1.1 PRESENT:  
Prof Vicki Waye  
(Chairperson)  
Prof Simon Beecham  
Prof Pat Buckley  
Dr Laura-Anne Bull  
Mr Ryan Colsey  
Prof Joanne Cys  
Prof Shane Dawson  
Dr Helena De Anstiss  
Prof Allan Evans  
Dr Ruth Fazakerley  
Prof Carol Grech  
Dr Alex Hariz  
Mr Brendan Hughes  
Assoc Prof Ivan Kempson  
Assoc Prof Sharron King  
Assoc Prof Jane Lawrence  
Dr Sarah List  
Prof David Lloyd  
Prof Tanya Monro  
Mr Jordan Mumford  
Dr Sev Nagalingam  
Ms Adrienne Nieuwenhuis  
Assoc Prof Nayana Parange  
Assoc Prof Barbara Parker  
Ms Leanne Steele  
Mr Allan Tabor  
Prof Robert Vink  
Mr Rhys Williams  
Prof Marie Wilson  
Mr Peter Cardwell  
(Executive Officer)  

ALTERNATES:  
Prof Stephen Boyle  
(for Prof Marie Wilson)  

APOLOGIES:  
Ms Grace Dixon  
Dr Sally Lewis  
Assoc Prof John Medlin  
Prof Julie Mills  
Mr Natansh Modi  
Mr Nigel Relph  
Dr Saras Sastrowardoyo  
Assoc Prof Angela Scarino  
Mr Paul Sherlock  
Dr Ross Smith  
Ms Pamela Spek  
Dr Chris Della Vedova  
Prof Irene Watson  

OBSERVERS:  
Ms Sian Aston  
Mr Alan Brideson  
Mr Michael Crisp  
Mr Richard Irons  
Ms Tania Kanellos  
Ms Susan Lamont  
Ms Vanessa Matthews  
Assoc Prof Rameez Rameezdeen  
Prof George Siemens  

1.2 TABLED PAPERS  

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There was one tabled paper:  
2.1 Academic Promotion to Lecturer Level B and C 2017 (Agenda Item 8.1)
1.3 STARRING OF AGENDA ITEMS

Agenda Items 1, 3, 4, 5, 6.1 and 8.1 were starred for discussion.

1.4 APPROVAL OF UNSTARRED ITEMS

2018/8/152 Academic Board resolved:
that all unstarred items be received or approved without discussion.

Moved: Prof Marie Wilson Seconded: Prof Pat Buckley

CARRIED

1.5 NOTICE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

It was noted that no members had given notice of a potential conflict of interest in relation to any items of business on the agenda for consideration at the meeting.

1.6 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

2018/8/153 Academic Board resolved:
to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 26 October 2018 as a correct record.

Moved: Mr Allan Tabor Seconded: Ms Adrienne Nieuwenhuis

CARRIED

ITEM 2 – BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

ITEM 3 – CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT

The Chairperson, Prof Vicki Waye, reported that since the last meeting of Academic Board, a Working Group to formulate an UniSA Academic Freedom Statement comprised of Mr Jordan Mumford, Dr Sarah List, Assoc Prof Ivan Kempson, Ms Adrienne Nieuwenhuis, Ms Leanne Steele and herself had been formed and met. The group had affirmed the benefit of adopting an UniSA statement and was currently working on a draft and accompanying explanatory memorandum. Once the draft was finalised by the working group, it would be submitted to the University Senior Management Group (SMG) for feedback. The draft Statement would then come back to Academic Board for discussion and ‘in principle’ endorsement. If in principle endorsement was secured, using Board members’ channels of communication to their constituencies, the draft would then be submitted to an open consultation process. Once the consultation process was complete, the Statement would then be submitted for final approval to Academic Board and then endorsement by University Council. At this stage it was envisaged that the first draft would be submitted for initial discussion to Academic Board at its February meeting in 2019.
During November Prof Waye attended the Nelson Mandela Lecture and the University Council end of year luncheon. The Nelson Mandela lecture sponsored by the Hawke Centre and the Law School, and delivered by Ms Ronni Kahn, Founder and CEO of Ozharvest, Australia’s leading food rescue organisation, was inspiring. Ms Kahn wove a tale showing that every individual could make a difference, and that with energy, commitment and persistence, benefit the lives of many others. The University Council end of year luncheon provided an opportunity to reflect on what had been a decisive year dealing with the parallel futures of Enterprise 25 and a possible merger with the University of Adelaide. Council members were confident that UniSA was now well placed for future success.

