracts.

In reply to a question Mr. Mackay said that as far as could be seen Mr. Schreiner's tender allowed for a fair margin of profit and that if the contract were let to Mr. Schreiner he did not expect any difficulties in approving progress payments promptly and frequently.

(Mr. Mackay and Professor Ennor then withdrew from the meeting.)
It was resolved that, subject to the Vice-Chancellor being satisfied as to Mr. Schreiner's health as the result of a further independent medical examination, and to Mr. Schreiner agreeing not to accept, without the University's permission, any other major contract during the first twelve months of the John Curtin School of Medical Research Building Contract No. 2, Mr. Schreiner's tender be accepted.

It was further resolved that the Vice-Chancellor should endeavour to secure an undertaking from Mrs. Schreiner that, in the event of incapacity on the part of her husband to complete the contract, Mrs. Schreiner would agree to complete the contract on the original conditions.

It was further resolved that the Vice-Chancellor, with such consultation with the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds or the Standing Committee as he felt necessary, should be empowered to take any necessary action to implement these decisions, and to settle the form of contract to be used in general accordance with the precis now before the Council.

The remaining recommendations contained in the minutes were adopted.

The Council considered a memorandum by the Vice-Chancellor dealing with the Medical School Buildings - Estimates (537/1954). It was resolved to adopt the recommendations contained therein.

8. DEANSHIPS:

A memorandum by the Vice-Chancellor on the appointment of Acting Deans (540/1954) was submitted. The Council adopted the Vice-Chancellor's recommendations as follows:

(a) that Professors Sawer and Nadel's appointments as Deans of the Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies respectively be extended until the end of 1955;

(b) that during the forthcoming absence of the Deans on study leave, Professor Partridge be asked to act for Professor Sawer and Professor Spate be asked to act for Professor Nadel;

(c) that the Acting Deans be paid an entertainment allowance of £200 per annum and the Dean's allowances be reduced by a similar amount.

9. PRINCIPAL DATES:

It was resolved to approve the dates suggested for Council and committee meetings as set out in the draft submitted (515/1954).

10. SURVEY OF SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME:

The Council received a letter from the Students' Association concerning a survey of the scholarship scheme (514/1954) and referred it to the Board of Graduate Studies for consideration.
11. **DRAFT ESTIMATES 1954-55**:

The draft Running Costs and Capital Estimates for 1954-55 (237-246/1954 and 372/1954) were submitted in accordance with the resolution of the last meeting (9th July, 1954, Item 5(b)(ii)).

12. **SULMAN AWARD**:

It was reported that University House had been awarded the Sir John Sulman Medal and Diploma for Architecture by the New South Wales Chapter of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects. It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor convey the Council's congratulations to the Architect (Professor Brian Lewis).

13. **AFFIXATIONS OF THE SEAL**:

A list of documents to which the Seal had been affixed since the last meeting of the Standing Committee (547/1954) was submitted and noted.

14. **GENERAL STAFF ASSOCIATION**:

A letter from the General Staff Association seeking increases in salaries for the non-academic staff (516/1954) was received and referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.

15. **SCHEME FOR ASSISTING MEMBERS OF STAFF TO OWN DWELLINGS**: Referred to the Standing Committee for consideration.

16. **RESIGNATION: DR. F.J. WEST**:

Noted.

17. **CAPITAL WORKS: FIXED PRICE CONTRACTS**:

A letter from the Secretary to the Treasury concerning the Government's policy on fixed price contracts for Capital Works (531/1954) was received and noted.

The meeting closed at 4.5 p.m.

15th September, 1954.
1. In this Statute "liquor" means wine, spirits, ale, beer, porter, cider, perry and any liquid containing alcohol ordinarily used or fit for use as a beverage.

2. Subject to section 4, liquor shall not be sold or purchased in University House unless the sale is made to, or the purchase is made by, a member or resident of University House.

3. The Governing Body of University House may make Orders regulating the sale and purchase of liquor in University House and those Orders may make provision for or in relation to the persons by whom, the hours within which, the prices at which and the conditions under which liquor may be sold.

