1. The University of Queensland Senate is the governing body of the University established by the *University of Queensland Act 1998* (the Act)*.*
2. The functions of the University are set out in section 5 of the Act and include to:

* disseminate knowledge and promote scholarship;
* provide education at university standard;
* provide facilities for, and encourage, study and research;
* encourage the advancement and development of knowledge, and its application;
* provide courses of study or instruction (at the levels of achievement the senate considers appropriate) to meet the needs of the community;
* confer higher education awards;
* provide facilities and resources for the wellbeing of the university’s staff, students and other persons undertaking courses at the university; and
* exploit commercially, for the university’s benefit, a facility or resource of the university, including, for example, study, research or knowledge, or the practical application of study, research or knowledge, belonging to the university, whether alone or with someone else.

1. Cabinet noted the intention of the Minister for Education, Training and Employment to recommend to the Governor in Council the appointment of Dr Jim Watterston to the University of Queensland Senate for a term from the date of Governor in Council approval up to and including 31 December 2013.
2. *Attachments*

* Nil.