Resolutions of the AAT Council

5 July 2018

#	Resolution
1	**Resolution2018July5_1:** Chair's Term The AAT Council will appoint a Chair for a term of one year, with the possibility of renewal for a second year.
2	**Resolution2018July5_2:** Acting Chair The AAT Council appoint Prof Chris Tinney (UNSW) as the inaugural Chair of the AAT Council.
3	**Resolution2018July5_3:** Instrument Scientist 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.
4	**Resolution2018July5_4:** Astronomical support services 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.
5	**Resolution2018July5_5:** Service Time Suspension The AAT Council resolve to remove the provision of service mode on the AAT.
6	**Resolution2018July5_6:** Deputy Chair Julia Bryant was appointed as Deputy Chair to the AAT Council.

7	**Resolution2018July5_7:** Conflicts of Interest
	
	AAT Council adopts the following policies in regards to the management of conflicts of interests:
	
	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
	    a. must not be counted in a quorum;
	    b. must not vote on the matter; and
	    c. 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	**Resolution2018July5_8:** Resolutions
	AAT Council resolutions will be made public unless the Council indicates otherwise. The SSO Director's report will also be made public.
9	**Resolution2018July5_9:** ATAC nominations process
	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.
10	**Resolution2018July5_10:** Technical Secretary
	The AAT Council endorses AAL's undertaking the entirety of the AAT Technical Secretary role.
11	**Resolution2018July5_11:** AATUC
	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.
12	**Resolution2018July5_12:** ATAC and AATUC membership
	Members of ATAC and the AATUC (previously the AAOUC) will complete their terms as appointed to those committees under the AAO.
13	**Resolution2018July5_13:** New Instruments
	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 *time* for the instrument group.
14	**Resolution2018July5_14:** Director's Time
	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.
15	**Resolution2018July5_15:** Paid Time (CONFIDENTIAL)

29 Aug 2018

#	Resolution
1	**Resolution2018Aug29_1:**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.

27 Sep 2018

#	Resolution
1	**Resolution2018Sep27_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	**Resolution2019May28_1:** The Council agreed to extend Blanco-AAT Swap Time arrangement until 2020B.
2	**Resolution2019May28_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	**Resolution2019May28_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	**Resolution2019May28_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	**Resolution2019May28_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	**Resolution2019May28_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	**Resolution2019July10_1:** The Council resolves to adopt as a provisional FY29/20 budget the proposed draft budget, […].
2	**Resolution2019July10_2:** The Council resolves to form a Finance Committee.

31 July 2019

#	Resolution
1	**Resolution2019July31_1:** The Council resolves to not issue a Call for Large Programs for the 2020A observing semester.

14 October 2019

#	Resolution
1	**Resolution2019Oct14_1:** The Council resolves to establish a Finance Working Group, composed of: - Karl Glazebrook (Chair, Swin) - Simon Driver (UWA) - Matthew Colless (ANU) - Chris Tinney (UNSW) - Joanne Thomson (external, AAL) The Finance Working Group will: 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	**Resolution2019Nov20_1:** The Council accepted the proposed Terms of Reference for the AAT Finance Committee, meeting schedule and membership policy.
2	**Resolution2019Nov20_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	**Resolution2019Nov20_3:** The proposed 2019/2020 AAT budget was accepted.
4	**Resolution2019Nov20_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	**Resolution2019Nov20_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	**Resolution2019Nov20_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	**Resolution2020Feb4_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	**Resolution2020May25_1:** The AAT Council accepted updated Terms of Reference for the Finance Committee and approved Mark Casali's appointment to the Finance Committee.
2	**Resolution2020May25_2:** The AAT Council accepted the AAT 2019/20 financial report to March 2020 and approved the budget for FY2020/21.
3	**Resolution2020May25_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	**Resolution2020May25_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	**Resolution2020May25_5:** The AAT Council approved the appointment of Katie Auchettl and Jesse van de Sande to ATAC, and of Kyler Kuehn and Lara Cullinane to AATUC.
6	**Resolution2020May25_6:** The AAT Council approved the scope and initiation of the AAT Operations Review process, for delivery to the Council by 30 June 2021.

7 September 2020

#	Resolution
1	**Resolution2020Sep7_1:** The AAT Council approves an allocation from the 2020 budget of $145,000 to the Hector project, to offset costs associated with changes to the top-end mounting required by AAT.

1 December 2020

#	Resolution
1	**Resolution2020Dec1_1:** The AAT Council accepted the final, full-year FY2019/20 financial report and quarter 1FY2020/21 financial report.
2	**Resolution2020Dec1_2:** The AAT Council approved the appointment of Daniel Bayliss (international member) and Ned Taylor (Swinburne) to ATAC.

	The AAT Council approved the recommendation that Sarah Martell is appointed to a position of ATAC Chair starting from January 2021 until June 2022.
3	**Resolution2020Dec1_3:** The AAT Council appointed Julia Bryant as Chair and Simon Driver as Deputy Chair of the AAT Council for one-year terms from the end of the 1st Dec 2020 Council meeting.