4. The Governing Body of University House may, for the purposes of a function to be held in University House, direct, by instrument in writing -

   (a) that, during a period specified in the instrument, section two of this Statute shall not apply in relation to the sale of liquor in University House by a person specified in the instrument or the purchase of liquor in University House by a person included in a class of persons specified in the instrument; and

   (b) that, during that period, the operation of an Order made under the last preceding section shall be suspended or varied in a manner specified in the instrument.

5. A person who
5. A person who sells or purchases liquor in University House otherwise than in accordance with this Statute or an Order or an instrument in writing made under this Statute by the Governing Body of University House shall be deemed to have sold or purchased liquor in University House contrary to a provision of this Statute.

8th September, 1954.
Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the Convocation Statute are repealed and the following sections inserted in their stead:—

"1. In addition to the persons on whom membership is conferred by the Act, the following persons shall be members of Convocation:—

(a) persons who were members of Convocation immediately before the commencement of this section;
(b) the Directors, Professors, Readers, Research Associates, Senior Fellows, Fellows, Senior Research Fellows and Research Fellows;
(c) the Master and Fellows of University House;
(d) the Registrar, the Librarian and the Accountant;
(e) the occupants of such other offices as the Council from time to time declares to be senior offices for the purpose of this Statute;
(f) the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor or equivalent officers of each of the other Universities in Australia, the Chairman of the Council and the Principal of the Canberra University College and the Warden of the Newcastle University College; and
(g) the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization.

† Statute No. 3, as amended by Statutes Nos. 10 and 15.
2. The Council may, by the vote of an absolute majority, admit as additional members of Convocation persons who, in the opinion of the Council, are specially qualified to advance the interests of the University.

3.- (1) Subject to the next succeeding sub-section, a person who is or becomes a member of Convocation shall remain a member notwithstanding that he ceases to hold the qualification by virtue of which he became a member.

(2) A Senior Research Fellow or a Research Fellow shall cease to be a member of Convocation if he leaves the service of the University before completing a period of three years' service.

4. The Council may from time to time make Rules with respect to the functions, meetings and officers of Convocation.

8 September 1954.
The 20th Meeting of the Council was held at the University on Friday, 12th November, 1954, at 10 a.m.

Present: Dr. Coombs (in the Chair),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor Bailey,
Professor Burton,
Dr. Cameron,
Mr. Dawes,
Professor Davidson,
Professor Eccles,
Mr. Gani,
Mr. Goodes,
Senator McCallum,
Mr. Morton,
Professor Oliphant,
Professor Partridge,
Sir Frank Richardson,
Sir David Rivett,
Professor Sawyer,
Senator Tangney,
Professor Trendall,
Professor Wood,
Professor Wright.

The Registrar, Mr. Hodgkin (Assistant Registrar) and the Graduate Assistant were in attendance.

An apology for absence was received from General Windeyer.

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 10th September, 1954 (561/1954), copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL:

It was resolved to grant Professor Oliphant leave of absence from meetings of the Council during the period he will be abroad in 1955.

3. STANDING COMMITTEE:

The minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee (603/1954) held on 8th October, 1954, were submitted and it was resolved that the Committee's transactions be noted.

4. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

(a) Meeting of 8th October -

The minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 8th October, 1954 (623/1954), were submitted. It was resolved to receive the minutes and adopt the recommendations, apart from those recommendations considered separately in these minutes.
(b) Meeting of 11th November

An extract from the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting (69/1954) held on 11th November was considered, and dealt with as follows:

**Item 6(a) - Review of Academic Salaries**

It was resolved:

(i) to approve the revised salary scales previously examined for academic staff and other senior officers;

(ii) that the new rates be paid in any case from 1st January, 1955;

(iii) that the extent of retrospective application be determined in the light of a subsequent review of finances.

