

Resolutions of the AAT Council

5 July 2018

#	Resolution
1	<p>Chair's Term</p> <p>The AAT Council will appoint a Chair for a term of one year, with the possibility of renewal for a second year.</p>
2	<p>Acting Chair</p> <p>The AAT Council appoint Prof Chris Tinney (UNSW) as the inaugural Chair of the AAT Council.</p>
3	<p>Instrument Scientist</p> <p>The AAT Council are in broad support regarding Chris Lidman's proposal on the management of the Instrument Scientist roles by the large program teams.</p>
4	<p>Astronomical support services</p> <p>The AAT Council supports a program which provides, per night of service given, either a \$300 honorarium OR one night of Director's time in return for volunteers from the Australian astronomy community undertaking astronomical support roles.</p>
5	<p>Service Time Suspension</p> <p>The AAT Council resolve to remove the provision of service mode on the AAT.</p>
6	<p>Deputy Chair</p> <p>Julia Bryant was appointed as Deputy Chair to the AAT Council.</p>
7	<p>Conflicts of Interest</p> <p>AAT Council adopts the following policies in regards to the management of conflicts of interests:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. A Council Member who holds any office, or possesses any property, by which, whether directly or indirectly, duties or interests might be created in conflict with his or her duties or interests as a member of the AAT Council must declare that conflict to the Council, as well as the nature, character and extent of the conflict.2. A Council member who has a material personal interest in a matter that is being considered at a meeting of the Council<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. must not be counted in a quorum;b. must not vote on the matter; andc. must not be present while the matter is being considered at the meeting.3. A Conflict of Interest register will be maintained by Council, in which members declare their potential conflicts of interest.

8	<p>Resolutions</p> <p>AAT Council resolutions will be made public unless the Council indicates otherwise. The SSO Director's report will also be made public.</p>
9	<p>ATAC nominations process</p> <p>The AAT Council delegates the ATAC nominations process to AAL, in accordance with its normal committee appointments procedures. AAL is to make a recommendation to the AAT Council, presented along with a list of all applicants. The AAT Council will then approve all appointments.</p>
10	<p>Technical Secretary</p> <p>The AAT Council endorses AAL's undertaking the entirety of the AAT Technical Secretary role.</p>
11	<p>AATUC</p> <p>The size and composition of the AAT Users' Committee will remain as for the previous AAO Users' Committee: 6 members, with a preference that this include 2 international members when possible. The nominations and appointment process will be undertaken in the same manner as for the ATAC case.</p>
12	<p>ATAC and AATUC membership</p> <p>Members of ATAC and the AATUC (previously the AAOUC) will complete their terms as appointed to those committees under the AAO.</p>
13	<p>New Instruments</p> <p>Researchers must obtain the support of the AAT Council and SSO Director before seeking external funding (such as LIEF) to build instruments. Once funding is secured, a more detailed plan should be presented to the AAT Council. Note this is not a guarantee of <i>time</i> for the instrument group.</p>
14	<p>Director's Time</p> <p>The AAT Council delegates the assignment of Director's Time (not to exceed 10% of the nights available) to suitable activities and instruments, consulting with ATAC before each semester, reporting that assignment to the AAT Council at the Council's next scheduled meeting, and reporting on the outcomes of that Director's Time at the Council's next scheduled meeting following each semester.</p>
15	<p>Paid Time (CONFIDENTIAL)</p>

29 Aug 2018

#	Resolution
1	<p>The Council resolves to issue a Call for Large Programs to commence from Semester 19A onwards, and will meet after the call is issued (but before ATAC next meets) to provide ATAC with guidance on the fraction of time available and the scientific merit expected for Large Programs going forward.</p>

27 Sep 2018

#	Resolution
1	The AAT Council supports a Large Program scheme on the AAT and expects the continuation of regular calls for Large Programs going forward.

