

DASSH – Associate Deans Research Network Meeting

RMIT Melbourne 9-10 February 2012

Bowen Street-Building 9, Level 2, Room 16, 124 La Trobe Street

AGENDA - Thursday 9 February

10:00 AM WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Denise Meredyth

REVIEW OF OUTCOMES FROM MAGNETIC ISLAND

(Sue McGinty)

10:15 AM PROJECT REPORTS

It was decided at the inaugural meeting to focus on seven short projects over the six months up until March 2012. Project Leaders are asked to report back on their progress and to use the group to further their projects through active input of the attendees.

1. A general values statement on our network – why do we exist?

Louise D’Arcens, Kim Humphery

2. Develop a statement of strategies and protocols for publishing with students (changing cultures).

Carmen Moran, Heiko Daniel, Roy Jones

3. More on Communities of Practice as a tool for learning engagement

Sue McGinty

12:30 PM LUNCH

1:30 PM GUEST SPEAKER: THE RETURN OF IMPACT

Professor Stuart Cunningham, Director, ARC Centre of Excellence for Creative Industries and Innovation, Queensland University of Technology

(Emily Mac Multipurpose room – Building 13, Level 3, Room 7)

The Australian university system was gearing up for an exercise in measuring the social, cultural and economic benefit of academic research through the planned Research Quality Framework (RQF) till 2007. The new government went in another direction with the Excellence in Research for Australia initiative. In the UK, an impact component has been built into the new Research Excellence Framework, to some extent based on that, which was being developed for the RQF. Now, an ATN-Go8 trial, and a feasibility study

into the introduction of an impact measure, are being developed in Australia. Is this a positive move? What are the opportunities and threats for the arts, social sciences and humanities in this development?

2:40 PM RESUME PROGRESS REPORTS

4. Sharing of resources around:

- -Selection of criteria for creative works (proxy measures for reporting)
Denise Meredyth
- Strategies for capacity building
Sharon Harvey, Margaret Peters

3:30 PM GUEST SPEAKER: PRIVACY IN NETWORKED PLACES

Dr. Danah Boyd, Senior Researcher, Microsoft Research and Assistant Professor, New York University

(Research Lounge – Building 8, Level 5)

There is a widespread myth that young people don't care about privacy. Embedded in this myth is an assumption that participation in public social media like Facebook and Twitter indicates a rejection of privacy. Yet, just because people want to participate in public life doesn't mean that they want everything they do to go down on their permanent record or to be publicized for the whole world to see. This talk will examine how young people understand privacy and the strategies they take to achieve privacy in networked publics.

5.00 PM CONCLUDE FOR THE DAY

7.00 PM DINNER - ABLA'S LEBANESE RESTAURANT

(109 Elgin Street, Carlton VIC 3053)

AGENDA - Friday 10 February

**9:00 AM GUEST SPEAKER: THE HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES IN AUSTRALIA
TODAY: CONJECTURES AND PROVOCATIONS**

Emeritus Professor Ian Hunter, University of Queensland

(Emily Mac Multipurpose room – Building 13, Level 3, Room 7)

Often discussions of the humanities and social sciences are conducted by invoking the twin themes of crisis and relevance. In this talk I use some historical reflections to suggest that the HSS don't have the kind of unity that might make them relevant (or irrelevant) to society conceived as some kind of whole. The HSS consist of a loose and changing ensemble of disciplines and intellectual and ethical practices whose current condition and future prospects need to be discussed in this disaggregated way. I offer a sketch in these terms. Such unity as the HSS do possess lies at the level of their institutional ordering in the university and in the larger governmental programs responsible for this ordering today.

10:15 AM MORNING TEA

10:20 AM DISCUSSION

- **Develop a broad definition of research productivity in our disciplines**
Kristy Muir, Tim Scrase
- **Special project into 2012 – the sustainability of research Institutes and Centres.**
Sue Martin, Robert Phiddian
- **Research plans in workload models.**
Tim Scrase, Sue Martin
- **Support of HDRs**
Geoff Stokes, Chris Lee

1:00 PM LUNCH

1:30 PM FINAL SESSION

Preparation for DASSH 2012 Conference Canberra (13-14 Sept, 2012)

What do we want? Agenda items, special projects? Etc.

3:00 PM CONCLUDE