

# COUNCIL

Te Kaunihera o Te Whare  
Wānanga o Waitaha

## Minutes

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| Date          | <b>Wednesday 29 July 2020</b>   |
| Time          | 4.00 pm   |
| Venue         | Council Chamber, Level 6 Matariki   |
| Present       | Ms Sue McCormack (Chancellor), Professor Cheryl de la Rey (Vice-Chancellor), Mr Steve Wakefield (Pro-Chancellor), Mr Peter Ballantyne, Ms Liz Bond, Professor Roger Nokes, Mr Warren Poh, Ms Gillian Simpson, Mr Shayne Te Aika.<br>Via video link: Ms Rachael Evans, Ms Tori McNoe                                       |
| Apologies     | Ms Keiran Horne   |
| In Attendance | Mr Paul O’Flaherty, Acting University Registrar and Council Secretary<br>Professor Ian Wright, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)<br>Professor Catherine Moran, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)<br>Mr Keith Longden, Executive Director, Planning, Finance and IT<br>Mrs Raewyn Crowther, University Council Coordinator |

**Council Work Plan**

Mr O'Flaherty noted that the main focus for the workshop on 26 August would be on the partnership with Ng i Tahu/Ng i T huriri and would be presented by Associate Professor Te Maire Tau. The proposed workshop on space and the Dovedale campus would be rescheduled.

Moved

***That: Council note the Council work plan.***

Carried

**Degrees Conferred in Absentia**

Ms McCormack advised Council that the schedule of degrees awarded in absentia had been approved and the names of the graduates were entered into the public record.

Moved

***That: Council approve the degrees awarded in absentia for the public record.***

Carried

**Executive Committee Conferral of Certificates**

Ms McCormack noted that the Executive Committee had been required to confer the certificates on 10 July for the Transition Graduation ceremony that had been cancelled.

Moved

***That: Council note the Executive Committee decision to confer certificates in absentia and enter these into the public record.***

Carried

- TEC would be partnering with UC on how to improve student engagement and performance, especially where there were equity gaps.

People:

- An email etiquette guideline was developed to promote wellbeing.
- The

He noted that:

There was a general feeling of satisfaction with the first semester, given the circumstances.

The new degrees included:

- Bachelor of Environmental Science with Honours - new to New Zealand and cross-discipline
- Bachelor of Data Science – distinctive nationally and provided potential career paths to inspire students to enrol.
- Diploma in Advancing University Studies was aimed at international students whose previous study did not meet level 7 on the NZ Qualifications Framework.

Expense allocation had been vigorously debated with the Academic Board accepting that this was already happening.

In discussion, the title of the Professional Master of Computer Science degree was questioned as this implied registration with a professional organisation would be required, yet no such body existed. It was intended to raise this matter at CUAP with a view to having a sector-wide revision of the use of this term. UC currently had four degrees with Professional in the title, two of which had the ability for registration with a professional body. An alternative title for this degree would be Master of Applied Computer Science and it was noted that, if the title changed, the course would need to deliver on that.

Moved

**That: Council:**

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| 5.0        | Matters arising from those minutes                              |   |         |
| 6.0<br>6.1 | <b>From the Chancellor</b><br>Emeritus Professor<br>Nomination  | To protect the privacy of natural persons.  | 7(a)    |
| 7.0<br>7.1 | <b>From the Vice-Chancellor</b><br>The Vice-Chancellor's 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) |
| 8.         | <b>From the Finance,</b>  |   |         |
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**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting was scheduled for 4.00pm on Wednesday 26 August 2020.

The meeting was closed with a karakia