In concluding her report, Prof Waye advised that a survey, prepared by the Executive Officer, Mr Peter Cardwell, had been distributed by the Business Intelligence and Planning Unit, seeking members’ feedback on the effectiveness of Academic Board. Prof Waye encouraged members to take the time to fill out the survey so that their feedback could be used for continual improvement of the Board’s processes and procedures. What was being particularly sought was members’ ideas on how to improve Academic Board engagement.

A discussion followed on planning Academic Board business for 2019. Members raised as possible items for discussion at Board meetings during the year:

- Presentations on aspects of Enterprise 25, for example, membership of Academic Board in the context of restructuring.
- A presentation on the new Enterprise Agreement following final approval by SMG, the NTEU and CPSU, as well as the University staff vote early in 2019.
- Best practice cooperation with industry.
- UniSA Online going transnational.
- UniSA International Strategic Plan.
- Academic Board members access to A35A Program Evaluation and Reaccreditation Review reports and ASQC discussions.
- The national reformulation of research degrees particularly in terms of the PhD, assessment and training.
- The Review of the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) and Provider Category Standards.

2018/8/154 Academic Board resolved:

to receive the Chairperson’s Report.

Moved: Prof Vicki Waye (from the Chair)

CARRIED
ITEM 4 – VICE CHANCELLOR’S REPORT

10 The Vice Chancellor, Prof David Lloyd, introduced his written report, which was taken as read. Prof Lloyd reported that he would be giving the keynote address to the annual TEQSA Conference on 28 November. He also thanked the Pro Vice Chancellor (Health Sciences), Prof Bob Vink, who was leaving the University for his outstanding service to the institution.

2018/8/155 Academic Board resolved:

to receive the Vice Chancellor’s Report.

Moved: Prof Vicki Waye (from the Chair)

CARRIED

ITEM 5 – THE ROLE OF MICRO-CREDENTIALS IN THE EMERGING HIGHER EDUCATION ECOSYSTEM

11 Prof George Siemens, Director: Centre for Change and Complexity in Learning with the Teaching Innovation Unit, gave a presentation on the emerging role of micro-credentials particularly in the United States of America. Prof Siemens presentation looked at: the new learner profile; digitization and the increased pace of knowledge growth; human/AI interactions; for-profit participation in higher education; changing economic models; changing values and priorities as a system; automation/AI; and the expansion of options for learning. Micro-credentials were digital artefacts that could be used to recognise, display, and transmit information about an individual student’s skills, abilities, and knowledge. There were four key principles of educator micro-credentials: they were competency based, personalised, on-demand, and shareable. Micro-credentials could solve problems like learning outside the classroom not captured formally, as well as professional learning, which was its primary use currently, while providing a pipeline towards recognition for expanded learning opportunities and workforce training. Micro-credentials served primarily the needs of non-traditional learners, provided work-learning transition, and required a technological and curricular infrastructure distinct from what existed currently in most universities. At the same time, micro-credentialing engagement was about industry connections and future learning models, but activity was still in the early stages (tools and frameworks were rudimentary) and learners did not yet have familiarity with the process.

2018/8/156 Academic Board resolved:

to note the presentation on micro-credentials.

Moved: Prof Vicki Waye (from the Chair)

CARRIED

ITEM 6 – MATTERS FROM ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND QUALITY COMMITTEE (ASQC) 8/2018

6.1 DIVISION OF IT, ENGINEERING AND THE ENVIRONMENT

6.1.1 PROGRAM EVALUATION AND REACCREDITATION REVIEW REPORTS – DIVISION OF IT, ENGINEERING AND THE ENVIRONMENT (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/157 Academic Board resolved:
to approve the reaccreditation of the listed programs in the Division IT, Engineering and the Environment for the period 2019-2024 inclusive.

