



<b>PRESENT:</b>	Ms Tarrant (Chair), Professor Freshwater (Vice-Chancellor), Dr Prasad, Professor Tolmie, Ms Dawson, Mr McDonald, Mr Paitai, Ms Quinn, Ms Barakat and Mr Mason Via Zoom: Ms Arnott-Neenee and Ms Skipper	
<b>IN ATTENDANCE:</b>	Mrs Cleland, Professors Linton, Kool and Bloomfield F, Drs Ten Eyck and Lithander, Mr Bluett, Mr Michael, Ms Moss, Mr Brandon and Ms Verschaeren	
<b>COUNCIL BRIEFINGS</b>	The briefings took place prior to the meeting and were preceded by a Mihi for the new Council members led by John Paitai	
<b>COUNCIL ONLY SESSION</b>	Council held a short Council only session before the start of the meeting	
<b>KARAKIA</b>	The Chancellor started the meeting with a karakia.	
<b>1. APOLOGIES</b>	none	
<b>2. WELCOME</b>	The Chancellor and Council welcomed Professor Julia Tolmie as representative of the academic staff and Gemma Skipper as representative of the professional staff on Council.	
<b>3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS</b>	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 further disclosures were made.	
<b>4. COUNCIL MEETINGS</b>	4.1 <b>Council, Draft Minutes (Part A), 11.12.2023</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Mr Mason): that the Minutes (Part A), 11.12.2023 be taken as <b>read</b> and <b>confirmed</b> .
	4.2 <b>Matters arising from the Minutes (Part A), 11.12.2023</b>	

<p><b>5. HONOURS/AWARDS- NEW YEAR HONOURS</b></p>	<p>The Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor had sent congratulatory letters to those persons with links to the University.</p>	
<p><b>6. VICE-CHANCELLOR'S REPORT</b></p>	<p>The Report was taken as read.</p> <p>The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Freshwater, presented this item. Council noted the following:</p> <p>The University had recently welcomed the students back on campus and the Vice-Chancellor congratulated and thanked everyone who had made this happen. Since the Government's 100-day plan had been finalised, there had been more interaction between the Government and the University.</p> <p>The Vice-Chancellor and the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research, Professor Frank Bloomfield hosted a meeting with the Minister of Science, Innovation and Technology, Hon. Judith Collins to discuss future research funding on space, engineering and medical research.</p> <p>The review of higher education in Australia (Accord) was discussed.</p> <p>Universities New Zealand remained concerned about the backlog of applications from international students that still required processing by Immigration New Zealand. Like all universities globally, the University was struggling with responding to the issues around international conflict and freedom of expression, taking the position that it was a multi-cultural institution</p> <p>The University recently launched its partnership with Eden Park which offered opportunities for students and researchers.</p> <p>In the following discussion, Council heard that there was currently a lack of preparedness of many students who entered the University, and these students required more support to be successful.</p>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/ Mr McDonald): that the Vice-Chancellor's Report be <b>noted</b>.</p>
<p><b>7. REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES</b></p>	<p>7.1 <b>FINANCE COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>7.1.1 <b>Minutes, (Part A), 28.02.2024</b></p> <p>7.1.2 <b>Terms of Reference</b></p>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Mr McDonald): that the Finance Committee Minutes (Part A) 28.02.2024 be <b>received</b>;</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Ms Skipper): that the amended terms of reference be <b>adopted</b></p>

