



COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday, 30 March 2015
from 1.30 pm to 5.20 pm in the Wharenuī, Te Herenga Waka Marae, Kelburn Campus**

- PRESENT:**
- Sir Neville Jordan (Chancellor)
 - Emeritus Professor Peter Walls (Pro Chancellor)
 - Professor Grant Guilford (Vice-Chancellor)
 - Ms Stella Blake-Kelly
 - Professor Charles Daugherty
 - Mr Charles Finny
 - Ms Victoria Heine
 - Associate Professor Dolores Janiewski
 - Mr Ian McKinnon
 - Mr Graeme Mitchell
 - Professor Paul Morris
 - Dr Matthew Palmer QC
 - Mr Neil Paviour-Smith
 - Ms Brenda Pilott
 - Dr Theresa Sawicka
 - Mr John Selby
 - Ms Helen Sutch
 - Mr Roger Taylor
 - Mr Rick Zwaan (VUWSA President)
 - Ms Caroline Ward, Secretary to Council
- APOLOGIES:** Nil
- IN ATTENDANCE:**
- Ms Annemarie de Castro, Director Human Resources
 - Ms Te Ripowai Higgins, Taurima, Te Herenga Waka Marae
 - Associate Professor Allison Kirkman Vice-Provost (Academic & Equity)
 - Professor Kate McGrath, Vice-Provost (Research)
 - Mr Simon Johnson, General Counsel
 - Ms Maria Jones, Associate Director, Communications and Marketing
 - Professor Emeritus Barrie Macdonald, Interim Provost
 - Mr Jim Mercer, Group Financial Controller
 - Mr Wayne Morgan, Chief Financial Officer
 - Mr Graeme Nahkies, BoardWorks International
 - Ms Madeleine Setchell, Director, Communications and Marketing
 - Mr Andrew Simpson, Chief Operating Officer
 - Professor Jennifer Windsor, PVC/Dean Humanities & Social Sciences, PVC Education

15.40 POWHIRI

Noted: that Members of Council and the Senior Leadership team were welcomed onto the Marae by Professor Piri Sciascia and Ms Te Ripowai Higgins.

15.41 KARAKIA

Noted: that Professor Piri Sciascia, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Maori) led a Karakia in the Wharenui at the commencement of the meeting.

15.42 CHANCELLOR WELCOME / ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Noted:

- 1 that the Chancellor acknowledged Professor Sciascia's words of welcome and thanked Taurima, Te Ripowai Higgins for making the Marae available to Council today. It was a historic occasion being the first time Council has held its meeting on the Marae. Acknowledgement was made of the wharenui and all that it represents. The Chancellor closed with the words E te whare, e tu, tu, tu tonu – Oh house, may you continue to stand.
- 2 that there were no apologies.

15.43 DECLARATIONS AND DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

Noted: 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.

15.44 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 23 FEBRUARY 2015

Received: the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held 23 February 2015 (document VUWC 15/25).

Resolved: that the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 23 February 2015 be approved.

Finny/Heine
Carried
150036

15.45 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 23 FEBRUARY 2015

Received: the Matters Arising (not covered by Agenda items) from the Meeting of Council held on 23 February 2015.

Noted:

- 1 that the inaugural meeting for the Quality Assurance and Equity Committee will be held on 16 April 2015 at 3.00 pm.
- 2 that the Terms of Reference for all Committees are under review aiming for approval at the 20 April meeting of Council.

Resolved: that the Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 23 February 2015 be noted.

Selby/Sawicka
Carried
150037

15.46 REPORT FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Received: an oral report from the Chancellor.

Noted:

- 1 that the Chancellor, Pro-Chancellor and Professor Bob Buckle had met recently with Mayor Celia Wade-Brown, City Councillor Simon Marsh and other WCC officials.
- 2 that an infographic was prepared to support the above meeting with a key message aimed at reinforcing Victoria's contribution to the regional economy of at least \$1 billion per annum.
- 3 that a request to meet with MP Grant Robertson had been made.
- 4 that the Chancellor requested that Council members attend as many of the six May Graduation ceremonies as possible. The Secretary to Council will co-ordinate a schedule of attendance.
- 5 that the Chancellor had met with a delegation from the China University of Mining and Technology.
- 6 that there had been a positive response via Facebook (229 likes and 8 comments) to a photograph of the Chancellor reading 'Salient' in Vic Books in the Hub.
- 7 that the month had included a very good series of Committee meetings and that as mentioned under Matters Arising Terms of Reference are under review.
- 8 that the work by all involved on the Annual report was commended, with particular appreciation expressed for the oversight of the former Chancellor, Mr McKinnon.

