

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Ms Tarrant (Chair), Professor Freshwater (Vice-Chancellor), Professor Curtin, Dr Prasad, Mrs Dunphy, Mr Wang, Ms Quinn, Mr McDonald, Mr Paitai, Ms Dawson, Mr Mason and Ms Newsome	
<b>IN ATTENDANCE:</b>	Mrs Cleland, Professors Linton, Metson, Kool; Dr Lithander Ms Moss, Mr Bluett, Ms Cattanach, Mr Brandon, and Ms Verschaeren	
<b>COUNCIL BRIEFINGS</b>	These took place prior to the meeting and included a Council only session.	
<b>KARAKIA</b>	The briefings were opened with a Karakia by Professor Curtin.	
<b>1. APOLOGIES</b>	None	
<b>2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS</b>	<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>With regard to item 5.2.2 <b>Domestic Student Fees 2023 and International Student Fees 2024, the Chancellor, Professor Curtin, Ms Dunphy, Ms Quinn and Mr Wang</b> disclosed that they were students and/or had family members who would or might be students in 2023.</p> <p>It was agreed that these declared conflicts would not preclude the members participating in the discussions and votes.</p>	<b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Ms Quinn): That the disclosures be noted and the action taken be endorsed.
<b>3. COUNCIL MEETINGS</b>	3.1. <b>Council, Draft Minutes (Part A), 18.08.2022</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Mr Wang): that the Minutes (Part A), 18.08.2022 be taken as <b>read</b> and <b>confirmed</b> .
	3.2 <b>Matters arising from the Minutes (Part A), 18.08.2022 not elsewhere on the Agenda...</b>	

<p><b>4. VICE-CHANCELLOR'S REPORT</b></p>	<p>The report was taken as read.</p> <p>The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Freshwater, added the following supplementary information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Vice-Chancellor congratulated all the students who graduated at last week's Graduation Ceremonies and thanked all staff who supported the students during their studies and who attended these events.</li> <li>• The Tertiary Education Commission (TEC) had given positive feedback on the University of Auckland Investment Plan 2023-2025.</li> <li>• The Tertiary Education Union (TEU) had voted in favour of a national strike action in response to the collective bargaining that was taking place at the Universities. The University of Auckland had offered a 9% salary increase over two years (5% in 2023 and 4% in 2024, subject to certain conditions). The Vice-Chancellor had today responded to requests for information from the media about this matter. The University would be putting contingencies in place to ensure continuation of business and support of staff and students during strike actions.</li> <li>• Last week, the media reported that one of its PhD student had been tweeting about the protests that were taking place in Iran and the University was currently assessing this situation. The University also offered its support to staff and their families who were affected by the circumstances in Iran.</li> <li>• The Blues Awards celebration, which was also attended by the Chancellor, took place recently; it was a dynamic event where students who excelled in leadership, sports, culture and arts were celebrated.</li> <li>• The Mātauranga Māori Symposium had been scheduled to take place in November 2022.</li> </ul> <p>Council asked if the Report could identify whether the external events that the University was involved in, took place in a virtual or in-person setting.</p>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Vice-Chancellor): that the Vice-Chancellor's Report be <b>noted</b>.</p>
<p><b>5. REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES</b></p>	<p>5.1 <b>AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>5.1.1 <b>Minutes, (Part A), 20.09.2022</b></p>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Ms Dawson): that the Audit and Risk Committee Minutes (Part A) 20.09.2022 be <b>received</b>.</p>
	<p>5.2 <b>FINANCE COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>5.2.1 <b>Minutes, (Part A), 22.09.2022</b></p>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Mr McDonald): that the Finance Committee Minutes (Part A) 22.09.2022 be <b>received</b>; and</p>