**Item 8 - Scholarship Allowances**

After discussion in which particular mention was made of the circumstances of the married scholars with children, the Council, as an interim measure pending receipt of a report on the survey of the scholarship scheme at present in progress, resolved as follows:

(i) that the basic allowances for all scholars be increased by £50 per annum as from 1st January, 1955, and that the extent of retrospective application be determined in the light of a subsequent review of finances; except that, in the case of married scholars with children, the increase be paid forthwith as from 1st July, 1954;

(ii) that the discretionary allowance paid to a married scholar with a wife and one child be increased from £150 per annum to £200 per annum, with effect from 1st July, 1954;

(iii) that as soon as it is in a position to do so, the University should accept responsibility for finding homes for scholars with children;

(iv) that the unfurnished rent of a University dwelling for a married scholar with one or more children be limited to 15 per cent. of the allowance paid to such scholars, and to 22½ per cent. for a furnished dwelling;

/(v) that paragraphs
(v) that paragraphs (iii) and (iv) above relate only to those who were married when the scholarships were awarded and who were not resident in Canberra at that time.

The Vice-Chancellor was asked to bring to the notice of the Finance Committee the circumstances of any married scholar with dependent children for whom the University was not able to provide housing.

**Item 10 - Proceeds of Superannuation Policies - late Dr. R.S. Wilson -**

The Council resolved to exercise its discretion under Section 17(B) of the Superannuation Statute and direct that on receipt of the proceeds, the net sum be paid to the widow, Joan Anne Wilson.

5. **BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES :**

(a) **Meeting of 17th September -**

A report of the meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies held on 17th September (571/1954) was before the Council. It was noted that this report had been considered by the Standing Committee on 8th October.

(b) **Meeting of 29th October -**

A report of the meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies held on 29th October (664/1954) was submitted and the following action taken :-

**Item 1 - Award of Scholarships for 1955-56 -**

It was resolved to award scholarships to the following candidates :-

- R.W. Staveley (subject to a satisfactory report on his M.A. work at the University of Chicago) - Political Science

- W. Svoboda - Anthropology

- J.S. Boston (subject to obtaining B.Litt. at Oxford, February, 1955, and confirmation of previously received recommendation) - Anthropology

- K.L.O. Gillion - Pacific History

/G.W. Barrett
It was resolved to appoint Mr. B.S. Benjamin Research Fellow in the Department of Social Philosophy for one year at a basic salary of £890 per annum.

The Council considered the Board's recommendation that a sum of £100 be made available towards meeting part of the travelling expenses and the cost of two nights' accommodation at University House for those graduands who will graduate at the ceremony on 11th March, 1955. The Council agreed in principle that small grants-in-aid might be made for such a purpose, and asked the Vice-Chancellor to suggest rules to the Finance Committee for the administration of such a scheme.

The Council granted leave to the Board to proceed to an election to the Chair of Political Science in the Research School of Social Sciences.

The Council received the report of the Working Party consisting of members of the Canberra University College and this University dealing with the incorporation of the Australian National University and the Canberra University College (621A/1954). It was resolved to consider the report at the next meeting of the Council.
Item 8 - Research School of Physical Sciences - Scholarships -

It was resolved to award scholarships to the following candidates:

- T.R. Ophel - Nuclear Physics
- K. Lokan - Nuclear Physics
- A.F. Reid - Radiochemistry.

It was resolved to make J.V. Denholm (Astronomy) a grant-in-aid for twelve months at the current rate of the scholarship allowance subject to his satisfactorily completing his Bachelor of Science degree.

The Council noted that A.F. Nicholson (Theoretical Physics) had been awarded a scholarship and would be required to undertake a course of study in the United Kingdom.

Item 9 - John Curtin School of Medical Research - Scholarships -

It was resolved to award scholarships to the following candidates:

- Mr. B.M. Comben - Microbiology
- Dr. D.O. White - Microbiology
- Dr. A.W. Liley - Physiology
- Mr. D.E. Griffiths - Biochemistry.

