

CIT Board Communique - Meeting 02/2020 - 29 April

This document is a public summary of matters considered by the CIT Board. It is not intended to be a detailed set of minutes and does not cover all matters considered by the Board.

Opening / Administration

The Chair provided an acknowledgement of country, welcomed members to this video conference meeting.

CIT Response - COVID 19

The CEO and Executive Director Corporate Services provided an update to Board members on CIT's response to COVID -19, including how CIT is working across multiple fronts to address the issues, such as nationally (through TAFE Directors Australia) and within government and industry requirements. The practical components of training are a challenge, but online learning will facilitate continued study and engagement for students. Teachers and staff determined which courses can be delivered online; which courses can be reconfigured or re sequenced for online learning; small training packages for students who are not able to continue the study they had enrolled in; and new programs that are being developed. Term started again on 28 April 2020 without physical on-campus teaching and learning delivery until restrictions enable this to occur. Information was also provided on ACT Government measures to address the impacts of COVID-19.

Members discussed a range of COVID-19 impacts including concern for the wellbeing and health of staff working from home and the specific challenges related to students including international students.

The Chair, on behalf of the Board, acknowledged the CEO and executive team for their leadership in responding to COVID-19. The CEO acknowledged staff for their outstanding commitment to continuing to meet the needs of all students and for supporting their colleagues during this period.

Campus Renewal

The Chair and CEO outlined their ongoing engagement in meetings as members of the CIT Woden Project Board and updated CIT Board members on the progression of the CIT Woden business case in line with the principles outlined by the Board in October 2019. Members discussed key issues to consider as part of the design and construction phases.

Finance and Budget matters

Members were provided with an update on finance and budget matters including the quarterly report for January- March 2020.

Members discussed the need to consider possible scenarios from the impact of COVID-19 and the impact those scenarios could have on CIT's budget as the year progresses.

Strategic Compass Development – Next Steps

Members discussed the importance of CIT continuing to gain understanding of the environment in which it operates and the connections and interdependencies between CIT's people and the CIT as a system. Further evolving and adapting together will be part of implementing the next iteration of the Strategic Compass, and the fundamental importance of understanding CIT as a system that learns. Members discussed the next steps in preparing the new Strategic Compass document including the possible impact of timing of release due to the current focus on responding to COVID-19.

CIT Solutions Board Update

The Chair provided an update on CIT Solutions including the impact of COVID-19 on activity and expected revenue.

CIT Audit Committee Report

The Board was updated on the Audit Committee's work including a briefing from the Executive Director Corporate Services, on the role of the Crisis Management Team in responding to COVID-19.