

PRESENT:	Ms Tarrant (Chair), Professor Freshwater (Vice-Chancellor), Dr Prasad, Sir Michael Daniell, Professor Curtin, Ms Newsome, Ms Dawson, Mr Paitai, Ms Quinn, Mr McDonald, Mr Wang , and, remotely via Zoom for Part A: Mrs Dunphy	
IN ATTENDANCE:	Professors Hosking, Morrow, and Metson; Associate Professors Hoskins, and Salesa; Mrs Cleland, Mr Bluett, Ms Moss, Mr Phipps, Mr Brandon and Ms Verschaeren	
KARAKIA	The meeting was opened with a karakia by the Māori representative on Council, Mr Paitai.	
1. APOLOGIES	None	
2. WELCOME	The Chancellor welcomed Mr Robert McDonald, as the new skills-based appointee	
3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS	<p>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.</p> <p>No further disclosures were made.</p>	
4. HONOURS/AWARDS	<p>The Queen’s Birthday Honours</p> <p>The Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor handed a congratulatory letter to Sir Michael Daniell who was made a Knight Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to business, healthcare and governance.</p> <p>Letters would be sent to the other persons with links to the University who were acknowledged in this year’s Queen’s Birthday Honours.</p>	
5. COUNCIL MEETINGS	2.1 Council, Draft Minutes (Part A), 19.04.2021 and 26.05.2021	<p>RESOLVED (Chancellor/Dr Prasad): that the Minutes (Part A), 19.04.2021 be taken as read and confirmed.</p> <p>RESOLVED (Chancellor/Mr Wang): that the Minutes (Part A), 26.05.2021 be taken as read and confirmed.</p>

	<p>2.2 Matters arising from the Minutes (Part A), 19.04.2021 and 26.05.2021 not elsewhere on the Agenda.</p> <p>None...</p>	
<p>6. VICE-CHANCELLOR'S REPORT</p>	<p>The report was taken as read.</p> <p>The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Freshwater made the following comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The University had significant presence at the Auckland Future Now Economic Conference. The development of the MedTech Precinct generated interest from the industry and local government. • Following the Auckland University of Technology's review about sexual harassment, the University of Auckland had revisited a number of its own policies. A large-scale communication strategy would be developed for staff and students across the University which would also include training. • Regarding the section on Education and Student Experience, discussions with the Government about the border issues for international students were still ongoing and the international tertiary education outlook remained uncertain. International student work rights and more specifically student partner visas would be tightened which would have an impact on the University. <p>The University had been successful in securing MIQ places for 200 international students. It was also pleasing to see that 39 international PhD students would be coming into the University on critical work visas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The University had received a generous anonymous donation of approximately \$11m; the donor is an alumnus of the University. • The University was currently working through the outcomes of the recent staff survey and, would via town-hall meetings and various communications, shape the action plans linked to Taumata Teitei – Vision 2030 and Strategic Plan 2025. • The newly appointed Provost, Professor Valerie Linton, had spent a week on Campus and would be commencing her role at the University in July. • Dr Erik Lithander had been appointed to the position of Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Strategic Engagement) and would take up his role in November this year. In the interim, Professor John Hosking was acting in that role. • With regard to the QS rankings, it was interesting to note that since 2013, the University had predominantly retained a 81-85 place in the rankings. This was also the case this year and although the University continued to score quite well with regard to academic reputation, there had been a slight decline in the staff-student ratio. However, when also considering the Group of Eight, the University still held seventh position out of nine in the region. 	<p>RESOLVED (Chancellor/Sir Michael Daniell): that the Vice-Chancellor's Report be noted.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Vice-Chancellor had received the report from the external consultant regarding the Equity Review and the University would be moving to implement some changes. One of the changes would be to replace the Equity Leadership Committee by a University Diversity Equity Committee chaired by the Vice-Chancellor which would be reporting to Council. The Auckland University Students' Association (AUSA) Executive and the University Executive Committee have met together and would continue to meet together on a quarterly basis to collaborate on a shared set of initiatives to improve the student experience. <p>In the discussion that followed, Council asked to bring the ranking strategy to a Council briefing session in the near future.</p>	
7. REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES	<p>7.1 AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE</p> <p>7.1.1 Minutes (Part A), 21.05.2021</p>	RESOLVED (Chancellor/Dr Prasad): that the Audit and Risk Committee Minutes, 21.05.2021 be received and noted .
	<p>7.2 FINANCE COMMITTEE</p> <p>7.2.1 Minutes, (Part A), 25.05.2021</p>	RESOLVED (Chancellor/Sir Michael Daniell): that the Finance Committee Minutes (Part A), 25.05.2021 be received .
	<p>7.3 EQUITY LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE</p> <p>7.3.1 Mid-Year Report</p> <p>This item was presented by the Acting Pro Vice-Chancellor (Equity), Ms Toft. She highlighted the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The parental leave support for doctoral students had been further discussed and the Committee had suggested that the support for parental leave should be extended to include all students. With regard to the University of Auckland Statistical Profile 2020, the Report mentioned that in 2020, over a quarter of University students identified as being Māori or as part of an equity group. However, it was pleasing to see that currently this percentage had grown to 31%. <p>With regard to academic senior women percentages, there had been a significant increase at governance level the university had currently a woman Chancellor, Pro-Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Provost, Deputy Vice-Chancellor and three women Pro Vice-Chancellors.</p>	RESOLVED (Chancellor/Professor Curtin): that the Equity Leadership Committee Mid-Year Report be received.