Item 10 - Examination Matters -

- Mr. A.W. Martin (History) -

It was resolved to appoint Dr. G.S.R. Kitson Clark, Trinity College, Cambridge, and Professor J.A. La Nauze, Department of Economic History, University of Melbourne, examiners for Mr. Martin's Ph.D. examination; that Professor F.L.W. Wood, Department of History, Victoria University College, be invited to act as the third examiner, if required; that, in consultation with the Dean, Professor Davidson or Mr. Fitzhardinge be appointed assessor for Dr. Clark at the oral examination.

The remaining recommendations in the report were adopted.

6. ADVISERS ON BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

(a) Meeting of 20th October -

The minutes of the meeting of the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds held on 20th October, 1954 (643/1954) were submitted and it was resolved that the minutes be received and the recommendations adopted.

(b) Meeting with
Meeting with Board of Graduate Studies' Site Development Committee of 7th October

The minutes of a joint meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies' Site Development Committee and the Council's Advisers on Buildings and Grounds held on 7th October (594/1954) were considered. In connection with Item 2, Use of the Racecourse, the Council resolved as follows:

(i) that the development of a permanent racecourse between the University site, the Molonglo River and Black Mountain would, by reason of noise, traffic congestion and crowding, as well as its appearance, be a serious menace to the proper development of the University's work and precincts. The Council believes that the interests of the Canberra Community Hospital and the Botanical Gardens would be similarly prejudiced; that the area concerned is unsuitable and inadequate for the proper provision of racing and associated facilities; and that another site, adequate for such purposes, is available;

(ii) that the Council therefore asks the Deputy Chairman and the Vice-Chancellor earnestly to urge the Prime Minister and the Government to take no step to increase the scale or permanence of racecourse development adjacent to the University site.

Appointment of University Staff Architect

At the request of the Vice-Chancellor the Advisers on Buildings and Grounds considered the applications received for the position of University Staff Architect. The Advisers' report (693/1954) was submitted to the Council. The Council considered the report in some detail and resolved that the Advisers be informed of the Council's views on this appointment and be requested to take such further steps, possibly including reconsideration of the salary and re-advertising, as were necessary to enable them to make a firm recommendation for an appointment.

7. COMMITTEES AND GROUPS OF ADVISERS:

It was resolved that the following Committees be appointed:

(a) Standing Committee

The Vice-Chancellor (Chairman),
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Dr. Coombs,
Professor Eccles,
Professor Partridge,
Dr. Roland Wilson,
Professor Wright.

(b) Finance
(b) Finance Committee -

Dr. Coombs (Chairman),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor Bailey,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Dr. Cameron,
Mr. Goodes,
Professor Partridge,
Sir Frank Richardson,
Senator Tangney,
Professor Wright.

(c) Advisers on Buildings and Grounds -

Mr. Warren McDonald (Chairman),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. Beresford-Smith,
Mr. Moir,
Mr. Pryor,
Mr. Purchase.

(d) Advisers on Legislation -

Professor Bailey (Chairman),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Sir Robert Garran,
Mr. E.J. Hook,
Dr. S.J. Stoljar,
Mr. Whitlam,
Dr. Roland Wilson.

It was decided to disband the Advisers on Status and Promotions and the Advisers on Scholars' Emoluments.

8. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH : PROPOSED VISITS :

The Council considered a letter from the Dean of the John Curtin School of Medical Research (652/1954) concerning a proposed visit by Sir Howard Florey and a proposal that other distinguished scientists might be invited to work in the School.

It was resolved:-

(a) to invite Sir Howard and Lady Florey to visit the University for a period of eighteen months from March, 1957;

(b) to invite Sir Howard Florey to act as Director for this period;

(c) to invite Sir Howard Florey to submit a scheme for inviting other distinguished scientists to work in the University during the period of his visit.

9. UNIVERSITY HOUSE : HONORARY FELLOWSHIPS :

The Council considered a report of a committee set up to consider honorary Fellowships of University House (667/1954). The Council resolved that honorary Fellowships of University House should normally be conferred only upon persons who had previously been associated with the House and who had achieved outstanding distinction. The Council had /previously agreed
previously agreed to the election of Sir Robert Garran and Sir Frederic Eggleston and it was resolved that no further elections should be made at the present time.