	<p>7.2 <b>AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>7.2.1 <b>Minutes, (Part A), 29.02.2024</b></p> <p>7.2.2 <b>Terms of Reference</b></p>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Mr Mason): that the Audit and Risk Committee Minutes (Part A) 29.02.2024 be <b>received</b>.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Mr Paitai): that the amended terms of reference be <b>adopted</b>.</p>
	<p>7.3 <b>STUDENT APPEALS COMMITTEE (SAC)</b></p> <p>7.3.1 <b>Student Appeals Committee – report for 2023</b></p> <p>Council noted that the report had included some suggestions on how to reduce the number of cases of academic misconduct. These were only suggestions, however, and not directives. Council was concerned about the findings in the report and asked about the processes in place to make sure that students were aware of the serious consequences of academic misconduct. Management confirmed that such processes were in place.</p>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Ms Arnott-Neenee): that the Student Appeals Committee Report 2023 be <b>received</b>.</p>
	<p>7.4 <b>NAMING COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>7.4.1 <b>Naming Committee Report to Council, 19.02.2024</b></p> <p>Council thanked the Chief Property Officer, Simon Neale, and his team for the tour of the recreation centre construction site during today’s Council briefings.</p>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Ms Quinn): that Council <b>note</b> that Naming Committee has approved the naming of the new sport, aquatic, recreation and wellness centre as “Hiwa   Recreation Centre”.</p> <p> </p>
<b>8. SENATE MATTERS</b>	<p>8.1 <b>REPORT OF SENATE, 26.02.2024</b></p> <p>Part A1 Policy and other matters requiring to be considered/received by Council</p> <p>Part A2 1-2: Policy and other matters requiring Council <b>approval</b></p> <p>Part B 1 No matters for noting</p> <p>Part C 1-4: Matters handled under Delegated Authority</p> <p>This item was introduced by the Vice-Chancellor. She advised Council of the following:</p>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Professor Tolmie): that the recommendations in Part A of the Report of Senate, 26.02.2024 be <b>adopted</b> and C be <b>noted</b></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Senate Review was still underway and Associate Professor Richard Clarke, Dean of Engineering, was continuing the work started by Professor Pene Mathew, as Chair of the Senate Review Reference Group. The aim of the review was to increase the engagement with the members which was not always easy, given there were currently almost 500 members of Senate.</li> <li>The Vice-Chancellor's Advisory Group on Freedom of Expression and Academic Freedom was continuing its work which included the connection with the Code of Conduct.</li> </ul>	
<b>9. CORRESPONDENCE REFERRED BY THE CHANCELLOR</b>	No items received	
<b>10. OTHER MATTERS FOR DECISION OR NOTING</b>	<p>10.1 <b>SEAL</b></p> <p>Since the Council meeting on 11.12.2023 the seal had been applied to the following documents in accordance with the Council resolution of 18.02.1991:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deed of Renewal of Lease – 49 Symonds Street, Ground and Levels 1 &amp; 2 car parks and the rooftop – University of Auckland (the Landlord) &amp; Vodafone New Zealand Ltd (the Tenant)</li> <li>Deed of Renewal and Rent Review of Lease – Part L3 &amp; L5, 93 Grafton Road, Grafton – Littlewonz Ltd (The Landlord) &amp; the University of Auckland (the Tenant)</li> <li>Deed of Lease – Units 2 &amp; 3, 85 The Terrace, Wellington Central, Wellington – Terrafarm Investments Ltd (the Landlord) and the University of Auckland (the Tenant)</li> </ul>	<b>RESOLVED</b> (Chancellor/Ms Barakat): that the affixing of the seal to the listed document be <b>noted</b> .
<b>11. ELECTIONS - APPOINTMENTS</b>	There were no elections – appointments	
<b>12. GENERAL BUSINESS</b>	None	

**13. LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

(for the meeting of 29.04.2024)

Mr Mason requested absence and the Vice-Chancellor would attend remotely via Zoom

## **PUBLIC EXCLUSIONS**

**RESOLVED** (Chancellor/Dr Prasad): 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 11.12.2023)
Item No. 2.1.1	Auckland Health research Ethics Committee – Annual Report
Item No. 2.2.1	Animal Health Committee Code of Ethical Conduct
Item No. 2.3.1	University of Auckland Biological safety Committee – Membership and Annual Report
Item No. 2.4.1	University of Auckland Human Participants Ethics Committee – Membership and Annual Report
Item No. 2.5.1	Finance Committee Minutes (Part B 28.02.2024)
Item no. 2.5.2	Financial Performance for 2023
Item No. 2.5.3	Proposed Treasury Policy Update
Item No. 2.5.5	Memorandum regarding a refinancing
Item no. 2.6.1	Audit and Risk Committee Minutes (Part B 29.02.2024)
Item no. 2.6.2	Annual Report
Item No. 5.1	Council committee membership for 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, Andrew Phipps, Tim Bluett, Brian Ten Eyck, Pamela Moss, Helen Cattanach, Julian Michael, 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 6.00pm**

**The meeting went into Public Excluded session at 4.50pm**

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

**Cecilia Tarrant, Chancellor**

**Date**