	<p>5.2.2 <b>Domestic Student Fees 2023 and International Student Fees 2024</b></p> <p>This item was presented by the Chief Financial Officer, Mr Bluett. He commented the following:</p> <p>Contextual factors were the high cost of living and inflation pressures significantly exceeding the levels of regulated fee increases. This was also the third year of the pandemic which had caused disruptions and put extra pressure on staff and students. The University had worked hard to support both staff and students in this period through welfare, wellbeing, operational and financial measures. Currently, the hybrid way of teaching was still continuing, although a return to conventional teaching methods might be expected in 2023.</p> <p>For the domestic fees, the annual maximum fee movement (AMFM) limit increase for 2023 was set at 2.75% by TEC and, noting that an increase of 10.4% would be required to maintain parity in real-terms, it was recommended that Council approve the maximum allowed increase of 2.75%.</p> <p>It was recommended that international fees, which were set two years in advance, would increase by 4.5% for 2024, except for the Fees for Medical Imaging (PG), which were recommended to be reduced to align with the postgraduate Optometry and Medicine programme effective for 2023. The Study Abroad fee would remain the same with no increase.</p> <p>After consultation with students, it was proposed to increase the Compulsory Student Services Fee by 2.75%, aligning it with the increase for domestic tuition fees. This would bring the annual fee for a full time equivalent student to \$1005 per year.</p> <p>Earlier this year Council agreed to suspend the Aegrotat fee and it was now proposed that this fee would remain suspended for 2023 while the enrolment fee after the closing date and the late enrolment addition/deletion fee would also be suspended. These suspensions would be further reviewed in the future.</p> <p>In a discussion that followed, Council noted that that, to meet with potential hardship created by the fees increase and other cost of living pressures, the scholarship budget had been substantially increased in next year's budget, while there would also be hardship funding available for students who needed it.</p>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Ms Newsome): that</p> <p>i) The Report on Domestic Student Fees 2023 and International Student Fees 2024 be <b>received and noted</b>; and</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Mr Mason):</p> <p>THAT Council:</p> <p>ii) <b>Approve</b> the attached Domestic Fees Schedule for 2023</p> <p>iii) <b>Approve</b> the attached International Fees Schedule for 2024;</p> <p>iv) <b>Authorise</b> the Vice-Chancellor to assign any new programmes, including SAC funded micro-credentials, or programmes becoming newly available to international students in 2024, to an appropriate band to enable offers to be made during the recruitment cycle, and report these decisions back to Council;</p> <p>v) <b>Authorise</b> the Vice-Chancellor to set fees for non-SAC funded Microcredentials and for University programmes delivered offshore subject to such fees being reported to the Council meeting immediately following.</p> <p>vi) <b>Approve</b> the Compulsory Student Services Fee at \$8.38 per point (GST inclusive) and the associated changes to the Fees Schedule A - All Student.</p> <p>vii) <b>Approve</b> the attached Other Fees Schedule for 2023</p>
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	<p>5.3 <b>STUDENT APPEALS COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>1.3.1 Report, 04.08.2022 1.3.2 Report, 08.08.2022</p>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Ms Newsome): that that Council <b>note</b> the Student Appeals Committee Reports, 04.08.2022 and 08.08.2022.</p>
	<p>5.4 <b>UNIVERSITY EQUITY LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE (UELC)</b></p> <p>5.4.1 <b>Memorandum, 03.10.2022 from the Vice-Chancellor regarding a change to the membership of UELC</b></p> <p>It was recommended to add the Associate Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research to the membership of UELC.</p>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Dr Prasad): that Council <b>approve</b> the addition of the Associate Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research to the membership of UELC.</p>
<p><b>6. SENATE MATTERS</b></p>	<p>6.1 <b>REPORT OF SENATE, 19.09.2022</b></p> <p>Part A1,1-6: Policy and other matters requiring to be received by Council Part A2 1-5: Policy and other matters requiring Council <b>approval</b> Part C, 1-5: Matters handled under Delegated Authority</p> <p>The Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Strategic Engagement (DVC SE), Dr Lithander introduced Te Rautaki Aronga Toitū – University of Auckland Sustainability Strategy and Te Taumata Tukuwaro-kore - the Net Carbon Zero Strategy. He advised Council of the following: The strategies would be submitted to the University Executive Committee on 04.10.2022, after consultation with staff, students and alumni. A working group went through the feedback received through the consultation and the following was highlighted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A governance structure at the executive level of the University would be led by the DVC SE.</li> <li>• To increase reference to Pacific communities, collaboration would take place with the Pro Vice-Chancellor Pacific, Associate Professor Jemaima Tiatia.</li> <li>• In a research-led university and to engage internationally, travel was and would continue to be essential, but it would need to happen in a mindful way.</li> </ul> <p>In a discussion that followed, Council noted that the hardest goal to achieve would be travel, as more than 50% of the University’s air travel was associated with incoming international students. It would be important to consider travel off-sets and reduction carefully. There was also discussion</p>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Ms Dunphy): that the recommendations in Part A of the Report of Senate, 19.09.2022 be <b>adopted</b> and Part C be <b>noted</b></p>

