Council Minutes Part A (Open Minutes) 26.08.2024 Council Room – Level 2 ClockTower, Princes Street 22, Auckland 4:00pm



PRESENT:	Ms Tarrant (Chair), Professor Freshwater (Vice-Chancellor), Professor Tolmie, Ms Kins Barakat, and Ms Skipper and via Zoom: Ms Arnott-Neenee and Ms Quinn	ser, Mr Mason, Mr McDonald, Mr Paitai, Ms
IN ATTENDANCE:	Mrs Cleland, Professors Linton, and Bloomfield F, Ms Moss, Mr Bluett, Ms Catanach, Mr Brandon and Ms Verschaeren	
COUNCIL BRIEFINGS	The briefings took place prior to the meeting	
COUNCIL ONLY SESSION	Council held a short Council only session during the briefings	
KARAKIA	The meeting started with a karakia.	
1. APOLOGIES	None	
2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS	The attention of Members was drawn to the Conflicts of Interest Policy and the need to disclose any interest in an item on the Agenda of the meeting as set out in Schedule 11, Clause 8 of the Education and Training Act 2020. No disclosures were made.	
3. CONFERMENT OF DEGREES	With the authority of Council, the Chancellor conferred the degrees as per the attached list.	
4. AWARD OF DIPLOMAS	With the authority of Council, the Chancellor awarded the diplomas as per the attached list.	
5. COUNCIL MEETINGS	5.1 Council, Draft Minutes (Part A), 12.06.2024	RESOLVED (Chancellor/Mr Mason): that the Minutes (Part A), 29.04.2024 be taken as read and confirmed , subject to removing Mr Paitai from the list of members present and inserting Mr Mason.

5.2 Council, Draft Minutes (Part A), July e-meeting via email **RESOLVED** (Chancellor/Ms Barakat): that the Minutes (Part A), July 2024 e-meeting be taken as **read** and **confirmed**, subject to the inclusion of Ms Kinser in the list of members present. 5.2 None **6. VICE-CHANCELLOR'S** The Report was taken as read. **RESOLVED** (Chancellor/Professor Tolmie): **REPORT** that the Vice-Chancellor's Report be **noted**. The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Freshwater, presented this item. She highlighted the following: It was pleasing to note that building B201 was continuing to receive recognition and win awards for its sustainable features. It was also thrilling to see many students, potential students, staff and parents engaging in that environment during the recent open day. This morning the Vice-Chancellor met with the University Advisory Group which was reviewing the University funding. They would continue to meet for the entire day including consulting with staff. The Science System Advisory Group had submitted its Draft report to the Prime Minister. However, reports of both Groups would need to be considered together, as both would impact each other. At the recent Vice-Chancellors meeting of Universities New Zealand, Professor Sir Peter Gluckman gave a presentation about his thinking on future Education. At that meeting TEC advised that they were reconsidering the budget of 2025 which created more uncertainty about what was planned. The increased burden of regulation was also discussed with the TEC and UAG. Changes to legislation impacted regulatory matters which increased staff workload and required specialist skillsets while there was no additional funding for tertiary education. • The immigration visa fees had doubled as Immigration New Zealand planned to scale up its automation. The Dean of the new faculty, Professor Gregory, has been appointed and was currently in the process of appointing her team. In order to help the transition on a range of projects, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Operations) and Registrar, Mrs Cleland, had been seconded to support the new faculty transition. • The Vice-Chancellor together with the Chancellor and a number of staff members had attended the funeral of Sir Colin Maiden, former Vice-Chancellor of the University, who passed away on 31.07.2024 at the age of

10. OTHER MATTERS FOR DECISION OR NOTING	10.1 SEAL Since the Council meeting on 29.04.2024 the seal has been applied to the following documents in accordance with the Council resolution of 18.02.1991:	RESOLVED (Chancellor/Mr Mason): that the affixing of the seal to the listed document be noted .
9. CORRESPONDENCE REFERRED BY THE CHANCELLOR	None	
8. SENATE MATTERS	Part A1 Policy and other matters requiring to be considered/received by Council Part A2, 1-7: Policy and other matters requiring Council approval No matters for noting Part C, 1-3: Matters handled under Delegated Authority The Vice-Chancellor introduced this item. She advised Council that the Senate Review, led by Associate Professor Richard Clarke, Dean of Engineering, was ongoing. The Freedom of Expression and Academic Freedom Policy was still being prepared. It would be submitted to Senate in September and to Council in October.	RESOLVED (Chancellor/Vice-Chancellor): that the recommendations in Part A of the Report of Senate, 29.07.2024 be adopted and Part C be noted .
COMMITTEES	7.1.1 Minutes, (Part A), 12.08.2024 7.2 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE COMMITTEE 7.2.1 Minutes, (Part A), 16.08.2024	12.08.2024 be received . RESOLVED (Chancellor/Ms Skipper): that the Capital Expenditure Committee Minutes (Part A 16.08.2024 be received .
7. REPORTS OF COUNCIL	 University, as one of its longest standing Vice-Chancellors. The Vice-Chancellor advised Senate that a special Senate meeting had been called to take place on 27.08.2024 to consider issues and concerns related to the Curriculum Framework Transformation. In the discussion that followed, Council asked if Mr Mark Bentley, Director of Alumni Relations could give a presentation on the planning for the next fundraising campaign. 7.1 FINANCE COMMITTEE 	RESOLVED (Chancellor/Mr McDonald): that the Finance Committee Minutes (Part A)