6.1.2 NEW PROGRAM – OFFSHORE MASTER OF ENGINEERING AND ASSOCIATED NESTED POSTGRADUATE AWARDS ((UNSTARRED ITEM))

2018/8/158 Academic Board resolved:

to approve the new Offshore Master of Engineering and associated nested postgraduate awards to be offered from Offshore Study Period 3, 2019.

6.1.3 NEW PROGRAM – GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN AVIATION ((UNSTARRED ITEM))

2018/8/159 Academic Board resolved:

to approve the new Graduate Diploma in Aviation to be offered from Study Period 1, 2020.

6.1.4 NEW PROGRAM – UNISA ONLINE BACHELOR OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT (HONOURS), PROGRAM AMENDMENT–BACHELOR OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT (HONOURS), PROGRAM AMENDMENT–BACHELOR OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

12 Members noted that at its meeting held on 9 November 2018, Academic Standards and Quality Committee (ASQC) considered the following new program and major program amendments submitted in accordance with the University’s Program Development Procedures:

DIVISION OF IT, ENGINEERING AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Bachelor of Construction Management (Honours) UniSA Online Bachelor of Construction Management

13 It was further noted that on 25 October 2018, the Executive of the Division of IT, Engineering and the Environment, on behalf of the Divisional Board, had endorsed a new program proposal from the School of Natural and Built Environments to offer a Bachelor of Construction Management (Honours) via UniSA Online, as well as major amendments to the Bachelor of Construction Management (Honours) and the Bachelor of Construction Management.

14 The Pro Vice Chancellor (IT, Engineering and the Environment), Prof Simon Beecham, and the Program Director, Assoc Prof Rameez Rameezdeen, introduced the proposals. They reported that the new program to offer a 4-year Bachelor of Construction Management (Honours) via UniSA Online formed part of the Tranche 2 program development, as the need for a 100% online professionally accredited construction management and quantity surveying degree had been identified. The associated major amendments were to change the program names from the Bachelor of Construction Management and Economics (Honours) and Bachelor of Built Environments to Bachelor of Construction Management (Honours), and Bachelor of Construction Management, respectively. The existing nomenclature was misleading, and the new title Construction Management embraced all three disciplines that the curriculum focused on: construction management, quantity surveying and building surveying. The change in name also aligned with that of the UniSA Online Construction Management programs, which were identical in content to the on-campus versions.

15 Academic Board welcomed the proposal to offer the first UniSA Online Honours program as a great example of progress, which it was noted would be supervised online.
Academic Board resolved:

to approve the new UniSA Bachelor of Construction Management (Honours) and the major amendments to the Bachelor of Construction Management (Honours) and the Bachelor of Construction Management with effect from Study Period 1, 2020.

Moved: Prof Joanne Cys  
Seconded: Prof David Lloyd  
CARRIED

6.1.5 PROGRAM AMENDMENT – BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING (HONOURS) ((UNSTARRED ITEM))

Academic Board resolved:

to approve the amendment to the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) effective from Study Period 1, 2020.

6.2 DIVISION OF EDUCATION, ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

6.2.1 PROGRAM EVALUATION AND REACCREDTITATION REVIEW REPORTS – DIVISION OF EDUCATION, ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES (UNSTARRED ITEM)

Academic Board resolved:

to approve the reaccreditation of the listed programs from the Division of Education, Arts and Social Sciences for a period of five years from Study Period 1 2020 – Study Period 7 2024 inclusive.

6.2.2 PROGRAM AMENDMENT – DIPLOMA IN LANGUAGES (UNSTARRED ITEM)

Academic Board resolved:

to approve the amendment to the Diploma in Languages with effect from Study Period 1, 2019.

