Date: Thursday 10 August 2006
Time: 11:30 am
Venue: Room 4.1A, Chancellery Building
Present: The Chancellor (Chair)
Professor Nick Costa
Jeremy Rigg
Mr Philip Hocking
Professor Simone Volet
Professor Tom Lyons
Professor John Yovich
Secretary: Ms Samantha Summerton
Apologies: Official attendees: Nil
Observers: Not applicable

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES
   1.1 Ms Alison Gaines, Nathan Giles, Malcolm Macpherson,
   1.2 Any apologies received after circulation of the agenda will be reported to the meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
   Section 17A and Division 2 of Schedule 1 of the Murdoch University Act require all members of Senate who have a material personal interest in a matter being considered or about to be considered:
   (i) to declare the nature and extent of the interest; and
   (ii) not to be present during consideration of the matter, nor vote on it.

3. MINUTES
   The Committee confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 12/12/2005

4. SENATE MEDALS
   The Committee considered the following nominees for Senate medals:
   - Mr Phillip Arena;
   - Ms Jan Christie;
   - Dr Paul D’Sylva;
   - Professor Mike Jones;
   - Dr Kuruvilla Mathews;
   - Ms Yolanda Pereira;
   - Mr Brian Richards.
After much consideration, the Committee approved the nominations of Ms Christie, Ms Pereira and Mr Richards. While all nominees were excellent, these three stood out as they were all non-academic members of staff, had been working at Murdoch for a long period of time and had each shown outstanding dedication, going above and beyond what was expected of them and raising the profile of the University with their activities. Other nominees will be carried over to later meetings for further discussion.

Resolved: To award a Senate medal to Ms Jan Christie, Ms Yolanda Pereira and Mr Brian Richards in 2006. The Chair will write to the awardees, notifying them of their selection.

5. HONORARY DEGREES

The Committee reviewed the nominations of Mr Robert Stranger, Professor Marilyn Renfree and Professor Stuart Macintyre for the warding of Honorary Degrees.

The Committee resolved to award Mr Stranger a Honorary Master of Science (Environmental Science) for his dedication, sustained effort and quality of output in the field of ornithology.

Resolved: To award Mr Stranger a Honorary Master of Science (Environmental Science). The Chair will write to the awardees, notifying them of their selection.

6. FOR NOTING

The Committee noted the occasional address speakers for the September 2006 graduation ceremonies.

7. FOR INFORMATION/NOTING –RESOLUTION REGISTER

The Committee noted the copy of the committee’s 2006 resolution register.
8. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the committee will be decided at a later date.

The meeting closed at 12:12pm.

Signed as a true record of the meeting of the Honorary Awards & Ceremonial Committee held on 12/12/2005.

EMERITUS PROFESSOR GEOFFREY BOLTON
CHAIR

Dated: September, 2006