

COUNCIL

Public Meeting Minutes



Te Kaunihera o Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha

DATE	Wednesday 6 July 2022
TIME	11:00am
VENUE	Council Chamber, Level 6, Matariki
PRESENT	Ms Amy Adams (Chancellor), Mr Shayne Te Aika (Pro-Chancellor), Professor Cheryl de la Rey (Vice-Chancellor), Mr Peter Ballantyne, Ms Liz Bond, Mr Pierce Crowley, Mr Roger Gray, Professor Jack Heinemann, Ms Keiran Horne, Mr Warren Poh, Ms Gillian Simpson.
IN ATTENDANCE	Ms Adela Kardos (General Counsel/Registrar & Council Secretary) Professor Catherine Moran (Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)) Professor Ian Wright (Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)) Ms Lelanie Crous (Personal Assistant to the Vice-Chancellor) Ms Maria Gracie (Governance Co-ordinator)
APOLOGIES	No apologies were received.
REGISTER OF INTERESTS	The Chair requested that the Registrar be advised of any amendments to the register of interests. The Chancellor advised that her membership on the Health NZ Establishment Board had been reassigned as a directorship on Te Whatu Ora - Health New Zealand.
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST	No conflicts of interest were reported.
MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING	<u>Moved:</u> <i>That the minutes of the meeting held on 1 June 2022 be accepted as a true and correct record.</i>
MATTERS ARISING	There were no matters arising.

Carried

**FROM THE
CHANCELLOR****Degrees Conferred in Absentia**

The Chancellor advised Council of the schedule of degrees to be awarded in absentia. 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****Vice-Chancellor's Monthly Report**

Professor Cheryl de la Rey highlighted the following items and updates:

- Covid and seasonal influenza were impacting staff absences.
- The University would host a student recruitment information evening on campus in the coming week.
- UC was the sponsor of the Education Category in the 2022 Matariki Awards. The recipient was Mr Marcus Akuhata-Brown (Ngāti Porou, Te Aitanga-a-Māhaki, Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāi Tahu).
- UC had slipped in the latest QS World University rankings, as had most other NZ universities. Enhancements were being made across the University, but they could not be rapidly implemented to maintain UC's current QS ranking or promote a higher placing. UC's approach to address this issue would be shared at the Council Strategy Day.

Noted in discussion

- The closure of borders had impacted the perception of international students for studying abroad. There was still ambivalence around whether NZ would close its borders again which placed UC in a precarious position until a definitive statement was made by the Government.
- The Hon. Chris Hipkins maintains his portfolio as the Minister of Education and responsible for Tertiary Education.

Moved:

That Council note the Vice-Chancellor's monthly report.

Carried

ACADEMIC BOARD**Academic Board Report**

Professor Matthew Turnbull joined the meeting via Zoom and spoke to the report.

Reported

- UC was looking to introduce a Doctor of Philosophy in Criminal Justice which would provide a comprehensive study pathway for students enrolled in the Criminal Justice programmes.

- In response to the query raised by Council at its May meeting regarding UC sustainability goals and sustainability in Engineering, advice was received that a new Sustainability Programme Board had been established to include various members of the UC community to address and advise on specific projects in Strategy Blocks. The Faculty of Engineering - Industry Engagement Manager (a member on the Board) would oversee connections between the Faculty and industry and place a sustainability lens over the work undertaken with the Faculty.

Noted in discussion

- Council was encouraged by the number of students enrolled in the field of Criminal Justice and was interested in enrolment numbers in the MCJ as a likely indicator of potential transition to the PhD.

Secretary's Note: Professor Turnbull subsequently advised that MCJ enrolments were 19.4 EFTS in 2020, increasing to 20.3 EFTS in 2021, but reducing to 5.6 as at 8 July 2022.

- It was noted that for trans-disciplinary study it was difficult to determine an exact uniformity on entry criteria as Faculties required flexibility to acknowledge a range of entry pathways and exercise judgement with regard to applications.
- Efforts were being made to balance equity at post-graduate level, particularly for Māori and Pasifika study applications.
- A recruitment strategy to target potential post-graduate students was currently being developed.
- Work was being undertaken to establish a Graduate School.

Moved:

That Council:

1. *approve the attached new curricula developments which have been endorsed by the Academic Board and that they be forwarded to CUAP and TEC for approval; and*
2. *note the report of the Academic Board.*

Carried

PUBLIC EXCLUDED MEETING

Moved:

That the public be excluded from the following parts of this meeting, pursuant to section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987:

Item on Public Excluded Agenda	General Subject Matter	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Grounds under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
4.0 4.1	Minutes of the meeting Confirm minutes of the meeting held on 1 June 2022 - held with the public excluded.	These items concern matters that were previously dealt with during proceedings of Council from which the public was excluded.	Refer to previous minutes
5.0	Matters arising	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 Council Strategy Day	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)
6.2	Council Work Plan 2022 - Updated	To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(h)
6.3	Council Meeting Schedule (including Graduation dates) - Updated	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)
6.4 6.4.1 6.4.2	Honours & Appointments Committee - Meeting dated 8 June 2022 - verbal update - Revised Appointments & Elections Statute	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)
7.0	Council Only Time	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)
8.0 8.1	From the Vice-Chancellor Vice-Chancellor's Monthly 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)
9.0 9.1	Health, Safety & Wellbeing (HSW) HSW 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 10.1	Academic Learner Success Plan	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)
10.2	U-Count - High-level Student Experience Survey Results	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)
11.0 11.1	Information Technology Cyber Security Programme Business Case	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)
12.0 12.1	150th Anniversary 150 th Anniversary	To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities. To enable the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of the University.	7(h) 7(f)(i)
13.0 13.1	UC KPIs UC KPIs 2022	To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(h)
14.0 14.1	Digital Screen Campus (DSC) DSC Monthly Written Report	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)

14.2	Academic Programme & Package Timing	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)
		To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(h)
14.3	Partnerships and External Funding Opportunities	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)
		To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(h)
15.0 15.1	Finance 31 May 2022 Monthly Financial 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)
		To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(h)
15.2	30 June 2022 Financial update- verbal	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)
		To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(h)
15.3	2022 Budget Update	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)
		To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(h)
15.4	International Student Fees 2023	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)
		To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(h)
15.5	UC Trusts Funds Annual Report	To enable the University to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	7(h)
		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)
16.0 16.1	Other Plagiarism Committee - Terms of Reference	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)
17.0	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

GENERAL BUSINESS No matters of General Business were raised.

NEXT MEETING The next meeting is scheduled for 11:00am on Wednesday,
3 August 2022 in the Council Chamber.

MEETING CLOSED The public meeting closed at 4.18pm.

SIGNED AS A CORRECT RECORD: _____

DATE: _____