



## COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Friday, 27 July 2018  
From 12.30 pm to 5.00 pm in the Council Chamber, Level 2, Hunter Building,  
Kelburn Campus**

**PRESENT:** Mr Neil Paviour-Smith (Chancellor)  
Professor Grant Guilford (Vice-Chancellor)  
Mr John Allen  
Ms Traci Houpapa  
Associate Professor Kate Hunter  
Dr Carwyn Jones  
Mr Alan Judge  
Ms Isabella Lenihan-Ikin  
Dr Farib Sos  
Dame Therese Walsh (Pro-Chancellor)  
Ms Caroline Ward (Secretary to Council)

**APOLOGIES:** Ms Robyn Bargh  
Ms Alexandria Mark

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Ms Patrica Danver, Executive Director, Development and Foundation  
Mr Brendan Eckert, Senior Faculty Finance Advisor, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences  
Ms Katherine Edmond, Associate Director, Communications and Marketing  
Mr Simon Johnson, General Counsel  
Professor Wendy Lerner, Provost  
Mr Mark Loveard, Chief Operating Officer  
Mr Les Montgomery, Chief Financial Officer  
Mr Phil O'Connell, Director, Safety, Risk & Assurance  
Ms Madeleine Setchell, Director, Communications, Marketing and Engagement  
Professor Jennifer Windsor, Pro Vice-Chancellor and Dean, FHSS

### 18.139 WELCOME / APOLOGIES

- Noted:**
- 1 that the Chancellor welcomed everyone to the meeting, including four members of the public.
  - 2 that apologies from Ms Robyn Bargh and Ms Alexandria Mark had been received.

**Resolved:** that the apologies from Ms Robyn Bargh and Ms Alexandria Mark be sustained.

Sos/Allen  
Carried  
180128

## 18.140 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 the Chancellor reminded Council members to advise the Secretary to Council of any disclosures between meetings.

## 18.141 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 25 JUNE 2018

**Received:** the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 25 June 2018.

**Resolved:** that the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 25 June 2018 be approved.

Hunter/Walsh  
Carried  
180129

## 18.142 FINANCIAL REPORT TO 30 JUNE 2018

**Received:** the Financial Report from the Chief Financial Officer to 30 June 2018 (VUWC 18/95).

**Noted:** that the report was taken as read.

**Resolved:** that the Financial report to 30 June 2018 be noted and approved.

Judge/Lenihan-Ikin  
Carried  
180130

## 18.143 GRADUATES IN ABSENTIA – DEGREES TO BE GRANTED

**Received:** the list of degrees, diplomas and certificates granted on 27 July 2018 (document VUWC 18/96).

- Resolved:**
- 1 that Council grants the degrees, diplomas and certificates in this University on those persons listed in document VUWC 18/96 and that their names be entered on the Roll of Graduates on 27 July 2018.
  - 2 that a motion of congratulations to the Graduates in Absentia was recorded.

Lenihan-Ikin/Hunter  
Carried  
180131

## 18.144 BOARD OF DIRECTORS – US FRIENDS OF VUW – APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR

**Received:** a Council paper from the Executive Director, Development and Foundation dated 23 July 2018 recommending the appointment of Halvar Trodhal to

the Board of Directors of the U.S. Friends of Victoria University of Wellington, Inc. (document VUWC 18/97).

- Noted:**
- 1 that the Chancellor warmly welcomed Ms Danver to her first Council meeting following her recent appointment as Executive Director, Development and Foundation.
  - 2 that the Council paper was taken as read and there were no further comments or questions.

**Resolved:** that Halvar Trodhal be appointed to the Board of Directors of the U.S. Friends of Victoria University of Wellington, Inc. for a term of three years commencing on 28 August 2018.

Guilford/Hunter  
Carried  
180132

18.145

### FOUNDATION TRUSTEE TERMS

**Received:** a Council paper from the Chancellor dated 23 July 2018 regarding Foundation Trustee terms (document VUWC 18/98).

