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AMC meeting steers a steady course

A meeting today has reaffirmed the University of Tasmania's commitment to the Australian Maritime College and its future as the leading institution for maritime training and research in Australia.

Those attending the meeting at the University's Sandy Bay campus included the AMC Principal and the Chairman of the AMC Board; representatives of the Federal Department of Education, Employment & Workplace Relations and the Department of Infrastructure and Transport; Skills Tasmania and the University's Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Chief Operating Officer.

The University and AMC reaffirmed their commitment to integration. The Integration Committee will be reinvigorated to guide this process, and the AMC Board and UTAS Council will meet to resolve issues relating to appropriate governance arrangements.

"I am heartened by the response of those attending and the clear desire of everyone involved to ensure that the AMC continues to play a pivotal role in the Australian and international maritime industries," the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Peter Rathjen, said. "I am hopeful that this meeting will help end the continuing confusion over the AMC's future."

The Chairman of the AMC Board, Dr David Sterrett, said the meeting was "harmonious and productive, which should give staff and students confidence in the college's future".

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