

SAINT PAUL'S COLLEGE BILL

Summary of the key aspects proposed to be included in a new St Paul's College Act

Name and status of College

- Legal entity is continuation of existing College
- Name of college continues to be "Saint Paul's College"
- Anglican college of and within the University of Sydney
- Name of corporation continues to be "Warden and Fellows of Saint Paul's College"
- Objects are provision of accommodation, education and religious instruction to students

Council composition

- Council of 13 members:
 - Warden
 - 4 elected Clerical Fellows
 - A Clerical Fellow must be an Anglican in Holy Orders (male or female)
 - 6 elected Lay Fellows
 - 2 Fellows appointed by the Council
- Electorate consists of:
 - Persons who have resided in College for at least four terms or three semesters and are graduates of University of Sydney
- In the case of a vacancy of an elected Fellow arising mid-term, Council may appoint a Fellow,
 - Until the next election if vacancy falls in the first two years of term and then an election will be held for the remainder of term
 - Until the end of the original term if a vacancy falls in the last four years of an elected Fellow's term
- In appointing Fellows, Council is to have regard to gender diversity and relevant expertise and experience
- At least one Fellow will hold an academic appointment at the University of Sydney
- Fellows have 6 year term, rotating on 2 year basis
- Standard director's duties for Council members

Warden

- Appointed by Council, must be an ordained Anglican or a communicant Anglican lay person
- Chief Executive Officer conducting day-to-day management of College
- Exercises functions in accordance with by-laws and Council policies

Chaplain

- An Anglican in Holy Orders, licensed by the Archbishop of Sydney, will be appointed by the Warden

Visitor

- Archbishop of Sydney is Visitor

Council procedure

- Council to elect Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson
- Quorum is any 7 members but must include 1 clerical Fellow
- Material interests must be disclosed
- Technology may be used for meetings
- Circular resolution may be passed by a majority of Council members

By-laws

- Council may make by-laws
- By-laws to be published on College website

Students

- To be students of University of Sydney (or other university if By-law so provides)
- Eligible to be student regardless of religion

Transitional

- Upon passing the Act, the present Council will invite enough Elected Fellows to offer their resignations until the reduced size and composition of Council is achieved (4 clerical and 6 lay Fellows).
 - The Council will then appoint two Fellows (one for 5 years, one for three years) and the new election cycle will begin
 - Year 1 (2 lay, 2 clerics elected)
 - Year 3 (2 lay, 1 cleric elected, 1 Fellow appointed)
 - Year 5 (2 lay, 1 cleric elected, 1 Fellow appointed)
- Should voluntary resignations not reduce the Council to the desired size of elected Fellows, the Council will appoint two Fellows (one for 5 years, one for 3 years) and the new election cycle will begin (as above) and the size of the Council will be reduce over the natural course of the cycle.

To make comments or suggestions on the proposed new St Paul's College Act, please email governance@stpauls.edu.au or write to the Revd Dr Ed Loane, c/o St Paul's College, 9 City Road, Camperdown, NSW 2050.