



COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday, 1 May 2017
From 12.30 pm to 5.20 pm in the Wharenuī, Te Herenga Waka Marae,
46 Kelburn Parade, Kelburn Campus**

PRESENT: Sir Neville Jordan (Chancellor)
Ms Robyn Bargh
Professor Grant Guilford (Vice-Chancellor)
Ms Jacinta Gulasekharam
Ms Traci Houpapa
Associate Professor Kate Hunter
Dr Carwyn Jones
Ms Alexandria Mark
Mr Neil Paviour-Smith (Pro-Chancellor)
Dr Farib Sos
Mr Roger Taylor
Dame Therese Walsh
Ms Caroline Ward (Secretary to Council)

APOLOGIES: Nil

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Jerry Ball, Project Manager
Mr Stephen Costley, Director Property Services
Ms Annemarie de Castro, Director Human Resources
Ms Katherine Edmond, Associate Director, Communications and Marketing
Professor Rawinia Higgins, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Maori
Mr Simon Johnson, General Counsel
Professor Wendy Lerner, Provost
Mr Mark Loveard, Chief Operating Officer
Mr Wayne Morgan, Chief Financial Officer
Mr Phill O'Connell, Director Safety Risk Assurance
Ms Madeleine Setchell, Director Communications & Marketing
Professor Jennifer Windsor, Pro Vice-Chancellor/Dean FHSS/ Dean Education
Thomas Croskery, Salient reporter

17.59 WHAKATUA AND KARAKIA

Noted: that Council Member Dr Carwyn Jones and Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Maori, Professor Rawinia Higgins led the welcome formalities.

17.60 WELCOME / APOLOGIES

- Noted:**
- 1 that the Chancellor welcomed everyone to the meeting and acknowledged the unifying feeling present on the Marae and in the Wharenui.
 - 2 that Mr Paviour-Smith was acknowledged for his work as Acting Chancellor over the past five weeks.

17.61 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.
 - 3 that the Chancellor reminded Council members to advise the Secretary to Council of any disclosures between meetings. The summary disclosures list was circulated with every public board book and the interests register was on the Resource Centre of Board books.

17.62 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 29 MARCH 2017

Received: the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 29 March 2017.

Resolved: that the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 29 March 2017 be approved.

Houpapa/Hunter
Carried
170047

17.63 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 29 MARCH 2017

Noted: that there were no Matters Arising from the Public minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 29 March 2017.

17.64 FINANCIAL REPORT TO 31 MARCH 2017

Received: the Financial Reports to 31 March 2017 (VUWC 17/37).

Noted: that the March University Group result (excluding the Foundation) was \$3.8m favourable to budget year to date.

Resolved: that the Financial reports to 31 March 2017 be noted and approved.

Bargh/Gulasekharam
Carried
170048

17.65 GRADUATES IN ABSENTIA – DEGREES TO BE GRANTED

Received: the list of degrees, diplomas and certificates granted on 1 May 2017 (document VUWC 17/38).

- Resolved:**
- 1 that Council grants the degrees, diplomas and certificates in this University on those persons listed in document VUWC 17/38 and that their names be entered on the Roll of Graduates on 1 May 2017.
 - 2 that a motion of congratulations to the Graduates in Absentia was recorded.

Mark/Gulasekharam
Carried
170049

17.66 REPORT FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Received: an oral report from the Chancellor.

- Noted:**
- 1 that since the last meeting of Council on 29 March the Chancellor:
 - attended two meetings with the SSC
 - met with the Pro-Chancellor
 - met with the Secretary to Council
 - chaired a Human Resources Committee Teleconference
 - chaired a Human Resources Committee meeting.
 - 2 that the Chancellor was travelling overseas for most of the report period and during this time Mr Paviour-Smith was Acting Chancellor.

Resolved: that the Chancellor's report be noted.

Houpapa/Sos
Carried
170050

17.67 REPORT FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

Received: a report from the Vice-Chancellor dated 26 April 2017 (document VUWC 17/39).

Note:

- 1 that the report from the Vice-Chancellor was taken as read and the following points highlighted:

- Victoria's brand campaign was awarded a 2017 Gold Quill award from the International Association of Business Communication (IABC).
- The formal public announcement of the Faculty of Health.
- Japan has become the first country to approve anti-lymphoma drug Mundesine®, developed through initial research from Victoria's Ferrier Research Institute.
- The success of Dr Rebecca Priestley, recipient of the 2017 Prime Minister's Science Communication Award.
- Professor James Noble from the School of Engineering and Computer Science was made a Fellow of the British Computer Society.

- The Summer Research Scholarships programme involved nearly 400 undergraduates participating in a 10-week research project allowing students to carry the reputation of VUW into various Wellington City workplaces.
- Te Herenga Waka Marae hosted more than 1,000 visitors during the month of March, including 550 people for the tangihanga of Dr Teresia Teaiwa.
- A MoU agreement with the China Academy of Sciences (CAS) was signed at Victoria by Chinese Vice President Professor Zhang Tao.
- The Newsroom initiative was working well with Victoria Academics gaining good exposure from this new venture.

Action:

- 2 that the Vice-Chancellor was asked to convey Council's appreciation to the staff of the Marae for the extraordinary sense of belonging and welcome that they engendered for the tangihanga of Dr Teresia Teaiwa.

Action:

- 3 that the Chancellor write to Dr Priestley on behalf of Council congratulating her on the Prime Minister's Award.

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

Houpapa/Sos
Carried
170051

17.68

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Received: reports from Committee Chairs noting that the minutes from the following meetings had been circulated:

- Finance Committee, 10 April 2017
- Academic Board Minutes, 11 April 2017
- Academic Boar Report (VUWC 17/40).

Resolved: that the reports from Committee Chairs be noted.

Sos/Houpapa
Carried
170052

17.69

FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND NEXT MEETING

Received: a Council Paper from the Secretary to Council dated 26 April 2017 listing Forthcoming Events (document VUWC 17/41).

Noted: that the next meeting of Council will take place on Monday, 29 May 2017 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, 29 May 2017 be noted.

Hunter/Mark
Carried
170053

17.70 ENTRIES IN THE SEAL REGISTER

Received: a Council Paper from the Secretary to Council dated 26 April 2017 regarding Entries in the Seal Register for the period 26 October 2016 to 26 April 2017 (document VUWC 17/42).

Resolved: that the Council Paper confirming that there have been no entries in the Seal Register for the period 26 October 2016 to 26 April 2017 be noted.

Paviour-Smith/Bargh
Carried
170054

17.71 RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

Received: a recommendation that certain items be taken with the public excluded (document VUWC 17/43).

Resolved: that the public be excluded from the meeting for the discussion of items 13-30 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.

Walsh/Houpapa
Carried
170055