10. STUDY LEAVE : PROFESSOR TITTERTON:

The Council received a report by Professor Titterton on his visit to the United Kingdom and Holland (653/1954) and resolved to thank Professor Titterton for his work on behalf of the University while abroad.

11. OUTSIDE WORK : DR. G.S. WATSON:

Deferred.

12. SPORTS UNION:

A letter from the President of the Sports Union (656/1954) outlining long term and immediate proposals for providing sporting facilities was considered. It was resolved to authorize the leasing from the Department of the Interior of the Liversidge Street tennis court at an annual cost of £5 and to authorize the expenditure of £100 on the maintenance of the tennis courts. The question of providing funds for the construction of a squash court was deferred pending receipt of further information as to what contribution the Sports Union is able to make towards the cost of the building.

13. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR STAFF TO BUY OR BUILD HOUSES:

The Council had before it the Solicitor-General's opinion (660/1954) concerning the University's power to make loans or to guarantee advances by banks to members of the University staff for building purposes, and also the proposed basis of a scheme to enable staff members to buy or build a house (620/1954). The proposed scheme was approved and it was resolved to refer the outline to the Advisers on Legislation for drafting.

14. RESIGNATIONS:

(a) Professor W.R. Crocker -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Crocker had sought leave to resign the Chair of International Relations. The Council resolved to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to accept Professor Crocker's resignation.

(b) Mr. Maurice Brown -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. Maurice Brown, an Assistant Registrar, had resigned from the University following his appointment as Registrar of the University of Malaya. It was resolved to accept Mr. Brown's resignation with regret and to congratulate him on his new appointment.

15. ARRANGEMENTS DURING REGISTRAR'S ABSENCE:

It was resolved that Mr. Hodgkin be appointed Acting Registrar from 15th January, 1955, during the Registrar's absence abroad in 1955, and that the Vice-Chancellor be authorized to make such other arrangements as are necessary, reporting details to the Finance Committee.
16. **AFFIXATIONS OF THE SEAL:**

A list of documents to which the Seal had been affixed since the last meeting of the Standing Committee (684/1954) was submitted and noted.

17. **REPORT OF GOVERNING BODY OF UNIVERSITY HOUSE:**


18. **UNIVERSITY OF NEW ENGLAND: INSTALLATION OF FIRST CHANCELLOR:**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the installation of the First Chancellor of the University of New England would be held on 4th August, 1955.

19. **COURSES AND DEGREES RULES:**

The fifth draft of the Courses and Degrees Rules (685/1954) was submitted. It was resolved to make the Rules in the form attached to these Minutes.

23rd November, 1954.
Explanatory Note

The following revision of the Enrolment, Courses of Research and Degrees Rules is designed to bring the Rules up to date and to include some new provisions in them, having regard to the University's growing experience of the matters concerned. In particular opportunity is taken to define more precisely the term "enrolment" (this being necessary for the purposes of elections of members of the Council by the students), and the requirements concerning examinations are set out in greater detail than in the existing Rules.

ENROLMENT, COURSES OF RESEARCH AND DEGREES RULES

Amending Rule No. 1 - Revision of Rules

Delete the whole of the Rules, and substitute the following Rules:

COURSES AND DEGREES RULES

Part I - General

1. In these Rules "the Board" means the Board of Graduate Studies.

2. In these Rules "course" means course of post-graduate study and research.

Part II - Admission

3. A person wishing to become a research student shall make application to the Registrar in such form as the Board prescribes, and shall submit with his application an outline of the course he proposes to pursue.

4. The Board may admit as a research student any person who -

   (1) holds a degree of another University, which degree and University are approved for this purpose by the Board; provided that the Board may in special cases and subject to such conditions as it thinks fit admit a person who does not hold such a qualification; and

   (2) has been accepted by the Faculty Board, Director or Dean of one of the Research Schools.

