

## Unitec New Zealand Limited

### Board Meeting

30 July 2020

<b>Title</b>	Academic Board Minutes for June and updates from July meeting
<b>Provided by:</b>	Simon Nash, Chair Academic Board
<b>For:</b>	<b>Information</b>

### Recommendation

That the Board receives this paper.

### Purpose

The purpose of this paper is to provide the approved Academic Board Minutes for June 2020 and the Chair's summary of the July 2020 meeting for your information.

### Key Points from the July meeting

Academic Board has requested further work be undertaken on understanding our qualification non-completion rates, including additional data capture from the Learner Outreach Project that has been in place over Semester One and during lockdown. This is to support decision-making and action to improve student success.

The Academic Recovery (ARC) Sub-Committee was established in April in response to Covid 19, and will be disestablished at the end of July, but can be reconvened if required. ARC has worked closely with the Incident Management Team (responsible for the non-academic elements of Unitec's Covid response) to provide rapid decision-making in exceptional circumstances. A report on activity will be provided in August as part of our EER reporting.

#### *Committee governance quality improvements*

Academic Board will continue to prepare for EER after feedback from the IER panel identified areas for further improvement. A workshop has been scheduled with David Glover, focusing on the governance role and how to be an effective Academic Board member.

Reporting to Academic Board is undergoing a review and revision, six months after the introduction of new reporting arrangements. Academic Board has been heavily focused on oversight and compliance reporting post-2018 EER, but needs to balance this more with

forward-looking planning for academic direction. Notwithstanding the need to be mindful of making any significant changes prior to EER, we will make minor improvements now with further development for 2021.

## **Attachments**

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Final Academic Board Minutes June 2020