

CIT Board Communique – Meeting 2/2016 – 31 May 2016

The CIT Board met on Tuesday 31 May 2016.

Student Member Elections

The Board acknowledged the contribution of the 2015/16 student member, Mr Kent Chambers, as that appointment ends on 30 June 2016. Nominations for the 2016/2017 student member were open from 12 to 9 May 2016 and an election was held from 26 May to 1 June 2016. The 2016/17 student member will be announced following appointment by the Minister for Higher Education, Training and Research.

Strategic Planning

The CIT Board considered and provided feedback on a draft road map for CIT's future. The Board agreed to align the promotion of CIT's new strategic direction, through the CIT roadmap document, with the launch of CIT Tuggeranong in July 2016.

The CEO will also lead an internal communication strategy with staff to inform them of the Board's new strategic direction. This will include a series of campus forums and leveraging off CIT's internal governance structure to include discussion at relevant committees and networks.

Campus Modernisation Strategy

The campus modernisation strategy continues to gain momentum with the Board considering alternative options for the use of surplus property based on the current land zoning of various sites. The Board Chair and the CEO will meet with Government representatives to progress the Board's intentions in this area.

Financial Strategy

The Board noted the continuing financial challenges facing CIT including CIT losing market share to other RTOs. CIT's profile delivery fell last year and is 6% under anticipated delivery this year.

CIT Business Development

The Business Development and Cultural Change Sub-committee met a number of times and is keen to ensure alignment of the new strategic direction with the cultural change and capability development program currently under development.

The Board has agreed that to embrace the opportunities available in the VET and higher education marketplace in the next five years significant change is required at CIT so that CIT can grow its market share in the contestable sources of government funding and the commercial offerings market segments.

On a recommendation from the sub-committee, the Board agreed to the commencement of new ways of working between CIT and CIT Solutions on projects exploring teacher training and the central development of learning resource products.

The sub-committee will continue to monitor progress and provide ongoing advice to the CIT Board during 2016.