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To	Poari Mātauranga Academic Board	Date	28 August 2020
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Subject	Subcommittee Chair Report – Unitec Research Committee		

Work Summary Update

- The committee was highly supportive of the final draft of the 2020 – 2024 Research Strategy. Comments included;
Alignment with Te Tiriti o Waitangi is clear.
A succinct and robust document.
Clearly aligned with Unitec's overall strategy.
Admirable focus on the collaborative nature of research at Unitec. Collaborative efforts have brought more productivity to research at Unitec, i.e. people working together rather than striving individually.
August 31st is the deadline for final comment.
- The Research Productivity Traffic Light Report and the 2019 Research Report were both presented to the committee. Concern was expressed about the increased demands of teaching with higher student-staff ratios noted in particular. The concept of reporting these in conjunction with programme research productivity was mooted and members were encouraged to bring forward a formal proposal. Any changes to the RPTL must be ratified by the Academic Board. Arun Deo was thanked for his accuracy and diligence in leading the preparation of both reports.
- The 2021 Contestable Early Career Research Fund is now open for expressions of interest.
- The committee was updated on progress on preparation for the 2020 Unitec Research Symposium. The event is shaping up well on all fronts.

Items Linked

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