PRESENT: Mr Neil Paviour-Smith (Chancellor)
Professor Grant Guilford (Vice- Chancellor)
Mr John Allen
Ms Robyn Bargh
Associate Professor Kate Hunter
Dr Carwyn Jones
Mr Alan Judge
Ms Alexandria Mark
Dr Farib Sos
Dame Therese Walsh (Pro-Chancellor)
Ms Caroline Ward (Secretary to Council)

APOLOGIES: Ms Isabella Lenihan-Ikin
Ms Traci Houpapa

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms Katherine Edmond, Associate Director, Communications and Marketing
Professor Rawinia Higgins, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Maori and acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Engagement
Dame Winnie Laban, Assistant Vice-Chancellor Pasifika
Professor Wendy Larner, 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

18.113 WELCOME / APOLOGIES

Noted: 1 that the Chancellor welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2 that apologies from Ms Isabella Lenihan-Ikin and Ms Traci Houpapa had been received.

Resolved: that the apologies from Ms Traci Houpapa and Ms Lenihan-Ikin be sustained.

Allen/Hunter
Carried
180105
18.114 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.

18.115 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 28 MAY 2018

Received: the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 28 May 2018.

Resolved: that the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 28 May 2018 be approved.

Sos/Judge
Carried
180106

18.116 FINANCIAL REPORT TO 31 MAY 2018

Received: the Financial Report from the Chief Financial Officer to 31 May 2018 (VUWC 18/78).

Noted: that the report was taken as read.

Resolved: that the Financial report to 31 May 2018 be noted and approved.

Mark/Bargh
Carried
180107

18.117 GRADUATES IN ABSENTIA – DEGREES TO BE GRANTED

Received: the list of degrees, diplomas and certificates granted on 25 June 2018 (document VUWC 18/79).

Resolved: 1 that Council grants the degrees, diplomas and certificates in this University on those persons listed in document VUWC 18/79 and that their names be entered on the Roll of Graduates on 25 June 2018.
2 that a motion of congratulations to the Graduates in Absentia was recorded.

Mark/Sos
Carried
180108

18.118 VICTORIA HONOURS’ COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Received: 1 a Council Paper from the Chancellor dated 11 June 2018 recommending the appointment of Ms Jordan Anderson, President of the Post Graduate
Students’ Association, to the Victoria Honours’ Committee (document VUWC 18/80).

2 a Council Paper from the Chancellor dated 19 June 2018 recommending the appointment of Professor Kevin Dew to the Victoria Honours’ Committee (document VUWC 18/93).

Noted:

Action:
that the Secretary to Council was asked to send letters of acknowledgement and appreciation to Associate Professor David Crabbe and Mr Yinka Moses for their service and contribution during their terms on the committee.

Resolved:

1 that Council approve the appointment of Ms Jordan Anderson to the Victoria Honours’ Committee under Clause 4.1(g) of the Terms of Reference for a term of two years from 25 June 2018 to 24 June 2020.

Paviour-Smith/Hunter Carried 180109

2 that Council approve the appointment of Professor Kevin Dew to the Victoria Honours’ Committee under Clause 4.1(e) of the Terms of Reference for a term of four years from 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2022.

Walsh/Jones Carried 180110

18.119 GUARANTEED ENTRY SCORES (GES) for 2019

Received:
a Council Paper from the Provost dated 11 June 2018 regarding Guaranteed Entry Scores (GES) for admission of domestic undergraduate students in 2019 (document VUWC 18/81).

Noted:

Action:
that the Provost was asked to provide further information on the make-up of the Guaranteed Entry Score, how many potential students get turned away, what support is provided to assist in achieving the GES and where our GES sits in comparison with other NZ universities.

Resolved:

1 that Council confirm the Guaranteed Entry Score remains at 150 for all undergraduate degrees with the exception of Architecture and Design.

2 that Council confirm the Guaranteed Entry Score for the BAS and BBSc qualifications within the Faculty of Architecture and Design remains at 180.

Sos/Mark Carried 180111

18.120 COUNCIL DATES FOR 2019

Received:

Noted:

that the schedule proposes meetings at approximately six-week intervals rather than the current monthly schedule. As a result, the meetings are likely to have a longer timeframe and Council Members were asked to reserve the whole day from 9am until mid-late afternoon.
Resolved: that dates for Council meetings in 2019 be set down and approved as follows:

- 11 February 2019
- 25 March 2019
- 6 May 2019
- 17 June 2019
- 29 July 2019
- 9 September 2019
- 21 October 2019
- 2 December 2019

Paviour-Smith/Bargh
Carried
180112

18.121 REPORT FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Received: an oral report from the Chancellor.

Noted:

1 that since the last meeting of Council on 28 May 2018 the Chancellor:
   • attended a graduation debrief meeting
   • had a dinner meeting with the Vice-Chancellor
   • met with the Secretary to Council by teleconference
   • attended the second TEU Living Wage meeting with Council Member Alan Judge, the Vice-Chancellor and senior leadership
   • attended the Victoria Benefactors circle event
   • presented Tricia Walbridge with a Hunter Fellowship award at the above event
   • attended a concert hosted by Cabbage Tree Vineyard in support of the NZSM
   • met with Wellington City Council CEO Kevin Lavery
   • chaired a Human Resources Committee meeting
   • attended the Audit & Risk Committee meeting
   • attended the Finance Committee meeting
   • attended the Foundation Board of Trustees meeting

2 that the Chancellor highlighted the success of the Victoria Benefactors Circle event which was attended by a significant number of strong supporters of the University. He suggested making this an annual event due to the goodwill it generates.

3 that the event at Cabbage Tree vineyard in support of the NZSM had been a wonderful occasion displaying the talent of our voice students. A letter of appreciation will be sent.

4 that the meeting with representatives of Council, University management, the Living Wage Movement Aotearoa New Zealand and the Tertiary Education Union had showed clear alignment between the values of Victoria University and those of the Living Wage Campaign and there will be ongoing dialogue.

Resolved: that the Chancellor’s report be noted.

Sos/Judge
Carried
180113
18.122 REPORT FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

Received: a report from the Vice-Chancellor dated 19 June 2018 (document VUWC 18/83).

Noted: 1 that the report was taken as read.
2 that the Vice-Chancellor highlighted the following:
   - renowned United States legal philosopher Professor Martha C. Nussbaum will be visiting as the 2018 Borrin Fellow.
   - awards in the creative arts space including:
     o a Tui (New Zealand Music award) for Best Jazz Album of the year to alumnus Umar Zakaria.
     o Ockham New Zealand Book Awards to Pip Adam for Best Fiction, Hannah Mettner for the Best First Book of Poetry, and Annaleese Jochems for the Best First Book Award for Fiction.
   - Sara Pivac Alexander from the School of Linguistics and Applied Language Studies received the New Zealand Sign Language (NZSL) in the Media Award at Deaf Aotearoa’s NZSL Awards.
3 that the Chancellor acknowledged the success of a Victoria University-led team of researchers in receiving a $4.78 million Health Research Council grant to assess the effectiveness of New Zealand’s primary health care system, this following on from other successes in obtaining research grants.

Resolved: that the Vice-Chancellor’s report be noted. Paviour-Smith/Sos
Carried 180114

18.123 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Received: the Minutes from the following meetings:
   - Academic Board, 29 May 2018
   - Audit & Risk Committee, 18 June 2018

Noted: that Council requested that a report on key matters from the Academic Board be provided and that confidential items be reported on in the confidential committee reports session.

Resolved: that the Minutes and updates from Committee Chairs be noted. Bargh/Mark
Carried 180115

18.124 NAME SIMPLIFICATION

Received: a Council paper from the Vice-Chancellor dated 19 June 2018 providing a progress report on potential Name Simplification (document VUWC 18/84).

Noted: 1 that the Council paper was taken as read.
2 that the consultation phase continues with the Vice-Chancellor responding directly to the submissions. Work is underway to develop a list of the key issues and develop a report on the main themes.
that the Chancellor urged management to allow sufficient time to ensure thoroughness of the consultation process and to ensure that we have listened and taken into account the view of all interested parties.

that it was the Vice-Chancellor’s understanding that the Minister has the power under the Education Act to gazette a recommendation from Council should the decision be made to simplify the name.

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

Paviour-Smith/Bargh
Carried
180116

18.125 QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY HONOURS

Received: a Council paper from the Secretary to Council dated 11 June 2018 detailing the list of graduates, friends and associates of the University who received awards in the 2018 Queen’s Birthday Honours (document VUWC 18/85).

Noted: that Council especially acknowledged the Damehood bestowed on The Hon Luamanavao Dame Winnie Laban, Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Pasifika).

Resolved: that Council conveys its congratulations to all Victoria University of Wellington graduates, friends and associates honoured in the 2018 Queen’s Birthday Honours.

Paviour-Smith/Bargh
Carried
180117

18.126 FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND NEXT MEETING

Received: a Council paper from the Secretary to Council dated 11 June 2018 listing Forthcoming Events (document VUWC 18/86).

Noted: that the next meeting of Council will take place on Friday, 27 July 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, 27 July 2018 be noted.

Mark/Judge
Carried
180118

18.127 OTHER BUSINESS

Noted: 1 that Council Members John Allen, Alan Judge and Farib Sos had attended the recent Tertiary Education Commission Sector TEI Governance briefing held last week.

2 that the briefing concentrated on urgency for change and the need to move quickly and be bold in the sector!
18.128 RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

Received: a recommendation that certain items be taken with the public excluded (document VUWC 18/87).

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/Walsh
Carried
180119