



COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday, 26 November 2018
from 12.30 pm to 5.45 pm in the Hunter Council Chamber,
Kelburn Campus**

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

APOLOGIES: Nil

IN ATTENDANCE: Dr Lucy Baragwanath, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Engagement
Ms Katherine Edmond, Associate Director, Communications, Marketing & Engagement
Professor Mark Hickford, Pro Vice-Chancellor and Dean of Law
Professor Margaret Hyland, Vice-Provost, Research
Ms Julia Innocente-Jones, Assistant Vice-Chancellor, International
Mr Simon Johnson, General Council
Ms Maria Jones, Acting Director, Communications, Marketing and Engagement
Professor Wendy Lerner, Provost
Mr Mark Loveard, Chief Operating Officer
Mr Hugo Lawrence, student elect
Mr Les Montgomery, Chief Financial Officer
Ms Marianna Nicolaou, Associate Director, Financial Operations

18.236

WELCOME / APOLOGIES

- Noted:**
- 1 that the Chancellor welcomed everyone to the meeting. He especially acknowledged Hugo Lawrence who takes up his two year appointment on 1 January 2019.
 - 2 that departing student Council Member Alexandria Mark was recognised and thanked for her contribution over two years bringing both a student perspective and recently graduated/employed perspective. The Chancellor also noted her strong advocacy for issues relevant to the rainbow community on campus.

3 that there were no apologies.

18.237 DECLARATIONS AND DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

- Noted:**
- 1 that there were no disclosures of interest by members 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.
 - 4 that it was requested that any Council members who have family members studying at the University advise the Secretary to Council so this can be listed in the disclosures register.

18.238 COUNCIL MINUTES, MEETING HELD ON 29 OCTOBER 2018

Received: the public Minutes of the meeting of Council held on 29 October 2018.

Noted: that it was requested that the spelling of Ngāi Tauira be corrected under minute 18.22.

Resolved: that as amended the Minutes of the meeting of Council held on 29 October 2018 be approved.

Paviour-Smith/Hunter
Carried
180215

18.239 ELECTION OF CHANCELLOR AND PRO-CHANCELLOR - 2019

Received: a Council Paper from the Secretary to Council dated 21 November 2018 regarding the election of the Chancellor and Pro-Chancellor for 2019 (document VUWC 18/153).

Noted: that by the due date and time of 9.00 am on 21 November 2018 there was one nomination for Chancellor and one nomination for Pro-Chancellor.

- Resolved:**
- 1 that Mr Neil Paviour-Smith be declared duly elected unopposed to the office of Chancellor for the period from 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019.
 - 2 that Dame Therese Walsh be declared duly elected unopposed to the office of Pro-Chancellor for the period from 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019.

Houpapa/Sos
Carried
180216

18.240 REPORT FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Received: an oral report from the Chancellor.

Noted: 1 that since the last meeting of Council on 29 October the Chancellor:

- chaired the Audit & Risk Committee
- attended the Finance Committee meeting
- met with the Vice-Chancellor and the Secretary to Council
- attended the 95th anniversary of the Proclamation of Turkey celebration
- met with Patricia Danver, Executive Director, Development and Foundation
- attended the 2018 Sir Frank Holmes Memorial Lecture in Policy studies
- met with the Vice-Chancellor, General Counsel and the University's external legal providers
- attended the Institute of Directors annual Wellington dinner
- met with Hugo Lawrence, recently appointed student member of Council (for a term from 1.1.19 to 31.12.20)
- attended the Medical Research Institute of New Zealand 17th Anniversary event.

Resolved: that the Chancellor's report be noted.

**Mark/Judge
Carried
180217**

18.241

REPORT FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

Received: a report from the Vice-Chancellor dated 20 November 2018 (document VUWC 18/154).

- Noted:**
- 1 that the report was taken as read.
 - 2 that the Vice-Chancellor highlighted the following:
 - the success of University researchers in external funding rounds and awards throughout 2018 including 22 University-led projects receiving more than \$14.5 million in the 2018 Marsden Fund round;
 - the award of four prestigious Rutherford Foundation New Zealand Postdoctoral Fellowships and four staff being made Fellows of the Royal Society Te Apārangi, including Professor Susy Frankel, the first staff member from the University's Faculty of Law to achieve this distinction;
 - that nominations are now open until 1 February for the 2019 Distinguished Alumni Awards;
 - the award of two Green Gown Awards which recognise sustainability best practice across the Australasian tertiary education sector. Winning projects were Sustainability Week, which took out the 'student engagement' category, and the Victoria Plus programme, winner in the 'benefiting society' category.
 - 3 that the Chancellor asked the Vice-Chancellor to convey the Council's congratulations to all concerned in the above successes.