28 May 2019

#	Resolution
1	The Council agreed to extend Blanco-AAT Swap Time arrangement until 2020B.
2	The Council approved AAL to draw down the remaining [...] Management Fee for 2018/19 from the AAT Account, once sufficient funds become available from Paid Time activity (expected in June 2019 [...]).
3	The Council resolved that AAT operational funding will no longer be allocated to support TAIPAN activity. Any support that is provided by AAT staff from June 2019 for external (non-AAT) projects must be recovered from those projects. This charge will not to be applied retrospectively.
4	AAL will hold all funds surplus at the end of each year in the AAT Consortium account as a cumulative reserve [...]. An operational contingency [...] will be allocated in the FY2019/20 budget, to be held by ANU. Any unspent operational contingency would also roll into the AAT Consortium reserve.
5	The Council approved the appointment of Michelle Cluver to the AATUC, and the path towards appointments of Chair and student positions to the AATUC.
6	The SSO director, Chair of ATAC and Chair of the AAT Council will assess the scientific value of the Paid Time programs.

10 July 2019

#	Resolution
1	The Council resolves to adopt as a provisional FY29/20 budget the proposed draft budget, [...].
2	The Council resolves to form a Finance Committee.

31 July 2019

#	Resolution
1	The Council resolves to not issue a Call for Large Programs for the 2020A observing semester.

14 October 2019

#	Resolution
1	<p>The Council resolves to establish a Finance Working Group, composed of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Karl Glazebrook (Chair, Swin)- Simon Driver (UWA)- Matthew Colless (ANU)- Chris Tinney (UNSW)- Joanne Thomson (external, AAL) <p>The Finance Working Group will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. review and advise the AAT Council on any changes required to the 2019/20 AAT Budget;2. by 28 Feb 2020 advise the AAT on the establishment of an ongoing AAT Council Finance Committee, including the Terms of Reference under which such a committee would operate.

20 Nov 2019

#	Resolution
1	The Council accepted the proposed Terms of Reference for the AAT Finance Committee, meeting schedule and membership policy.
2	The AAT Finance Working Group is approved to become the AAT Finance Committee. The Committee Chair is delegated to find and recommend an additional member.
3	The proposed 2019/2020 AAT budget was accepted.
4	Chris Tinney will remain as AAT Council Chair, and Julia Bryant will serve as Deputy Chair, through to the end of the Nov 2020 Council meeting, after which new elections be held to appoint a Chair and Deputy Chair for 2-year terms.
5	AAL should explore prospects for selling additional AAT time in calendar year 2020 if possible (or in future years with Council approval), with the total fraction to be reviewed annually by the Council.
6	Large Program proposals will be accepted at the 2020B call. Approved Veloce & KOALA Large Programs may commence in 2020B, while approved 2dF-based Large Programs may commence in 2021A (the latter subject to the SSO Director confirming 2dF is ready to support Large Programs in 2021A before the start of 2021A).

4 Feb 2020 (email)

#	Resolution
1	The Council resolved to modify Clause 12 of the ATAC Policy, "AAT Long and Large Programs", as per version 04 February 2020 of the policy.

25 May 2020

#	Resolution
1	The AAT Council accepted updated Terms of Reference for the Finance Committee and approved Mark Casali's appointment to the Finance Committee.
2	The AAT Council accepted the AAT 2019/20 financial report to March 2020 and approved the budget for FY2020/21.
3	The AAT Council: (1) Approved AAT participation in the UNSW anonymous proposal review trial as described in Schedule 1 of the proposed agreement between UNSW and AAL. (2) Authorised the transfer to UNSW of de-identified data regarding applicants, proposals and proposal outcomes, for use by designated researchers as part of the trial, subject to evidence of UNSW Ethics Approval being provided to Council. (3) Delegated authority to the ATAC chair to make temporary changes to ATAC processes in order to implement the trial.
4	The AAT Council approved an extension of the current agreement with NOAO to swap AAT and Blanco time for a further 6 months (Semester 21A). [...] The AAT Council will not pursue a time swap arrangement between the AAT and DCT at this time, given the current level of interest within the Australian community.
5	The AAT Council approved the appointment of Katie Auchetl and Jesse van de Sande to ATAC, and of Kyler Kuehn and Lara Cullinane to AATUC.
6	The AAT Council approved the scope and initiation of the AAT Operations Review process, for delivery to the Council by 30 June 2021.