



## COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday, 21 March 2016  
from 1.00 pm to 4.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Level 2, Hunter Building,  
Kelburn Campus**

**PRESENT:** Sir Neville Jordan (Chancellor)  
Mr Neil Paviour-Smith (Pro-Chancellor)  
Professor Maryanne Garry  
Mr Jonathan Gee  
Professor Grant Guilford (Vice-Chancellor)  
Ms Jacinta Gulasekharam  
Associate Professor Kate Hunter  
Dr Farib Sos  
Mr Roger Taylor  
Ms Caroline Ward (Secretary to Council)

**APOLOGIES:** Ms Robyn Bargh  
Dame Patsy Reddy  
Dame Therese Walsh

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr Roger Armstrong, Marketing Recruitment Manager, Victoria International  
Ms Jenny Bentley, Director Campus Services  
Ms Katherine Edmond, Communications Manager  
Mr Simon Johnson, General Counsel  
Professor Wendy Larner, Provost  
Mr Mark Loveard, Chief Operating Officer  
Mr Wayne Morgan, Chief Financial Officer  
Professor Piri Sciascia  
Ms Madeleine Setchell, Director, Communications & Marketing  
Ms Emma Hurley, Salient Co-Editor  
Ms Jane Mulligan, Salient Co-Editor  
Ms Kate Robertson, Salient News Editor

### 16.28 CHANCELLOR WELCOME / APOLOGIES

**Noted:** 1 that the Chancellor welcomed everyone to the meeting.  
2 that apologies had been received from Ms Robyn Bargh, Dame Patsy Reddy and Dame Therese Walsh.

**Resolved:** that the apologies from Ms Robyn Bargh, Dame Patsy Reddy and Dame Therese Walsh be sustained.

Sos/Taylor  
Carried  
160024

**16.29 DECLARATIONS AND DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

**Noted:** that 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.

**16.30 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 22 FEBRUARY 2016**

**Received:** the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 22 February 2016.

**Resolved:** that the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 22 February 2016 be approved.

**Gee/Hunter  
Carried  
160025**

**16.31 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22 FEBRUARY 2016**

**Noted:** that a letter of condolence had been sent to acknowledge the passing of Honorary Doctorate Recipient Dr Noel Barnard.

**16.32 TERMS OF REFERENCE – FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Received:** the proposed Terms of Reference for the Finance Committee (document VUWC 16/17).

**Noted:** that the Finance Committee had considered the revised Terms of Reference at its meeting held on 7 March 2016.

**Resolved:** that the Terms of Reference for the Finance Committee be approved.

**Taylor/Garry  
Carried  
160026**

**16.33 TERMS OF REFERENCE – AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE**

**Received:** the proposed Terms of Reference for the Audit & Risk Committee (document VUWC 16/18).

**Noted:** that the Audit & Risk Committee had considered the revised Terms of Reference and agreed that the revised ToR be recommended to Council for approval.

**Resolved:** that the Terms of Reference for the Audit & Risk Committee be approved.

**Paviour-Smith/Sos  
Carried  
160027**

**16.34 FINANCIAL REPORT TO 31 DECEMBER 2015**

**Received:** the Consolidated Financial Report to 31 December 2015 (document VUWC 16/19).

**Noted:**

- 1 that the consolidated result for the full year is a \$19.1m surplus, \$6.7m favourable to budget.
- 2 that the higher than budgeted surplus is mainly as a result of increased Foundation donations and savings in people costs arising from vacancies.

