Monash University Foundation for Jewish Studies Regulations

Made by the Monash University Council

The Foundation

1. The Monash University Foundation for Jewish Studies is established as a foundation within the University.

Interpretations

2. In these regulations, unless the contrary intention appears -

'board' means the board of management of the foundation;

'centre' means the Australian Centre for the Study of Jewish Civilisation;

'deputy vice-chancellor and vice-president' means the deputy vice-chancellor and vice-president responsible for university-wide resource management;

'faculty' means the Faculty of Arts;

'foundation' means the Monash University Foundation for Jewish Studies.

Objects

3.1 The objects of the foundation are to support, encourage and promote excellence in education, study, teaching and research in the centre and, without restricting the generality of the foregoing, to:

3.1.1 teach, research and preserve essential elements of Jewish culture;

3.1.2 study the key role of Jewish culture in the development of the modern world;

3.1.3 study and foster understanding of the diversity of the Jewish experience;

3.1.4 foster the development of close relations between the centre and persons engaged in teaching, study and research in the field of Jewish studies outside the university;

3.1.5 promote in the centre teaching and research in Jewish studies, in particular by funding -

3.1.5.1 visiting, fixed term and continuing lectureship appointments in particular fields;
3.1.5.2 programs of continuing education, special courses, seminars and symposia in fields of interest to the centre and the Jewish and general community;

3.1.5.3 special projects;

3.1.5.4 new research activities; and

3.1.5.5 research fellowship appointments in particular fields; and

3.1.6 promote the centre and assist students by providing scholarships at undergraduate or graduate level within the university and for terms of study not exceeding twelve months at overseas institutions.

3.2 The board may do all or any such things as are incidental or conducive to supporting and promoting the objects of the foundation, including -

3.2.1 soliciting donations, gifts and bequests to the university for the purposes of the foundation; and

3.3.2 assisting in or arranging the printing and distribution of publications.

Board of Management

4.1 The board of management consists of:

4.1.1 the vice-chancellor and president or nominee;

4.1.2 the deputy vice-chancellor and vice-president or nominee;

4.1.3 the dean of the faculty or nominee; and

4.1.4 not less than twelve or more than fifteen persons not employed by the university, appointed by the vice-chancellor and president on the advice of the dean of the faculty.

4.2 Members of the board under paragraph 4.1.4 must be appointed for a period of five years, provided that in the case of the first appointment, one-half of the members must be appointed for a period of three years.

4.3 The board may from time to time, with the approval of the vice-chancellor and president, co-opt additional persons to be members of the board for a specified period not exceeding five years.

4.4 At any one time there must be no more than three co-opted members of the board.

4.5 Subject to the ultimate direction of the Council and to the regulations, the board is responsible for the control and management of the affairs of the foundation.

Meetings
5.1 At the first meeting of the board in each calendar year, the board must elect from amongst its appointed members, a person to the chair of the board for that year.

5.2 In relation to meetings of the board -

5.2.1 there must be at least two in each calendar year;

5.2.2 the director of the centre must be in attendance;

5.2.3 five members constitute a quorum; and

5.2.4 subject to the regulations, Statute 1.2 - Meetings applies.

Financial management

6.1 In this section 'investment common fund' means an investment common fund established and operated in accordance with section 35A of the Monash University Act 1958.

6.2 All money received by the university for the foundation must be placed in an investment common fund.

6.3 The Council must approve an annual transfer, from an investment common fund to an account kept by the university entitled 'The Monash University Foundation for Jewish Studies Account', of an amount representing not more than seventy-five percent of the earnings in the preceding year on all money placed in the investment common fund on behalf of the foundation.

6.4 Subject to subsection 6.6, the board may, from time to time -

6.4.1 by a two-thirds majority, approve and determine the application of all or any of the money standing to the credit of the Monash University Foundation for Jewish Studies Account; and

6.4.2 by a unanimous vote, recommend to the deputy vice-chancellor and vice-president the expenditure of money held by the university on behalf of the foundation in the investment common fund -

for or towards the objects of the foundation or anything incidental or conducive to the attainment of those objects.

6.5 The deputy vice-chancellor and vice-president may approve a recommendation of the board under paragraph 6.4.2 provided the expenditure would not have the effect of reducing the amount remaining in the investment common fund to a level insufficient to provide adequate earnings to support the existing financial commitments of the foundation.

6.6 Before taking any action under subsection 6.4, the board must consult with the advisory board of the centre.

Secretary
7. The Council may, on the recommendation of the board, appoint a person to act as secretary to the board, with or without remuneration.

Report to Council

8.1 In this section, 'foundation account' means the Monash University Foundation for Jewish Studies Account.

8.2 The board must submit to the Council an annual report detailing -

8.2.1 the amount of money raised by the foundation over the preceding twelve months;

8.2.2 the amount of money transferred to the foundation account;

8.2.3 the purposes to which money expended from the foundation account was directed; and

8.2.4 the balance of money standing to the credit of the foundation account -

and any other information required by the Council.