



COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday, 30 May 2016
from 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm in the Hunter Council Chamber, Level 2, Hunter Building,
Kelburn Campus**

PRESENT:

- Sir Neville Jordan (Chancellor)
- Ms Robyn Bargh
- Professor Maryanne Garry (by audio conference)
- Mr Jonathan Gee
- Professor Grant Guilford (Vice-Chancellor)
- Ms Jacinta Gulasekharam
- Associate Professor Kate Hunter
- Mr Neil Paviour-Smith (Pro-Chancellor)
- Dr Farib Sos
- Mr Roger Taylor
- Dame Therese Walsh
- Ms Caroline Ward (Secretary to Council)

IN ATTENDANCE:

- Professor Frazer Allan, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Engagement)
- Ms Janet Colson, Executive Director, Development and Foundation
- Mr Simon Johnson, General Counsel
- Ms Traci Houpapa, future Council Member
- Professor Wendy Larnar, Provost
- Mr Mark Loveard, Chief Operating Officer
- Mr Wayne Morgan, Chief Financial Officer
- Ms Claire Peacock, Writer, Communications & Marketing
- Professor Piri Sciascia, Deputy Vice-Chancellor Māori.
- Ms Madeleine Setchell, Director Communications & Marketing

16.82 CHANCELLOR WELCOME / APOLOGIES

- Noted:**
- 1 that the Chancellor welcomed everyone to the meeting and extended a warm welcome to Ms Traci Houpapa. Traci's letter of appointment to the Council from the Minister was expected very soon so for today's meeting she would be listed as 'in attendance'.
 - 2 that Professor Sciascia welcomed Ms Houpapa in Te Reo and Ms Houpapa responded.
 - 3 that Professor Maryanne Garry was participating by audio conference.
 - 4 that there were no apologies.

16.83 DECLARATIONS AND DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

Noted: that there were no disclosures of interests 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.

16.84 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 18 APRIL 2016

Received: the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 18 April 2016.

Resolved: that the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 18 April 2016 be approved.

Hunter/Sos
Carried
160071

16.85 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 18 APRIL 2016

Noted: that the Te Aka Matua Committee will review the length of term of the two Ngai Tauria students at its meeting to be held on 7 June 2016.

16.86 FINANCIAL REPORT TO 30 APRIL

Received: the Financial Report to 30 April 2016 (document VUWC 16/49).

Noted: that the consolidated result for the period ended 30 April 2016 was a \$8.1m surplus, \$6.3m favourable to budget.

Resolved: that the Financial report to 30 April 2016 be approved.

Taylor/Walsh
Carried
160072

16.87 GRADUATES IN ABSENTIA – DEGREES TO BE GRANTED

Received: the list of degrees, diplomas and certificates granted on 30 May 2016 (document VUWC 16/50).

Resolved:

- 1 that Council grants the degrees, diplomas and certificates in this University on those persons listed in document VUWC 16/50, and that their names be entered on the Roll of Graduates on 30 May 2016.
- 2 that a motion of congratulations to the Graduates in Absentia be recorded.

Gee/Sos
Carried
160073

16.88

REPORT FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Received: an oral report from the Chancellor.

Noted: 1 that the Chancellor recorded a vote of thanks to Dame Therese Walsh for her well received and inspiring address to students at the Board of Everton Hall's Founders Day Celebration.

- 2 that since the last Council meeting on 18 April 2016 the Chancellor:
- Attended the Chancellors' meeting regarding the Productivity Commission report
 - Met with the Chief Operating Officer in relation to the Make or Buy proposal
 - Attended an evaluation meeting for the Emerging Leaders Scholarship panel
 - Chaired several meetings with TEC on engineering Education2Employment
 - Met with the Acting Vice-Chancellor regarding VUW's response to the Productivity Commission report
 - Attended the Foundation Board of Trustees meeting
 - Joined members of the Tertiary Education Union, Victoria representatives and Members of Council for an informal afternoon tea
 - Attended the opening of the ICT Graduate School as guest of honour
 - Welcomed the newly appointed Executive Director, Development and Foundation at a function at the Foundation Chair's home along with Members of Council, Members of the Foundation Board of Trustees and Development Office staff
 - Discussion with the prospective new member of Council who will take up the vacancy created due to Dame Patsy Reddy being appointed to Governor General
 - Hosted an Honorary Doctorate dinner for Kim Workman
 - Presided over six Graduation ceremonies at the Michael Fowler Centre
 - Walked in two Graduation Parades
 - Attended the Te Hui Whakapumau - a celebration for Maori graduands on the Marae
 - Met with the Chancellor of Massey University
 - Met with Foundation Board of Trustees members.

Action: that the Secretary to Council will circulate the University's and VUWSA's submissions to the Productivity Commission regarding New Models of Tertiary Education.

Resolved: 1 **that Council record a vote of thanks to Dame Therese Walsh for her inspiring address to students at the Everton Hall Founders Day celebration.**

2 **that the Chancellor's Report be noted.**

Sos/Gee
 Carried
 160074

16.89 REPORT FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

Received: a report from the Vice-Chancellor dated 20 May 2016 (document VUWC 16/51).

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

- that the ICT graduate school was launched by the Minister for Tertiary Education on 3 May.
- that a large number of research grants had been received.
- that the Classics Museum had received a generous gift of 78 important pottery and glass objects.

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

**Bargh/Walsh
Carried
160075**

16.90 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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

- Academic Board, 19 April 2016 – Minutes and Report.

Noted:

- 1 that the Vice-Chancellor highlighted the 13 proposals submitted to CUAP confirming that of these there would be six, new 180-point masters' degrees.
- 2 that the proposals addressed the University's Treaty of Waitangi commitments better than previously.

Resolved: that the reports from Committee Chairs be noted.

**Gee/Hunter
Carried
160076**

16.91 VUW FOUNDATION ANNUAL REPORT

Received: the 2015 Foundation Annual Report (document VUWC 16/58).

Noted:

- 1 that printed copies of the report are available from the Secretary to Council.
- 2 that the Annual Report had been prepared to reflect the Strategic Plan.
- 3 that the Team was congratulated on a high quality publication.

Resolved: that the 2015 Foundation Annual Report be noted.

**Walsh/Sos
Carried
160077**

16.92 FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND NEXT MEETING

Received: a Council Paper from the Secretary to Council dated 23 May 2016 listing forthcoming events (document VUWC 16/52).

Noted: that the next meeting of Council will take place on Monday, 27 June 2016 starting at 12.30 pm with a light lunch in the Hunter Common Room.

Resolved: that the Council Paper on Forthcoming Events and the date and details for the next Council meeting on Monday, 27 June 2016 be noted.

Paviour-Smith/Hunter
Carried
160078

16.93 ENTRIES IN THE SEAL REGISTER

Received: a Council Paper from the Secretary to Council dated 23 May 2016 regarding the Victoria University of Wellington Seal Register (document VUWC 16/53).

Resolved: that the Council Paper from the Secretary to Council confirming that there have been no entries in the Seal Register for the period 14 October 2015 to 23 May 2016 be noted.

Paviour-Smith/Walsh
Carried
160079

16.94 RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

Received: a recommendation that certain items be taken with the public excluded (document VUWC 16/54).

Resolved: that the public be excluded from the meeting for the discussion of items 14-24 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.

Gulasekharam/Taylor
Carried
160080