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

**Paviour-Smith/Walsh
Carried
180218**

18.242

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP FOR 2019

Received: a Council Paper from the Chancellor dated 20 November 2018 regarding proposed Committee membership for 2019 (document VUWC 18/155).

Noted: 1 that following consultation with Council Members and with certainty around Council membership for 2019 the following Committee membership and Chairs were recommended:

Finance Committee

Mr Alan Judge – Chair
Professor Grant Guilford
Dr Carwyn Jones
Ms Isabella Lenihan-Ikin
Mr Neil Paviour-Smith
Dame Therese Walsh

*Audit and Risk Committee**

Mr John Allen - Chair
Ms Traci Houppapa
Associate Professor Kate Hunter
Mr Hugo Lawrence
Mr Neil Paviour-Smith
Dr Farib Sos
Dame Therese Walsh

**Professor Grant Guilford (the VC is not an official member but will attend ARC meetings as required).*

Victoria Honours Committee

Mr Neil Paviour-Smith – Chair
Professor Grant Guilford
Ms Robyn Bargh
Dame Therese Walsh

Te Aka Matua Committee

Ms Robyn Bargh – Chair
Professor Grant Guilford
Dr Carwyn Jones
Mr Neil Paviour-Smith
Dame Therese Walsh

Human Resources Committee

Mr Neil Paviour-Smith – Chair
Mr John Allen
Dame Therese Walsh

2 that due to workload and other commitments Ms Houppapa had agreed to relinquish the Audit & Risk Committee Chairmanship but remain a member of the Committee. Mr Allen had agreed to take on the role of Chair.

Resolved: that the proposed Committee membership for 2019 as detailed above be approved.

Houppapa/Mark
Carried
180219

18.243

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Received:

the Minutes from the following meetings:

- Audit & Risk Committee, 12 November 2018
- Academic Board report, 13 November 2018
- Finance Committee, 19 November 2018

Noted:

- 1 that Council was briefed on the University's piloting of micro-credentials following ratification of a micro-credentials policy by Academic Board. The initial pilot is an online, extracurricular course in Digital Fluency, which enables students to develop the digital skills needed in today's employment market.
- 2 that consultation on the Treaty of Waitangi Statute has closed and following SLT sign-off will return to Council early in 2019 for approval.

Resolved:

that the Minutes and reports from Committee Chairs be noted.

Paviour-Smith/Bargh

Carried

180220

18.244

NAME CHANGE UPDATE

Received:

- 1 an oral report from the Vice-Chancellor providing an update on the name change.
- 2 a letter from the Minister of Education dated 6 November 2018 to the Vice-Chancellor.

Noted:

that the letter from the Minister advised that a decision on the Council's recommendation to change its name to *University of Wellington* and the adoption of the Māori name *Te Herenga Waka*, is expected to be made in December.

Resolved:

that the oral report from the Vice-Chancellor and the letter from the Minister of Education be noted.

Hunter/Allen

Carried

180221

18.245

FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND NEXT MEETING

Received:

a Council Paper from the Secretary to Council dated 20 November 2018 listing Forthcoming Events (document VUWC 18/156).

Noted:

- 1 that the next meeting of Council will take place on Monday, 11 February 2019 at 9.00 am (venue to be confirmed).
- 2 that the Council Chamber will undergo further restoration until 31 May 2019 and alternative venues for Council meetings during this time are being arranged.
- 3 that the Chancellor thanked those Council members who had confirmed their attendance at December graduation ceremonies.

Resolved:

that the Council Paper on Forthcoming Events and the date and details of the next Council meeting on Monday, 11 February 2019 be noted.

Paviour-Smith/Mark

Carried
180222

18.246 FINANCIAL REPORT TO 31 OCTOBER 2018

Received: the Financial Report to 31 October 2018 (document VUWC 18/157).

Resolved: that the Financial Report to 31 October 2018 be noted and approved.

Judge/Jones
Carried
180223

18.247 GRADUATES IN ABSENTIA

Received: the list of degrees, diplomas and certificates granted on 26 November 2018 (document VUWC 18/158).

Resolved:

- 1 that Council grants the degrees, diplomas and certificates in this University on those persons listed in document VUWC 18/158 and that their names be entered on the Roll of Graduates on 26 November 2018.
- 2 that a motion of congratulations to the Graduates in Absentia was recorded.

Mark/Lenihan-Ikin
Carried
180224

18.248 RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

Received: a recommendation that certain items be taken with the public excluded (document VUWC 18/159).

Resolved: that the public be excluded from the meeting for the discussion of items 14-30 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.

Paviour-Smith/Houpapa
Carried
180225