- Noted:**
- 1 that the Council paper was taken as read.
  - 2 that the intention of aligning to one common expiry date of 30 June was to allow the Foundation Board to put in place an annual cycle including a process of self-review, needs and skills assessment and management of trustee retirement and recruitment.
  - 3 that resolution 4 was amended to state *with effect from* as the term adjustment for Steven Fyfe was already in place dating back to 24 August 2017.

- Resolved:**
- 1 that, on 24 February 2019 but subject to resolution 9, Rick Christie be reappointed automatically as a Trustee of the Victoria University of Wellington Foundation under rules 2.4 and 7.2 of the First Schedule to the Trust Deed for a term of office of four months and six days from 24 February 2019 to 30 June 2019.
  - 2 that, on 30 April 2021 but subject to resolution 9, Gerardine Clifford-Lidstone be reappointed automatically as a Trustee of the Victoria University of Wellington Foundation under rules 2.4 and 7.2 of the First Schedule to the Trust Deed for a term of office of two months from 30 April 2021 to 30 June 2021.
  - 3 that, on 22 March 2019 but subject to resolution 9, Bernadette Courtney be reappointed automatically as a Trustee of the Victoria University of Wellington Foundation under rules 2.4 and 7.2 of the First Schedule to the Trust Deed for a term of office of three months and eight days from 22 March 2019 to 30 June 2019.
  - 4 that with effect from 24 August 2017, Steven Fyfe be reappointed automatically as a Trustee of the Victoria University of Wellington Foundation under rules 2.4 and 7.2 of the First Schedule to the Trust Deed for a term of office of 3 years, 10 months and 6 days from 24 August 2017 to 30 June 2021.
  - 5 that, on 30 April 2021 but subject to resolution 9, Rafael Hillbron be reappointed automatically as a Trustee of the Victoria University of Wellington Foundation under rules 2.4 and 7.2 of the First Schedule to the Trust Deed for a term of office of two months from 30 April 2021 to 30 June 2021.

- 6 that, on 19 October 2018 but subject to resolution 9, Brent Manning be reappointed automatically as a Trustee of the Victoria University of Wellington Foundation under rules 2.4 and 7.2 of the First Schedule to the Trust Deed for a term of office of one year, eight months and eleven days from 19 October 2018 to 30 June 2020.
- 7 that, on 30 June 2019 but subject to resolution 9, Leo Lonergan be reappointed automatically as a Trustee of the Victoria University of Wellington Foundation under rules 2.4 and 7.2 of the First Schedule to the Trust Deed for a term of office of two years from 30 June 2019 to 30 June 2021.
- 8 that, on 22 February 2019 but subject to resolution 9, Sir Maarten Wevers be reappointed automatically as a Trustee of the Victoria University of Wellington Foundation under rules 2.4 and 7.2 of the First Schedule to the Trust Deed for a term of office of one year, four months and eight days from 22 February 2019 to 30 June 2020.
- 9 that with the exception of resolution 4 each of the resolutions above are conditional upon the relevant trustee accepting the proposed new term of office.

Hunter/Jones  
Carried  
180133

18.146

#### REPORT FROM THE CHANCELLOR

**Received:** an oral report from the Chancellor.

- Noted:**
- 1 that since the last meeting of Council on 25 June 2018 the Chancellor:
    - met with the Secretary to Council and the Vice-Chancellor
    - chaired the Victoria Honours Committee meeting
    - attended the Finance Committee meeting
    - attended the Global Enterprise Experience Award Ceremony for VUW students at Parliament
    - met with Council Member Farib Sos to discuss the Great Futures programme
    - met with the Vice-Chancellor to discuss initial Your Voice survey results
    - met with Foundation chair Craig Stevens.
  - 2 that the Chancellor encouraged Council members to attend the Great Futures launch on 21 August.
  - 3 that a constructive meeting was held this week with WREDA attended by the Vice-Chancellor and the VUWSA President to discuss and further the concept of 'Wellington as a Student City'.