	 Agreement to Lease - Early Childhood Centre, 12-16 Nicholls Lane, Parnell - PPG Carlaw Ltd (Landlord) & The University of Auckland (Tenant) Deed of Variation of Lease - 128 Anzac Ave & 131A Beach Road, Auckland Central - New Zealand Education Holdings Beach Ltd (Landlord) & The University of Auckland (Tenant) Deed of Renewal of Lease - University of Auckland Law School, 9-11 Eden Crescent, Auckland - The Melanesia Mission Trust Board (Landlord) & The University of Auckland (Tenant) Deed of Rent Review - 19A Princes Street, Auckland - Grange Road Holdings Ltd (Sublandlord) & The University of Auckland (Subtenant) Deed of Renewal and Variation of Lease - Snelgar Building, Waitakere Hospital, Lincoln Road, Henderson, Auckland - Health New Zealand (Landlord) & The University of Auckland (Tenant) 	
	 10.2 EXERCISING SUB-DELEGATION 10.2.1 Memorandum, 09.07.2024 of the Provost regarding the exercise of Sub-Delegation to approve the update of the 2025 MBChB Programme Limitation 10.2.2 2025 FMHS Programme Limitations 	RESOLVED (Chancellor/Ms Quinn): that Council note that the Provost has exercised her Sub-delegation to approve the update of the 2025 MBChB Programme Limitation.
11. ELECTIONS - APPOINTMENTS	11.1 RESIGNATION/CASUAL VACANCY Ms Hala Barakat, elected student representative on Council whose term of office was scheduled to end on 31.10.2025, has resigned from Council with effect on 31.10.2024. This will create a casual vacancy, and another person must be appointed for the remainder of the term by the procedure by which the Council member became a member. The election of a new student representative for the remainder of the term until 31.10.2025 has been scheduled to take place from 12pm on Wednesday 18 September until 12pm Wednesday 2 October 2024. Candidacies are expected until 12pm on Wednesday 11 September 2024.	RESOLVED (Chancellor/Ms Arnott-Neenee): that Council note the resignation of the student representative on Council with effect on 31.10.2024.
12. GENERAL BUSINESS	None	

13. LEAVE OF ABSENCE	(for the meeting of 09.10.2024)
	Ms Arnott-Neenee and Mr McDonald requested leave. Mr Mason would be overseas but would try to attend the meeting in October.

PUBLIC EXCLUSIONS

RESOLVED (Chancellor/Ms Kinser): that the public be excluded from Part B of this meeting.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered:

Item No. 1.1	Council Minutes Part B 12.06.2024	
Item No. 2.1.1	Biological Safety Committee - Membership	
Item No. 2.2.1	University of Auckland Human Participants Ethics Committee – Membership	
Item No. 2.3.1	Finance Committee – Minutes Part B, 12.08.2024	
Item No. 2.3.2	Financial Performance 2024 to 2026	
Item No. 2.3.3	Long-Term Financial Plan	
Item No. 2.4.1	Capital Expenditure Minutes Part B 16.08.2024	
Item No. 2.5	Honours Committee	
Item No. 2.6	Naming Committee	
Item No. 3.1	Letter from the Free Speech Union	
Item No. 4.1	Payment of fees to student and lay Council members	
Item No. 6.1	Council and Committee meeting dates 2025	
Item No. 6.2.1	Council Committee membership for the remainder of 2024	
Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter:		

The protection of the interests mentioned below.

Grounds under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution:

Those in Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 namely:

- i) To protect the privacy of the persons referred to in the recommendations and to maintain the confidentiality of those recommendations;
- ii) To enable the University to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage negotiations; and
- iii) To prevent the disclosure or use of Official Information for improper gain or advantage.

AND THAT Adrienne Cleland, Professors Linton and Bloomfield F, Tim Bluett, Pamela Moss, Helen Cattanach, Anthony Brandon, and Wendy Verschaeren be permitted to remain for this part of the meeting, after the public has been excluded, because of their knowledge of, or need to be briefed about, the matters to be discussed. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matters to be discussed, is relevant to those matters because they relate to aspects of the administration of The University of Auckland for which those persons are responsible.

The meeting closed at 5.50pm

The meeting went into Public Excluded session at 5.00pm

Approved as a true and correct record.

Cecilia Tarrant, Chancellor

Date