5. The Board shall, when it admits a research student, specify the Department or Departments in which he shall work and the date at which his course shall be deemed to begin or have begun.
6. The Faculty Board, Director or Dean of the appropriate Research School shall appoint a supervisor of each research student admitted by the Board as a candidate for a degree, and shall report each such appointment to the Board.

7. The Faculty Board, Director or Dean of the appropriate Research School shall before the expiration of three terms from the date on which a research student is admitted by the Board report to the Board the research topic approved by the Faculty Board, Director or Dean for that research student and the degree for which the Faculty Board, Director or Dean has permitted him to become a candidate.

8. The Board may at any time after recommendation from the Faculty Board, Director or Dean of the appropriate Research School, and subject to such conditions as it thinks fit, allow a research student for one degree to become a research student for another degree instead.

Part III - Enrolment

9. The Registrar shall keep a roll of students. A person who has been admitted as a research student and who satisfies the Registrar that he has paid the prescribed fees, if liable, and has begun his approved course may sign the roll, and shall by virtue of so signing become an enrolled student of the University.

Part IV - Fees

10. Students shall pay such fees as are from time to time prescribed by order of the Council, and payment shall be made in the manner so prescribed.

Part V - Courses

11. Each research student shall pursue his course to the satisfaction of the Board. If a supervisor is of opinion that a research student has failed to conduct his research satisfactorily he shall report to the Board accordingly and the Board may, after recommendation from the Faculty Board, Director or Dean of the appropriate Research School, resolve that that research student shall cease to be a research student of the University.

12. Each research student shall satisfy such residential requirements as the Board shall prescribe.

13. Each research student shall, subject to the requirements of this part, attend at the University for forty weeks, including the periods of University terms, during each year, and may be required by his supervisor to attend for a further six weeks in each year.

14. (1) Subject to sub-rules (2), (3) and (4) of this rule, a candidate for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy shall pursue his approved course within the University for such period, not being less than nine or more than twelve consecutive terms, as the Board prescribes.

(2) The Board may permit a candidate to pursue at another institution such part of his approved course as it thinks fit; provided that a candidate whose approved course is twelve terms shall keep five terms and that a candidate whose approved course is less than twelve terms shall keep four terms in the University.
(3) The Board may in special cases and after recommendation from the Faculty Board, Director or Dean of the appropriate Research School provide that a candidate's approved course shall extend over a period of less than nine, but not less than six terms.

(4) Any part of a candidate's approved course undertaken with the approval of the Faculty Board, Director or Dean in the field shall be deemed to have been undertaken within the University.

15. (1) Subject to sub-rules (2) and (3) of this rule a candidate for the degree of Master of Arts or Master of Science shall pursue his approved course within the University for such period, not being less than six or more than nine consecutive terms, as the Board prescribes.

(2) The Board may permit a candidate to pursue at another institution such part of his approved course as it thinks fit; provided that the candidate shall keep four terms in the University.

(3) Any part of a candidate's approved course undertaken, with the approval of the Faculty Board, Director or Dean, in the field, shall be deemed to have been undertaken within the University.

16. (1) Except as provided in sub-rule (2) of this rule and in Part VI, rule 29 a candidate shall spend his full time in the pursuit of his approved course.

(2) The Board may admit as a candidate for the degree of Master of Arts or Master of Science a person engaged in employment other than the full-time pursuit of his course, if in the Board's opinion that employment is of a nature likely to assist the candidate in the pursuit of his course of study and research. The Board shall not prescribe for the approved course of such a candidate a period of less than nine or more than fifteen terms.

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (2) of this rule, the Board may antedate the commencement of the course of any person employed by the University who is admitted as a candidate for a degree under that sub-rule if that person has before the making of this rule done work within the University which the Board considers proper to be considered as part of his approved course of study and research.

17. The Board may, after recommendation from the Faculty Board, Director or Dean, grant a research student special leave during his course on the ground of illness or other serious cause.

