THE UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO

Council: 27 March 2017

Minutes of the Meeting held on 21 February 2017 (Part 1)

Present: Rt Hon Jim Bolger (Chancellor), Professor Neil Quigley (Vice-Chancellor), Mr Paul Adams, Dr Alison Campbell, Mr Ian Fitzgerald, Mr Simon Graafhuis, Mrs Susan Hassall, Mr Richard Jefferies, Mr William Lewis, Ms Ngāreta Timutimu

Secretary: Mr Brandon McGibbon

In attendance: Professor Bruce Clarkson, Ms Duanna Fowler, Professor Alister Jones, Professor Robyn Longhurst, Mr Andrew McKinnon, Ms Tracy Pilet.

17.1 KARAKIA
The meeting was opened with a karakia by Mr Richard Jefferies

17.2 APOLOGIES
Apologies for lateness were received from Dr Alison Campbell and Mr Ian Fitzgerald.

17.3 WELCOME TO NEW COUNCIL MEMBER
A welcome was extended to new Council member Mr William Lewis (2017 student member and Waikato Students’ Union president).

17.4 REGISTER OF INTERESTS
Confirmed
The Register of Interests dated 3 February 2017 (document C17/1).

17.5 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7 DECEMBER 2016 (PART 1)
Confirmed
The minutes of the meeting held on 7 December 2016 (Part 1) (document C17/2).

17.6 REPORT OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR (PART 1)
Received
1. The report of the Vice-Chancellor (Part 1) (document C17/3).
2. A further oral report from the Vice-Chancellor from which it was noted that the New Student Pōwhiri, held the previous day, had been very well attended with approximately 1,000 students present and had stretched capacity at Te Kohinga Marama marae.

Noted in discussion
1. That in response to a question about the University’s new senior appointments (Dean of Engineering, Dean of Management and Associate Dean of Engineering), the Vice-Chancellor reported that each had had a very positive initial period with many new research initiatives emerging and clear plans being developed for the future of their respective areas.
2. That, in response to a question about other senior vacancies the Vice-Chancellor reported that the University was still seeking to make an appointment to the Dean of Education position and that while the current Dean in Arts and Social Sciences was Acting, Professor Kirkman had indicated her willingness to stay on in the role for a minimum of two years and was providing excellent leadership in the Faculty.
17.7 ELECTION OF A PRO-CHANCELLOR
Resolved
To elect Mrs Susan Hassall to the position of Pro-Chancellor in accordance with the procedures set out in document C17/4 and for a term of 22 February 2017 to 15 March 2020 (the end of her current term on Council).

17.8 APPOINTMENT TO THE PEOPLE AND CULTURE COMMITTEE
Resolved
To appoint Mrs Susan Hassall to the People and Culture Committee with effect from 22 February 2017 (document C17/5).

17.9 TE PAEWAI O TE RANGI AND TE ARA KI ANGITŪ SCHOLARSHIPS UPDATE
Received
A report with respect to the University’s Te Paewai o Te Rangi and Te Ara ki Angitū scholarships (document C17/6).

Noted in discussion
1. That the calibre of applicants for Te Paewai o te Rangi scholarships had been exceptionally high and the acceptance rate very positive.
2. That a review of Te Paewai o te Rangi scholarship, including offer thresholds and the number of scholarships awarded, would be undertaken during 2017.
3. That an exceptionally high proportion of Te Paewai o te Rangi scholarship recipients had identified as Māori or Pacific (33%).
4. That the Ara ki Angitu programme was likely to have retained students from the wider region who would otherwise have gone to other tertiary providers.
5. That the Ara ki Angitu programme incorporated five bus routes in 2017: Coromandel, Matamata, Huntly, Tokoroa and Te Kuiti and towns en route.
6. That Te Paewai o te Rangi scholarships had increased the visibility of Waikato for high-achieving students and it was being considered as an alternative to other New Zealand universities offering similar high-value scholarships.

17.10 ACADEMIC BOARD MINUTES (PART 1)
Received
The draft minutes of the Academic Board meeting held on 6 December 2016 (Part 1) (document C17/7).

Noted in discussion
1. That the one-week mid-semester study break in B semester 2016 had been unpopular with students the adoption of a trimester, rather than four semester model would likely have an impact on teaching schedules in the future.
2. That with respect to the appointment of Dr Julie Barbour as the new Chair of the Human Research Ethics Committee, it was noted that Dr Barbour was planning improvements to the Committee and its processes for the future.

17.11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING
Reported
That the next meeting of Council would be held on the afternoon of Monday 27 March 2017 with a Council Strategy session to be held the following day.
17.12 **PROCEEDINGS WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED**

**Resolves**

1. That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 on the grounds that the public conduct of the relevant matters would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding existed. This resolution was made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act or section 6 or section 7 or section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public were as follows:

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2. That staff identified by the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor as having knowledge relevant to particular matters to be discussed were permitted to remain in attendance at this meeting after the public had been excluded because their knowledge associated with their roles and responsibilities at the University would be of assistance in relation to those matters.

Brandon McGibbon  
**Council Secretary**