COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday, 30 April 2018
From 12.30 pm to 5.16 pm in the Council Chamber, Level 2, Hunter Building,
Kelburn Campus

PRESENT:
Mr Neil Paviour-Smith (Chancellor)
Ms Robyn Bargh
Professor Grant Guilford (Vice-Chancellor)
Ms Traci Houpapa
Associate Professor Kate Hunter
Dr Carwyn Jones
Mr Alan Judge
Ms Lenihan-Ikin
Dr Farib Sos
Dame Therese Walsh (Pro-Chancellor)
Ms Vicki Faint (Acting Secretary to Council)

APOLOGIES:
Ms Alexandria Mark and Mr John Allen
Ms Caroline Ward (Secretary to Council)

IN ATTENDANCE:
Ms Katherine Edmond, Associate Director, Communications and Marketing
Professor Rawinia Higgins, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Māori and Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Engagement
Mr Simon Johnson, General Counsel
Professor Wendy Larner, Provost
Mr Les Montgomery, Chief Financial Officer
Mr Phil O’Connell, Director, Safety Risk & Assurance
Ms Madeleine Setchell, Director Communications, Marketing and Engagement
Professor Ian Williamson, PVC | Dean Commerce
Mr Stuart Haselden, Director Information Technology

18.53 WELCOME / APOLOGIES

Noted:
1. that the Chancellor welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. that Traci Houpapa advised that she needed to leave the meeting early at 4.45 pm.
3. that Wendy Larner advised that she needed to leave the meeting early at 2.00 pm.
18.54 DECLARATIONS AND DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

Noted:
1. that there were no disclosures of interest by a member of Council, by way of a general notice under the Education Act 1989 Section 175 and the Local Authorities (Members Interests) Act 1968.
2. that the Disclosures of Interests Register was available at all times on the Resource Centre of Board books and circulated with material for all Council meetings.
3. that Dame Therese Walsh asked that the NZX disclosure be deleted.
4. that Ms Houpapa advised that she would email changes to disclosures to Secretary to Council.
5. that the Chancellor reminded Council members to advise the Secretary to Council of any disclosures between meetings.

18.55 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 26 MARCH 2018

Received:
the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 26 March 2018.

Noted:
that there were no matters arising.

Resolved:
that the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 26 March 2018 be approved.

  Paviour-Smith/Sos
  Carried
  180051

18.56 FINANCIAL REPORT TO 28 MARCH 2018

Received:

Noted:
that the report was taken as read.

Resolved:
that the Financial report to 28 March 2018 be noted and approved.

  Paviour-Smith/Hunter
  Carried
  180052

18.57 GRADUATES IN ABSENTIA – DEGREES TO BE GRANTED

Received:
the list of degrees, diplomas and certificates granted on 30 April 2018 (document VUWC 18/42).

Resolved:
1. that Council grants the degrees, diplomas and certificates in this University on those persons listed in document VUWC 18/42 and that their names be entered on the Roll of Graduates on 30 April 2018.
2. that a motion of congratulations to the Graduates in Absentia was recorded.

  Lenihan-Ikin/Guilford
  Carried
  180053
18.58 REPORT FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Received: an oral report from the Chancellor.

Noted: 1 that since the last meeting of Council on 26 March 2018 the Chancellor:
  • Met with the Vice-Chancellor and Secretary to Council
  • Met with Engagement and Communications staff in preparation for graduation
  • Attended the Faculty of Health opening
  • Attended the Staff Excellence Awards
  • Attended the launch by the Minister of Education of the Centres of Asia-Pacific Excellence at Parliament
  • Attended the Finance Committee
  • Met with Professor Kate McGrath, the Vice-Chancellor, Alan Judge regarding VicLink
  • Was a member of the panel for DVCE interviews.

Resolved: that the Chancellor’s report be noted.  
Sos/Bargh  
Carried  
180054

18.59 REPORT FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

Received: a report from the Vice-Chancellor dated 24 April 2018 (document VUWC 18/43).

Noted: 1 that the report was taken as read.

2 that the Vice-Chancellor highlighted the following:

  • a number of recent staff achievements – including:
    o Professor Garth Fletcher from the School of Psychology being awarded the Distinguished Career Award for 2018 by the International Association of Relationship Research
    o Professor Neil Dodgson from the School of Engineering and Computer Science receiving a 2018 Service Award from the United States-based Society for Imaging Science and Technology
    o Associate Professor Lisa Clark from the School of Mathematics and Statistics being awarded the Kalman Prize by the New Zealand Mathematical Society
    o The appointment of Victoria Business School Associate Dean Dr Chris Eichbaum to the Board of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand.

Resolved: that the Vice-Chancellor’s report be noted.  
Paviour-Smith/Walsh  
Carried  
180055
18.60 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Received: the Minutes from the following meetings:

- Finance Committee, 16 April 2018
- Academic Board, 20 March 2018

Noted: Action
that the Provost will bring the draft Scholarship Strategy to Council 28 May 2018.

Resolved: that the Minutes be noted. Paviour-Smith/Judge
Carried 180056

18.61 FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND NEXT MEETING

Received: a Council Paper from the Acting Secretary to Council dated 24 April 2018
listing Forthcoming Events (document VUWC 18/44).

Noted:
1 that the Chancellor encouraged Council members to attend May graduation ceremonies and one of the parades.
2 that the Chancellor encouraged Council members to attend the Victoria Benefactors Circle Event on Wednesday 13 June.
3 that the next meeting of Council will take place on Monday, 28 May 2018 starting at 12.00 noon with a light lunch in the Hunter Common Room. The formal meeting will commence at 12.30 pm in the Hunter Council Chamber.

Resolved: that the Council Paper on Forthcoming Events and the date and details for the next Council meeting on Monday, 28 May 2018 be noted. Paviour-Smith / Sos
Carried 180057

18.62 OTHER BUSINESS

Noted: that the General Counsel briefed Council on obligations under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). LGOIMA applies to University Councils (despite not normally being considered as instruments of Local Government).

Resolved: 1 that the Agendas for meetings of the University Council be posted on the Victoria University website each month.
2 that the Committee Chairs note the LGOIMA requirements.
18.63 RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

Received: a recommendation that certain items be taken with the public excluded (document VUWC 18/45).

Resolved: that the public be excluded from the meeting for the discussion of items 12-29 for the reasons and duration outlined in the recommendation, with the exception of such members of the management team as the Chancellor and the Vice-Chancellor may request to remain for the public excluded part of the agenda as they have knowledge relevant to particular issues to be discussed.

Paviour-Smith/Bargh
Carried
180058