SHRS School Meeting Minutes: Friday, 22 February 2013, 1:00pm – 1:30pm

1. Head of School:
   - Welcome to new staff:
     - Cath Thompson: EA to Head of School
     - Wayne Pitman: Acting School Manager
     - Tammy Aplin: Associate Lecturer, OT
     - Katie Ekberg: Post doc research fellow, CDC

2. Head of School Report:
   - From the VCs office
     - A committee has been established to Review the Faculty of Health Sciences (as well as Arts and SBS faculties)
     - The VC is aware of the new dual degree proposal
     - Recent student admissions round found there was an increase in applicants esp. in Physio
   - Faculty News
     - New Associate Dean Clinical: Gerald Holtmann
     - Many changes to HOS in the Faculty with David Wilkinson going to Macquarie Uni, Cathy Turner and Laurence Walsh stepping down, Doune Macdonald’s last year and Nick Shaw finishing up next year.
   - Budget
     - Everyone aware of budget constraints which are very tight this year but hope to ease off next year
   - Refurbs
     - Levels 5 & 8 are now done and you’re invited to have a look
     - Level 1 Student Hub should be ready to start in approx. 5 weeks so ready by beginning of Sem 2
   - Staffing changes
     - Wayne Pitman has been offered a position at the School of Population Health and will be here until mid-April so the position of School Manager will be advertised shortly
     - Casual teaching budgets have been approved
   - Strategic Plan
     - Board of Directors will be revisiting it
       BoD consists of HoS, School Manager, HoD (4) & John Marley from FHS (mentor & advisor)
     - Key Strategies (and past leaders):
       - Teaching and Learning (Lucy Chipchase)
       - Research and Research Training (Dave Copland)
       - Clinics (Deb Theodoros and Trevor Russell)
       - People and Culture (Bill Vicenzino)
       - Administrative Processes (Libby Leggate)
       - Infrastructure (Louise Hickson)
     - Seeking expressions of interest for Strategy leaders moving forward

3. Guest Speaker: Professor Sylvia Rodger
   - Sylvia was going to talk about the LEGS grant but due to the recent success of her Autism CRC bid she spoke about that today instead
   - This has been a culmination of over 3 years of work and involves 54 partners and 7 Universities which aims to provide better services and outcomes for children and adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)
   - A Research Hub will be established at Long Pocket
- Funding will commence in July this year for a period of 8 years

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4. OHS update
   - OHS responsibilities have been spread across 3 staff while Venerina is on SSP for Sem 1 – Dion Scott, Amy Fagan and Maryann Surridge.
   - Dion - We will be having an electrical test and tag in March/early April so just a reminder that no personal electrical equipment is allowed
   - Maryann would like to remind staff that the OHS inductions for undergrad students is now online and she has the necessary paperwork
   - OHS Audit report from 2012 has been provided to the School and HOS and School Manager will consider it and then give feedback to all

Next Meeting: Monday 18th March, 2013 Room 624 1:00pm