18. The Board may, after recommendation from the Faculty Board, Director or Dean of the appropriate Research School, suspend a research student's course for such time as it thinks fit. The Board shall determine whether the period of such suspension shall be reckoned part of the student's approved course.
Part VI - Examinations and Degrees

19. The examination of candidates for degrees shall be conducted as follows:

(a) The candidate shall not less than three months before the time at which he wishes to be examined give notice to the Registrar in such form as the Board requires. The Faculty Board, Director or Dean may dispense with this requirement in special cases.

(b) The Board shall after recommendation from the Faculty Board, Director or Dean of the appropriate Research School appoint not fewer than two examiners, one of whom shall be an external examiner. The Board may at any stage of the examination similarly appoint an additional examiner and shall do so in the event of disagreement between two original examiners. Each examiner shall submit an independent report on the examination, and shall recommend that the candidate be admitted, or be not admitted, to the degree.

(c) If an examiner is unable to attend the oral examination required by paragraph (d) of this rule the Board may appoint an assessor who is able to attend. In such a case the internal examiner and the assessor shall report to the Board on the oral examination: provided that in any case of disagreement between the assessor and the external examiner the assessor shall consult the external examiner before furnishing his report.

(d) The candidate shall during the last term of his approved course or within one year after the end of that term (or, with the permission of the Board, within such period not exceeding three years after the end of that time as the Board determines) present to the Registrar three copies of a written thesis in such form as the Board prescribes, embodying the results of his approved research, and shall be examined orally on the substance of his thesis and his knowledge of his subject, unless the Board on the recommendation of the examiners exempts the candidate from oral examination.

(e) If the Board is of opinion that the candidate is fit to be admitted to the degree it shall recommend to the Council that he be admitted and on his fulfilling the prescribed conditions he shall be so admitted.

(f) The Board may, on the recommendation of the examiners, decide that the candidate be not admitted to the degree, but be at liberty to resubmit the thesis and be re-examined within such period, not exceeding twelve months, as the Board decides.

20. The Board may admit as a candidate for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy any person who has held an appointment as a Research Fellow in the University for a period of not less than two years.

21. The Faculty Board, Director or Dean of any Research School may make such additional regulations not inconsistent with these rules concerning the examination of candidates in that School as it thinks fit, and compliance with such regulations shall for a candidate in that School be a condition of taking an examination.

/22. Any person
22. Any person who—

(1) holds a degree of this University; or

(2) (a) holds a degree of another University, which degree and University are approved for this purpose by the Board; and

(b) is certified by the Board to have or have had a substantial connection with this University,

may at the discretion of the Board be admitted as a candidate for the degree of Doctor of Letters or Doctor of Science or Doctor of Laws.

23. (1) A candidate for the degree of Doctor of Letters or Doctor of Laws or Doctor of Science shall submit his published works in such manner as the Board prescribes. The Board shall appoint not fewer than two examiners, one of whom shall be an external examiner. The Board may at any stage of the examination appoint an additional examiner. Each examiner shall submit an independent report on the examination.

(2) Each examiner shall recommend to the Board that the candidate be admitted, or be not admitted, to the degree.

(3) If the Board is of opinion that the candidate has made an original and substantial contribution to knowledge and scholarship, it shall recommend to the Council that he be admitted to the degree and on his fulfilling the prescribed conditions he shall be so admitted.

24. A candidate for any degree shall not submit for examination work in respect of which a degree has been awarded in any University.

25. Each candidate for a degree shall before the degree is conferred deposit in the Library a copy of every thesis or published work successfully submitted for examination for a degree.

26. (1) A person who is recommended by the Board to the Council on the ground of his distinguished eminence in learning may be admitted honoris causa to such of the degrees of Doctor of Letters, Doctor of Science or Doctor of Laws as the Board decides.

(2) A person who is recommended by the Board to the Council on the ground of his distinguished eminence in public service may be admitted honoris causa to the degree of Doctor of Laws.

27. A person who holds a permanent academic appointment in the University and who is recommended by the Board to the Council may be admitted to the degree either of Master of Arts or of Master of Science as the Board decides.