6.3 DIVISION OF HEALTH SCIENCES

6.3.1 PROGRAM AMENDMENT – GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY (UNSTARRED ITEM)

Academic Board resolved:

to approve the amendment to the Graduate Diploma in Medical Sonography effective from Study Period 1, 2020.
6.4 BUSINESS SCHOOL

6.4.1 PROGRAM EVALUATION AND REACREDITATION REVIEW REPORTS – BUSINESS SCHOOL (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/165 Academic Board resolved:

to approve the reaccreditation of the listed programs in the Business School for a period of five years from Study Period 1 2020 – Study Period 7 2024 inclusive.

6.5 OTHER MATTERS

6.5.1 NEW SACE SUBJECTS FOR 2020 (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/166 Academic Board resolved to approve:

1. The recognition by the University of the newly accredited SACE subjects in the Australian Languages; Business, Enterprise and Technology; and the Humanities/Social Sciences Learning Areas as Tertiary Admissions Subjects for the purposes of completion of the SACE, calculation of a university aggregate and determination of an Australia Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR)

2. The determination of precluded subject combinations and counting restrictions in the Australian Languages; Business, Enterprise and Technology; and the Humanities/Social Sciences Learning Areas for the purposes of university entry requirements.

6.5.2 ASSESSMENT POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL 2019 – REVISION (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/167 Academic Board resolved:

to approve the reinstatement of the previous appeals timelines for academic misconduct and academic review.

ITEM 7 – MATTERS FROM RESEARCH DEGREES COMMITTEE (RDC) 8/2017

ITEM 7 - BUSINESS

7.1 DEFENCE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY GROUP HONOURS GRANT (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/168 Academic Board resolved:

to approve the new Defence Science and Technology Group Honours Grant.
7.2 ALEXANDER SYMONDS SURVEYING GRANT (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/169 Academic Board resolved:

to approve the new Alexander Symonds Surveying

7.3 DR BRIAN WEBBY REGIONAL ENGINEERING SUPPORT GRANT (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/170 Academic Board resolved:

to approve the new Dr Brian Webby Regional Engineering Support Grant.

7.4 DR BRIAN WEBBY HIGH ACHIEVER PRIZE (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/170 Academic Board resolved:

to approve the new Dr Brian Webby High Achiever Prize.

7.5 ELITE ATHLETE STUDY GRANT (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/171 Academic Board resolved:

to approve the new Elite Athlete Study Grant.

7.6 ELITE ATHLETE AND PERFORMER TRAVEL GRANT (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/172 Academic Board resolved:

to approve the new Elite Athlete and Performer Travel Grant.

7.7 THE COCHRAN TOP-UP SCHOLARSHIP FOR OSTEOARTHRITIS RESEARCH (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/173 Academic Board resolved:

to approve the new Cochran Top-Up Scholarship for Osteoarthritis Research.

7.8 THE STYLECRAFT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/174 Academic Board resolved:

to approve the new Stylecraft Award for Excellence.

7.9 THE DERIVAN MATISSE PAINTING PRIZE (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/174 Academic Board resolved:

to approve the new Derivan Matisse Painting Prize.
7.10 THE PORT ART SUPPLIES PAINTING PRIZE (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/175 Academic Board resolved:

to approve the establishment of the Port Art Supplies Painting Prize.

ITEM 8 – FOR INFORMATION

8.1 ACADEMIC PROMOTIONS 2018: LEVEL B AND LEVEL C (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/176 Academic Board resolved:

to note the academic promotions 2018: Level B and Level C.

8.2 ACADEMIC BOARD SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS 2019 (UNSTARRED ITEM)

2018/8/177 Academic Board resolved:

to note the Academic Board schedule of meetings 2019.

ITEM 9 – CLOSURE

16 The Chairperson thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 3.50 pm. The outgoing student representatives, and in particular USASA President Mr Jordan Mumford, were thanked for their active participation on Academic Board throughout the year, and their contribution was acknowledged by the acclamation of Board members.

ITEM 10 – NEXT MEETING

17 The next meeting of Academic Board would be held on Friday 22 February 2019, at 2.15 pm in Room RR 5-09, Rowland Rees Building, City West Campus. Closing date for papers – Monday, 11 February 2019.

PETER CARDWELL
EXECUTIVE OFFICER