

COUNCIL

Te Kaunihera o Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha

Minutes

Date	Wednesday 28 April 2021
Time	5.08 pm
Venue	Council Chamber, Level 6 Matariki
Present	Ms Sue McCormack (Chancellor), Mr Steve Wakefield (Pro-Chancellor), Professor Cheryl de la Rey (Vice-Chancellor), Mr Peter Ballantyne, Ms Liz Bond, Ms Rachael Evans, Ms Kim Fowler, Professor Jack Heinemann, Ms Keiran Horne, Mr Warren Poh, Ms Gillian Simpson, Mr Shayne Te Aika.
Apologies	None
In Attendance	Ms Adela Kardos, General Counsel/Registrar and Council Secretary Professor Ian Wright, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) Mr Keith Longden, Executive Director, Planning, Finance and IT Professor Matthew Turnbull, Deputy Chair, Academic Board Mrs Raewyn Crowther, University Council Coordinator
	Professor Heinemann was welcomed to his first meeting.
REGISTER OF INTEREST	Corrections and updates were to be supplied to the Registrar.
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST	Warren Poh advised he had provided feedback on the MEM course for the CUAP proposal. This was not considered to be a conflict.
MINUTES	The minutes of the meeting held on 31 March 2021 were approved and signed as a correct record.
MATTERS ARISING	There were no matters arising.
FROM THE CHANCELLOR	Chancellor's Meetings The list of Chancellor's meetings was noted.
	Moved
	<u>That:</u> Council note the report on the Chancellor's meetings.
	Carried

Degrees Conferred in Absentia

Ms McCormack advised Council of the schedule of degrees to be awarded in absentia following approval by Council. The names of the graduates would be entered into the public record.

Moved

That: Council approve the degrees awarded in absentia for the public record.

Carried

FROM THE VICE- CHANCELLOR

Monthly Report

The Vice-Chancellor commented on a number of matters:

- Graduation ceremonies had been a highlight of the first term.
- Discovery Day had been well-supported by local schools, boding well for enrolments in 2022.
- The PM's Science Award included a number of UC staff working in collaboration with Auckland University on the COVID response.
- Knowledge Commons was contributing to community engagement.
- The 2020 Annual Report had been reported in the media.
- Māori Futures Academy was to be launched on 30 April.
- Child Well-being Research Institute had been successful in securing a major contract to deliver micro-credentials to 3000 people.
- Times Higher Education rankings on sustainable development goals ranked UC last amongst NZ universities, indicating a need to improve in this area.
- University values were being developed by staff. These would be presented to Council at a workshop.
- Internationalisation – there was a need to diversify offerings to attract students back.
- Environmental sustainability – an internal travel survey of staff was being undertaken.
- External Engagement – a meeting with Peter Bramley, CEO of the CDHB had been positive and this relationship would continue to be developed despite the recent changes announced to DHBs.
- UC had provided input to Christchurch plans, eg Greater Christchurch and ECan, where submissions indicated UC should be seen as a resource, a partner and an anchor institution in Christchurch.
- Research income was the highest in recent years.
- A new Environmental Science degree was likely to be approved with the proposal being very well received.

Moved

That: Council note the Vice-Chancellor's Monthly Report.

Carried

**FROM THE
ACADEMIC BOARD**

Academic Board Report

Professor Matthew Turnbull joined the meeting to present the report of the Academic Board, noting that discussion had centred on a proposal to establish a Graduate School which:

- had been gaining momentum since 2015,
- was designed to provide cohesion for the cohort, with common resourcing, training opportunities, work placements and high level support, to create work-ready graduates,
- existed in all other NZ universities,
- would provide consistency of support and mentorship across all Colleges and disciplines rather than the current variable services,
- would improve the student experience by the provision of organisational efficiencies.

A detailed proposal would be prepared that would consider which students would be included and the inclusion of the good practices that already existed.

Professor Turnbull also reported on the capture of lectures, noting that since 2019, when 73% of lectures were recorded, the figure had now risen to 98%.

Moved

That: Council:

- i. notes the report of the Academic Board;*
- ii. approves the following curricular proposals for submission to CUAP for their noting and approval:*

College of Arts | Te Rāngai Toi Tangata

- 1.1 Changes to the Bachelor of Arts (for approval)*
- 1.2 Changes to the Bachelor of Music (for approval)*

***College of Education, Health and Human Development
| Te Rāngai Ako me te Hauora***

- 1.3 The introduction of a Doctor of Health Sciences (for approval)*
- 1.4 The introduction of:*
 - 1) Postgraduate Diploma in Youth and Community Leadership (for approval)*
 - 2) Postgraduate Certificate in Youth and Community Leadership (for approval)*
- 1.5 The introduction of:*
 - 1) Minors to the Bachelor of Health Sciences (for approval)*
 - 2) Diploma in Health Sciences and a Certificate in Health Sciences (for approval)*

College of Engineering | Te Rāngai Pūkaha

- 1.6 The introduction of a Postgraduate Diploma in Engineering Management (for approval)*
- 1.7 Changes to the Master of Engineering Management (for approval)*
- 1.8 The introduction of a Transportation endorsement to the*

Master of Engineering (for approval)
1.9 The discontinuation of Civil Engineering, Construction Management, Earthquake Engineering and Transportation Engineering as subject endorsements from the Postgraduate Certificate of Engineering (for noting)

Carried

PUBLIC EXCLUDED Moved
MEETING

That: the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

	General Subject Matter	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	
4.0	Minutes of the meeting held on 31 March 2021, held with the public excluded.	These items concern matters that were previously dealt with during proceedings of Council from which the public was excluded.	
5.0	Matters arising from those minutes	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
6.0 6.1	From the Chancellor Emeritus Professor Nomination	To protect the privacy of natural persons.	7(a)
6.2	Council Work Plan	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University. To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(f)(i) 7(h)
7.0 7.1	From the Vice-Chancellor The Vice-Chancellor's verbal report	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
8. 8.1	From the Finance, Planning and Resources Committee Draft minutes FPRC meeting 19 April 2021	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
8.2	Sustainability Report	To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(h)
8.3	UCTF Report for FY2020	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
9.0 9.1	Other Business IT Transformation Project Report	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)
10.0	General Business	To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(f)(i)

and that staff identified by the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor as having knowledge relevant to particular matters to be discussed be permitted to remain at this meeting. This knowledge would be of assistance in relation

to the matters discussed, and was relevant because of their involvement in the development of the reports to Council on these matters.

Carried

**RETURN TO
PUBLIC
MEETING**

Council returned to public meeting at 6.17pm and confirmed for the public record:

- The award of the title of Emeritus Professor to Professor Simon Kemp.

**GENERAL
BUSINESS**

There were no items of General Business.

The meeting ended at 6.17pm.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for 4.00pm on Wednesday 26 May 2021.

SIGNED AS A CORRECT RECORD: _____

DATE: _____