	<p>around the need to build the cost of carbon offsetting and carbon elimination strategies into any business case.</p> <p>Council also recommended engaging with the University Foundation to ensure they followed the same sustainable strategies.</p> <p>Council noted that the Senate Review Working Group, chaired by Professor Pene Mathew, was currently developing a survey with regard to Senate and a report was expected to be submitted to the next Senate meeting. To increase engagement at the meetings and have more consistent attendance, the Senate Review was considering the Senate membership and the possibility to move the timing of meetings.</p> <p>In the meantime they were currently being held in a hybrid format which, at the last two meetings, had resulted in more members attending virtually than in-person and this was not productive for discussions.</p> <p>At the next meeting a return to a fully in-person meeting was anticipated.</p>	
<b>7. CORRESPONDENCE REFERRED BY THE CHANCELLOR</b>	The Chancellor advised that she had received a letter from TEU, which had also been sent to all the other NZ Chancellors and would be responding in a similar way as the other Chancellors.	
<b>8. OTHER MATTERS FOR DECISION OR NOTING</b>	None	
<b>9. ELECTIONS - APPOINTMENTS</b>	<p>9.1 <b>ELECTION OF THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE ON COUNCIL</b></p> <p>9.1.1 Memorandum, 23.09.2022 from the Returning Officer, Mrs Adrienne Cleland</p>	<b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Mr Wang): that Ms Hala Barakat be <b>appointed</b> as the student representative on Council for a one-year term (1 November 2022 – 31 October 2023).
	<p>9.2 <b>ELECTION OF THE CHANCELLOR AND PRO CHANCELLOR</b></p> <p>Mrs Cleland took the Chair for the first part of this item.</p> <p>9.2.1 <b>ELECTION OF CHANCELLOR FOR 2023</b></p> <p>Nominations were called for the position of Chancellor until 31.12.2023 date.</p>	

	<p>One nomination only was received, for Ms Cecilia Tarrant (Professor Curtin/Mr Mason)</p> <p>There being no other nominations, the Registrar declared <b>Ms Tarrant re-elected as Chancellor for a term starting on 01.01.2023 and ending 31.12.2023 or such agreed earlier date.</b></p> <p>Carried by acclamation.</p> <p>9.2.2 <b>ELECTION OF PRO-CHANCELLOR FOR 2023</b></p> <p>The Chancellor resumed the Chair for this part of the item.</p> <p>Nominations were called for the position of Pro-Chancellor.</p> <p>One nomination only was received, for Ms Cathy Quinn (Chancellor/Ms Dunphy).</p> <p>There being no other nominations, the Chancellor declared <b>Ms Quinn re-elected as Pro-Chancellor for a term starting on 01.01.2023 and ending 31.12.2023.</b></p> <p>Carried by acclamation.</p>	
<p><b>10. FAREWELL</b></p>	<p>Mr Junyi (Johnnie) Wang would be ending his third term of office on Council on 31.10.2022.</p> <p>He thanked the Council members and Management for their support. He emphasised how important it is for the Student Representative to have a good relationship with AUSA. He will be introducing Ms Hala Barakat to AUSA and assisting in her orientation.</p>	<p><b>The Chancellor moves</b> that Council thank Mr Junyi (Jonnie) Wang for his contribution to the work of Council.</p>
<p><b>11. GENERAL BUSINESS</b></p>		
<p><b>12. LEAVE OF ABSENCE</b></p>	<p>for the meeting of 12.12.2022 No leave was requested at this time.</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), 18.08.2022
Item No. 2.1.1	University of Auckland Animal Ethics Committee
Item No. 2.2.1	University of Auckland Biological Safety Committee
Item No. 2.3.1	University of Auckland Human Participants Ethics Committee
Item No. 2.4.1	Audit and Risk Committee Minutes Part B 20.09.2022
Item No. 2.5.1	Finance Committee Minutes Part B, 22.09.2022
Item No. 2.5.2	Financial Performance and Forecast for 2022-2024
Item no. 2.5.3	Long-term Financial Plan 2022-2031
Item No 4	Application for a license

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 Metson, Tim Bluett, Pamela Moss, 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 6.20pm**

**The meeting went into Public Excluded session at 5.25pm**

**Approved as a true and correct record.**

**Cecilia Tarrant, Chancellor**

**Date**