**Resolved:** that the Chancellor's report be noted.

Hunter/Allen  
Carried  
180134

18.147

#### REPORT FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

**Received:** a report from the Vice-Chancellor dated 23 July 2018 (document VUWC 18/99).

- Noted:**
- 1 that the report was taken as read.
  - 2 that the Vice-Chancellor highlighted the following:

- the launch by the Victoria Business School, the Australia and NZ School of Government and the State Services Commission of the NZ Prime Minister's ANZSOG Chair in Public Sector Ethics and Integrity.
  - the success of Dr Marco Sonzogni who was awarded the Premio Montale Fuori di Casa Literary Critic prize.
  - Associate Professor David O'Donnell's and co-author Lisa Warrington's receipt of the Rob Jordan Prize for their book *Floating Islanders: Pasifika Theatre in Aotearoa*.
- 3 that the Chancellor acknowledged and asked the Vice-Chancellor to convey Council's appreciation through the Senior Leadership Team to all staff for the significant amount of effort and work involved in completing the PBRF process.

**Resolved:** that the Vice-Chancellor's report be noted.

Paviour-Smith/Hunter  
Carried  
180135

## 18.148 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRS

**Received:** the Minutes from the following meetings:

- Finance Committee, 25 June 2018
- Academic Board, 10 July 2018
- Finance Committee, 19 July 2018

**Noted:** that there was robust discussion at the Academic Board meeting on research, research ethics and university values. It was noted Academic Board was considering whether the research policy should include a high level statement about ethical responsibilities in line with the University's values.

**Resolved:** that the Minutes and updates from Committee Chairs be noted.

Sos/Jones  
Carried  
180136

## 18.149 NAME SIMPLIFICATION

**Received:** a Council paper from the Vice-Chancellor dated 23 July 2018 providing an update on Name Simplification (document VUWC 18/100).

- Noted:**
- 1 that the Council paper was taken as read.
  - 2 that the Chancellor acknowledged the four members of the public in attendance and thanked them for attending. He stated that there would not be a final decision on name simplification at today's public-excluded meeting. The item on name simplification in the public-excluded agenda involved the recommendation that Council reach a draft decision but Council also noted that Council may make no decision.
  - 3 that if a draft decision is made by Council, a draft decision paper would be publicly released.
  - 4 that should a draft decision to proceed with a name change be made Council agreed that there should be a further two-week feedback period.

- 5 that it was currently intended that a final decision would be made at the 27  
August Council meeting.
- 6 that given the decision paper will have been released to the public and there  
is significant interest in the issue, the Chancellor confirmed that a final  
decision would be made in the public session of the relevant Council  
meeting.
- 7 that the Vice-Chancellor outlined progress since the last Council meeting  
including research, analysis and engagement relating to the potential name  
simplification.
- 8 that views have been sought directly from key stakeholders who were  
invited but did not attend the stakeholder meeting.
- 9 that alumni and stakeholders who worked as academics at other  
universities had been predominantly supportive due to their specialised  
knowledge and experience of the international university environment.
- 10 that it was confirmed that Council members will continue to receive all  
submissions even if they are received after the most recent deadline.
- 11 that the next step in the process is for Council to consider recommendations  
regarding the name of the University in the public-excluded section of  
today's Council meeting.
- 12 that the General Counsel clarified in response to a Law School question that  
these recommendations are made with the public excluded because, in  
accordance with section 48 of the Local Government Official Information  
and Meetings Act, the public conduct of this matter in the meeting would  
be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason  
for withholding would exist under sections 9(2)(b)(ii) and 9(2)(k) of the  
Official Information Act 1982.

**Resolved:** that the report from the Vice-Chancellor regarding Name Simplification  
be noted.

Paviour-Smith/Hunter  
Carried  
180137

#### 18.150 FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND NEXT MEETING

**Received:** a Council paper from the Secretary to Council dated 23 July 2018 listing  
Forthcoming Events (document VUWC 18/101).

**Noted:** that the next meeting of Council will take place on Monday, 27 August 2018  
starting 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, 27 August 2018 be noted.

Paviour-Smith/Allen  
Carried  
180138

#### 18.151 RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

**Received:** a recommendation that certain items be taken with the public excluded  
(document VUWC 18/102).

**Resolved:** that the public be excluded from the meeting for the discussion of items  
15-27 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/Lenihan-Ikin**

**Carried**

**180139**