**Resolved:** **that the Consolidated Financial report to 31 December 2015 be approved.**  
**Taylor/Sos**  
**Carried**  
**160028**

**16.35 GRADUATES IN ABSENTIA – DEGREES TO BE GRANTED**

**Received:** the list of degrees, diplomas and certificates granted on 21 March 2016 (document VUWC 16/20).

**Resolved:**

- 1 **that Council grants the degrees, diplomas and certificates in this University on those persons listed in document VUWC 16/20, and that their names be entered on the Roll of Graduates on 21 March 2016.**
- 2 **that a motion of congratulations to the Graduates in Absentia be recorded.**

**Hunter/Garry**  
**Carried**  
**160029**

**16.36 REPORT FROM THE CHANCELLOR**

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

**Noted:** that since the last Council meeting on 22 February 2016 the Chancellor:

- Met with MP Barbara Kuriger
- Met informally with Foundation Board members
- Presented the opening address to the TEC Tertiary Education Institutions' Council Members' briefing
- Attended a celebration prior to the concert – No Man's Land
- Discussed University matters with Joan Foster of the State Services Commission
- Met with MP Andrew Bayly
- Attended the International Women's Day breakfast at Parliament as a guest of ANZ
- Met with two Wellington Mayoral candidates
- Met with MP Alastair Scott
- Chaired several meetings with TEC on Education2Employment
- Met with the Pro-Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Secretary to Council on University business
- Attended the Ferrier lecture

- Attended functions at Government House in both Auckland and Wellington

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

**Paviour-Smith/Sos  
Carried  
160030**

#### 16.37 REPORT FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

**Received:** a report from the Vice-Chancellor dated 15 March 2016 (document VUWC 16/32).

**Noted:**

- 1 that the report was taken as read.
- 2 that the Academic Quality Agency update was queried and it was confirmed that this was part of an ongoing rolling review process.

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

**Taylor/Hunter  
Carried  
160031**

#### 16.38 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRS

**Received:** Reports from Committee Chairs from the meetings held as follows:

- Finance Committee, 7 March 2016
- Audit & Risk Committee, 14 March 2016

**Resolved:** that the reports from Committee Chairs be noted.

**Garry/Gee  
Carried  
160032**

#### 16.39 FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND NEXT MEETING

**Received:** a Council Paper from the Secretary to Council dated 15 March 2016 listing forthcoming events (document VUJWC 16/21).

**Noted:** that the next meeting of Council will take place on Monday, 18 April 2016 on Te Herenga Waka Marae - starting at 12 noon with a Powhiri, followed by a light lunch in the Wharekai. The meeting will commence at 1.00 pm in the Wharenui Meeting House.

**Resolved:** that the Council Paper on Forthcoming Events and the date and details for the next Council meeting on Monday, 18 April 2016 be noted.

**Sos/Garry  
Carried  
160033**

**16.40 CUAP APPROVALS**

**Received:** a Council paper from the Secretary to the Academic Board dated 15 March 2016 detailing the 2015 Committee of University Academic Programmes (CUAP) approvals summary (document VUWC 16/22).

**Resolved:** that the Council Paper providing summary information on 2015 CUAP approvals be noted.

Paviour-Smith/Sos  
Carried  
160034

**16.41 ANY OTHER BUSINESS  
APPOINTMENT OF VUW FOUNDATION TRUSTEE**

**Received:** a Council paper from the Chancellor dated 20 March 2016 regarding the appointment of a Foundation Trustee (document VUWC 16/33).

**Noted:**

- 1 that Sir David Gascoigne, the Campaign Chair, has been invited to the April Council meeting.
- 2 that in light of the significant number of changes to the Foundation Board of Trustees, the Chancellor requested a summary email providing details of the composition of the Board.

**Action:** the Secretary to Council will circulate by email the names of the current Foundation Board of Trustees members.

**Resolved:** that Ms Bernadette Courtney be appointed as a Trustee of the Victoria University of Wellington Foundation under rule 2.4 of the First Schedule to the Trust Deed for a term of office of three years.

Jordan/Sos  
Carried  
160035

**16.42 RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

**Received:** a recommendation that certain items be taken with the public excluded (document VUWC 16/23).

**Resolved:** that the public be excluded from the meeting for the discussion of items 15-26 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.

Hunter/Taylor  
Carried  
160036