1 December 2020 (passed via email)

#	Resolution
4	**Resolution2020Dec1_4:** The AAT Council approves AAL to accede as a beneficiary to the OPTICON Consortium Agreement, originally entered into by the Australian Government through the old AAO, and passed to AAL by Australian Ministerial declaration from July 2018.

10 May 2021

#	Resolution
1	**Resolution2021May10_1:** The AAT Council accepted the framework presented at the May 2021 meeting for a new access and funding model for the AAT from July 2022.

9 June 2021

#	Resolution
1	**Resolution2021June9_1:** The AAT Council agreed that the AAT time Scheduler role will be sourced from within the science community and will be remunerated through two director's nights per semester.
2	**Resolution2021June9_2:** The AAT Council agreed to suspend the AATUC on budgetary grounds. This situation will be reviewed by the Council on a regular basis.
3	**Resolution2021June9_3:** The AAT Council accepted the FY20/21 Q3 Quarterly Report.
4	**Resolution2021June9_4:** The AAT Council approved the appointments of Sabine Bellstedt (from Jul 2021) and Thomas Mikal-Evans (from Jan 2022) to ATAC for 3-year terms and Jesse van de Sande as Deputy Chair for FY21/22.

9 June 2021 (passed via email)

#	Resolution
5	**Resolution2021June9_5:** The AAT Council approved the AAT budget for FY2021/22.

19 July 2021 (passed via email)

#	Resolution
6	**Resolution2021July19_1:** The AAT Council authorises AAL (AAT Manager) to sign the OPTICON Consortium Agreement, in order to complete the process of the accession to become beneficiary under the OPTICON grant agreement that replaces previous arrangement with AAO, originally entered into by the Australian Government.

5 October 2021

#	Resolution
1	**Resolution2021Oct5_1:** The Council approves SD as interim Chair of the Finance Committee until the appointment of a new Chairperson at the meeting in November 2021.

5 November 2021

#	Resolution
1	**Resolution2021Nov5_1:** The AAT Council approves implementation of the anonymous review of proposals after completion of the trial.
2	**Resolution2021Nov5_2**: Julia Bryant reappointed as Chair of the AAT Council for a term of 2 years.
3	**Resolution2021Nov5_3:** Michelle Cluver appointed as Deputy Chair of the AAT Council for a term of 2 years.
4	**Resolution2021Nov5_4:** Michelle Cluver appointed as Chair of the Finance Committee, starting from the next but one meeting, for a term of 2 years.
5	**Resolution2021Nov5_5:** Chris Tinney was appointed as a member of the Finance Committee for a term of 2 years.
6	**Resolution2021Nov5_6:** The Council endorse the consortium agreement and agree it will only be brought back to the Council if there are significant changes to the operational structure (minor wording changes do not need to be brought back to the Council).

9 June 2022

#	Resolution
1	**Resolution2022June9_1:** The AAT Council accepts the FY2021/22 Q3 Finance report and the proposed FY2022/23 budget

#	Resolution
2	**Resolution2022June9_2:** The AAT Council accepts the funding […] the NGC Controllers upgrade for Veloce as the first stage of the switch to the ESO NGC controllers for all AAT instruments.

18 July 2022 (passed via email)

#	Resolution
1	**Resolution2022July18_1:** The AAT Council adopts the following policy for the eligibility to apply for shared time: 1 - Partner institutions will be considered "Shared Time Eligible" if: (a) their Partner Allotment of time (after any exchanges with other Partners) is 5n or less in the semester, or; (b) they provide 30% or more of their Base Allotment of time to the Shared Pool. The 30% threshold nights must be split in lunation pro rata with the Base Allotment, (modulo rounding to the nearest integer number of nights), and must total to 30% the Base Allotment (modulo rounding to the nearest integer number of nights). Nights added to the pool above the 30% threshold are not required to match the lunation distribution. 2 - Each proposal requesting Shared Time will be evaluated for eligibility as follows. (i) "Night Contribution number" Calculation: Partners with more than 5n in their base allocation for the semester will have a "Night Contribution number" equal to the number of nights put into the pool in the semester. Other Partners will have a "Night Contribution number" equal to either the number of nights in their base allocation for that semester or 4 nights, whichever is larger. (ii) The "Night Contribution number" of each institution on the proposal that is "Shared Time Eligible" will be summed. Partners that are not "Shared Time Eligible" have a "Night Contribution number" of 0.

28 November 2022

#	Resolution
1	**Resolution2022Nov28_1:** The AAT Council accepts the FY2021/22 Finance report and the FY2022/23 Q1 report.
2	**Resolution2022Nov28_2:** The AAT Council approves the funding of the proposed first two stages of the rectification work […] in FY 2022/23. The funds will be drawn from the AAT account held at AAL.

3	**Resolution2022Nov28_3:** The AAT Council approved the appointment of Andrew Battisti (from Jan 2023) to ATAC for 3-year terms and Jesse van de Sande as the ATAC Chair until the end of his term in Jul 2023.