Resolved: that the Chancellor's Report be noted.

McKinnon/Daugherty
Carried
150038

15.47 REPORT FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

Received: an oral report from the Vice-Chancellor covering the period since the last meeting of Council on 23 February 2015.

Noted:

- 1 that the previous report (effectively a Vic News highlights update) had been dispensed with and that the Public report would now cover a brief environment scan plus any recent topical issues.
- 2 that the TEC's 2013 summary of the sector shows the component parts as follows:
 - 8 Universities
 - 18 Polytechnics or Institutes of Technology
 - 13 Industry Training Organisations
 - 700 Private Training Enterprises in the Tertiary Sector.The mix of provision included:
 - 28% of students are involved in social or cultural study
 - 15% in commerce
 - 14% physics and natural sciences
 - 6% Engineering.
- 3 that there was encouragement to lift the number of engineering and science students.

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

Sutch/Morris
Carried
150039

15.48 **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Received: oral reports from Committee Chairs supported by minutes from the meetings held as follows:

- Finance Committee, 2/3/15
- Capital Expenditure Committee, 2/3/15
- Te Aka Matua Committee, 9/3/15
- Audit & Risk Committee, 16/3/15
- Governance Committee, 18/3/15

Noted: 1 that nothing further was reported by Committee Chairs.
2 that Ms Janiewski was omitted from the Te Aka Matua Committee attendee list. The Secretary to Council will have the record amended by the Secretary to the Te Aka Matua Committee.

Resolved: that the minutes from the Committee meetings be noted.

Walls/Pilott
Carried
150040

15.49 **NAMING OF THE IAN MCKINNON ATRIUM**

Received: a memorandum from the Vice-Chancellor dated 17 December 2014 on the naming of the Ian McKinnon atrium at Rutherford House (document VUWC 14/198).

Noted: 1 that the proposal was unanimously approved by all Members of Council by email circulation on 17 December 2014.
2 that the naming was announced at a dinner of appreciation for Mr McKinnon on 19 February 2015.
3 that formal ratification was required for the record.

Resolved: that the naming of the atrium at Rutherford House as the 'Ian McKinnon Atrium' be approved.

Mitchell/Sawicka
Carried
150041

15.50 **FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR 2015**
NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL

Received: a memorandum from the Secretary to Council dated 19 March 2015 (document VUWC 15/26) listing forthcoming events for 2015.

Noted: that the next meeting of Council will take place on Monday, 20 April 2015 starting with a light lunch at 1.00 pm in the Hunter Common Room, followed by the Council Meeting in the Council Chamber at 1.30 pm.

Resolved: that the memorandum from the Secretary to Council on Forthcoming

Events for 2015 and the date of the next Council meeting on 20 April 2015 be noted.

**Taylor/Sawicka
Carried
150042**

15.51

SPEAKER – PROFESSOR PIRI SCIASCIA: DEPUTY VICE-CHANCELLOR (MAORI)

Received:

- 1 a presentation from Professor Sciascia on the draft Toihuarewa Plan.
- 2 a tabled copy of the draft Toihuarewa Plan.

Noted:

- 1 that Dr Matthew Palmer QC provided background on the Treaty of Waitangi from 1840 to today. He asked that Council bear in mind the touchstone that the Treaty now symbolises the healthy relationship between the Crown, Maori and other institutions. Section 1.8.1 of the Education Act puts a duty on Council to acknowledge the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi and these are encapsulated in the University's Treaty statute. It was now critical to translate at a high level how these things are put into practice looking at how we relate, how do we work and do we make things better?
- 2 that Professor Sciascia acknowledged the revitalised Te Aka Matua Committee and the genuine intention to work more closely with Maori. He highlighted the Toihuarewa Plan's five key objectives:
 - to increase iwi/Maori external engagement
 - to progress Maori student participation and success results
 - to Grow Maori/indigenous research excellence
 - to build Maori staff capability
 - to increase the incorporation of Maturanga Maori in research and curriculum design.
- 3 that the Chancellor recorded a vote of thanks to Dr Matthew Palmer for both his suggestion to hold this Council meeting on the Marae today and his introduction to Professor Sciascia's presentation.
- 4 that the Chancellor recorded a vote of thanks to Professor Sciascia for his presentation, acknowledging the special spirit afoot.

Resolved:

that the presentation from Professor Sciascia on the draft Toihuarewa Plan be noted.

**Jordan/Walls
Carried
150043**

15.52

RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

Received:

a recommendation that certain items be taken with the public excluded (document VUWC 15157).

Resolved:

that the public be excluded from the meeting for the discussion of items 23-27 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.

**Finny/Morris
Carried
150043**