<p>8. SENATE MATTERS</p>	<p>8.1 REPORT OF SENATE, 31.05.2021</p> <p>Part Ai 1: Policy and other matters requiring to be received by Council Part Aii, 1: Policy and other matters requiring Council approval Part B, 1: Matters for noting by Council Part C, 1-2: Matters handled under Delegated Authority</p> <p>This item was presented by the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Education), Associate Professor Kool. She drew Senate’s attention to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of the Elam School of Fine Arts – Further Progress Report as final response to the 2018 Review • Regulation Amendment 2021/906 which amended the General Regulations – Masters degrees. It proposed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To remove the requirement to deposit hard-bound copies of masters theses, research portfolios, dissertations, research projects or research essays in the University Library; and 2. To make the digital copy of masters theses open access. • Regulation Amendment 2021/907 which amended the Enrolment and Programme Regulations and revised the ‘VC’s special Powers’ to be the ‘Provost’s special powers’ and changed the appeal provisions. • The new PhD subject areas of Public Policy for Arts and Design for Creative Arts and Industries. 	<p>RESOLVED (Chancellor/Dr Prasad): that the recommendations in Part A of the Report of Senate, 31.05.2021 be adopted, and Parts B and C be noted</p>
<p>9. CORRESPONDENCE REFERRED BY THE CHANCELLOR</p>	<p>No items received</p>	
<p>10. OTHER MATTERS FOR DECISION OR NOTING</p>	<p>10.1 SEAL</p> <p>Since the Council meeting on 19.04.2021 the seal has been applied to the following document in accordance with the Council resolution of 18.02.1991:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deed of Lease – CLASS Commercials Ltd (Landlord) & The University of Auckland (Tenant) – Unit G01-521 Angelsea Street, Hamilton 	<p>RESOLVED (Chancellor/Mr Wang): that the affixing of the seal to the listed documents be noted.</p>
	<p>10.2 NAMING POLICY</p>	

	<p>10.2.1 Memorandum from the Vice-Chancellor, 07.05.2021 regarding the amendment of the Naming Policy.</p> <p>10.2.2 Naming Policy – amended</p> <p>Council noted that the Naming Committee now also included the Māori representative on Council and asked to add this to the Policy</p>	<p>RESOLVED (Chancellor/Professor Curtin): that the Memorandum of the Vice-Chancellor, 07.05.2021 be received and Council approve the proposed amendment of the Naming Policy, subject to the requested addition.</p>
<p>11. GENERAL BUSINESS</p>	<p>None</p>	
<p>12. LEAVE OF ABSENCE</p>	<p>(for the meeting of 26.07.2021)</p> <p>Cathy Quinn requested leave of absence for this meeting.</p> <p>Rachael Newsome mentioned that she would possibly also not be able to attend.</p>	

PUBLIC EXCLUSIONS

RESOLVED (Chancellor/Ms Quinn): 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), 19.04.2021 & 26.05.2021
Item No. 2.1	The University of Auckland Animal Ethics Committee – annual report and membership report
Item No. 2.2.1	The University of Auckland Human Participants Ethics Committee – membership report
Item No. 2.3.1	Audit and Risk Committee Minutes (Part B), 21.05.2021
Item No. 2.4.1	Finance Committee, Minutes (part B), 25.05.2021
Item No. 2.4.2	Financial Performance and Forecast for 2021
Item No. 2.4.3	Treasury Management, Compliance and Cash Flow Report
Item No. 2.4.4	Long-Term Financial Plan 2021-2030 Progress Report
Item No. 2.5	Honours Committee
Item No. 2.6	Naming Committee
Item No. 4.1	Compensation of Staff Members on Council
Item No. 4.2	University of Auckland Foundation - Appointment by Council
Item No. 4.3	Taumata Teitei Operational Plan
Item No. 4.4	Committee Membership
Item No. 4.5	Estate Strategy

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 Hosking, Metson and Morrow; Associate Professors Hoskins and Salesa; Andrew Phipps, Simon Neale, Tim Bluett, Pamela Moss, Todd Somerville, Bridget Fitzpatrick, 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 6.15pm

The meeting went into Public Excluded session at 4.30pm

Approved as a true and correct record.

Cecilia Tarrant, Chancellor

Date