



LINCOLN UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday 26 October 2021 at 9am in Council Chambers and by Zoom

Meeting Minutes

Present: Mr B Gemmell (Chancellor), Mrs J Fredric, Mr R Hewett, Mr G Fleming, Dr C Smith, Dr M van den Belt (*by Zoom*), Ms J Shone, Professor B McKenzie, Emeritus Professor J McWha, Mrs G Thompson and Mr D Jensen (*by Zoom*)

In attendance: Professor G Edwards (Deputy Vice-Chancellor)
Dr L Petelo (Assistant Vice-Chancellor Learning and Teaching)
Mrs S Roulston (Chief Operating Officer)
Ms T Nelson (Health, Safety and Bio-Compliance Manager) – Items 7 – 7.1
Mr J Kilgour (Incoming LUSA President)
Ms B Baillie (Incoming Council Secretary)
Ms A Cradock (Director Governance and Legal)

1. Welcome/Karakia/Apologies

An apology for absence was received from Mrs P Parata-Goodall.

2. Disclosures of interests

The interests register was NOTED.

3. Confirmation of the Previous Meeting Minutes

Council RESOLVED:

Resolution

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 28 September 2021 be taken as read and APPROVED.

MOTION CARRIED

4. Matters arising from the Minutes

The action register was NOTED.

An update was provided on item 359 – the steering group of the online programme considered whether to offer an online Te Reo course as a single paper and decided it was not a priority at this point in time.

5. Notice of items of General Business

No items of General Business were notified for discussion.

6. Chancellor's Report

The report was NOTED.

7. Vice-Chancellor's Report

The report was taken as read and NOTED.

The Government has not yet mandated vaccinations in the tertiary education sector. The University has undertaken a voluntary staff survey on vaccination status.

The LUSA Garden Party has been cancelled.

LUSA has appointed Jack Swannell as its new General Manager.

Denise Hannam, Denise Pelvin and Amanda Emery have been named as the staff members who had the most positive impact on students in LUSA's annual Best Awards 2021.

Staff are working on ways to allow online student participation in orientation activities.

The Hudson carpark refurbishment is progressing well.

The Future Leader and Servant Leader awards were held in early October.

Seven new professors have been appointed at the University; Amanda Black, Anita Wreford, Eirian Jones, Jim Morton, Kevin Moore, Roslyn Kerr and Stephen On.

The University has placed second in New Zealand for Life Sciences in the World University Rankings.

Stephen On is involved in a new partnership between the University and the New Zealand Food Safety and Science Research Centre.

The University has partnered with GirlGuiding NZ to launch a badge that will offer girls the chance to discover career options in the food and fibre industries.

Lincoln Agritech has signed a licensing agreement with an Israeli company for technology that allows farmers to see the actual soil moisture content in any part of a field in real-time.

Distinguished Professor Philip Hulme has been awarded Better Border Biosecurity funding.

Council questioned how the University is preparing for various COVID scenarios including on-campus quarantine and dealing with COVID-positive individuals on campus. There are currently four rooms in Stevens for quarantine. Management is currently considering how to balance accommodation and isolation requirements. Council requested Management form a view on mandating vaccinations and also to consider continuity planning in relation to dealing with COVID once it is in the community.

*Actions –
Acting Vice-
Chancellor*

7.1 Monthly Health and Safety Report

The report was NOTED.

WorkSafe has released guidance on questions to consider when assessing whether employees are at high risk with COVID-19, both due to individual vulnerabilities and the nature of individual roles. A Lincoln University template has been created based on this guidance.

The business case for the Ivey Hall project will include health and safety considerations such as traffic management planning.

The Council tours for 2022 need to be scheduled.

*Action –
Director
Governance
and Legal*

7.2 Council Fee and Rebate Policy

The policy has been amended to allow remuneration for Council members who have provided services to the University well above and beyond their ordinary

governance responsibilities.

Council agreed transparency and probity are crucial.

Council RESOLVED to:

APPROVE the amended Council Fee and Rebate Policy.

Resolution

MOTION CARRIED

8. Academic Board Report

The report was NOTED.

9. Conferment of Degrees, Diploma and Certificates

Council RESOLVED to:

APPROVE the awards listed at Schedule 1.

Resolution

MOTION CARRIED

10. Lincoln University Students Association Report

The report was taken as read and NOTED.

This is Gregory Fleming’s last Council meeting. Mr Fleming thanked everyone at the meeting for creating a welcoming space for the LUSA President to contribute. The Chancellor thanked Mr Fleming for his outstanding contribution to Council.

New executives have been voted in for LUSA and Te Awhioraki.

The Garden Party has been cancelled. A lot of the costs have been rolled over to 2022 and the Chancellor has waived unrecoverable costs.

The Chancellor requested Mr Fleming extend an invite to the new Te Awhioraki Tumuaki to attend the open sessions of Council.

11. General Business

No items of General Business were tabled for discussion.

12. Motion by the Chancellor for Resolution to Exclude the Public Pursuant to s48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987:

The Chancellor moved that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

<i>General Subject Matter</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Grounds under section 48(1)</i>
Chancellor’s In-Committee Report	To avoid prejudice or disadvantage to the commercial activities of the University To prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	7(2)(h) 7(2)(j)
Vice-Chancellor’s Report 1. Monthly Financials 2. Monthly Recruitment Report 3. Legislative Compliance Report	To avoid prejudice or disadvantage to the commercial activities of the University To prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	7(2)(h) 7(2)(j)
Awards Committee 1. Establishment of New Award 2. Award Nomination Forms	To avoid prejudice or disadvantage to the commercial activities of the University To prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	7(2)(h) 7(2)(j)
He Toki Tārai 1. NWOO Project Status Reports 2. GOG Scorecard		
Audit and Risk Committee 1. Long term Strategic Forecast		

Capital Asset Committee Report	To avoid prejudice or disadvantage to the commercial activities of the University	7(2)(h)
1. Campus Development Programme Report	To prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	7(2)(j)
2. Campus Development Programme Dashboard		
3. Major Programme Status Reports		
4. Sport and Recreation Centre Request for Additional Funding and Close out report		
5. Hudson Car Park Scope Change Request		
6. Ivey West Proposed Pre-Contract Agreement		
7. Investment Case for Riddolls and JBB Demolition and Orchard West Car Park		
8. 2022 Capex Budget		
9. Orion Connection Upgrade		
10. Building Security Update		
11. Science North Update		
General Business	To avoid prejudice or disadvantage to the commercial activities of the University	7(2)(h)
	To prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	7(2)(j)
Council and Committees Workplan	To avoid prejudice or disadvantage to the commercial activities of the University	7(2)(h)
	To prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	7(2)(j)

The Chancellor moved that: Professor G Edwards (Deputy Vice-Chancellor), Mrs S Roulston (Chief Operating Officer), Ms E Henshall (Finance Director), Mr P Harris (Campus Development Programme Lead), Mr S Reindler (Independent Chair, Science North Project Control Group), Mr Wayne Lawson (Senior Project Manager), Mark Pearson (Leighs Construction Limited), Joseph Hampton (Warren and Mahoney), Piri Cowie (Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu), Sean Donohoe (TBIG), Jeremy Kilgour (Incoming LUSA President), Bianca Baillie (Incoming Council Secretary) and Ms A Cradock (Director Governance and Legal) be permitted to remain at the meeting after the public has been excluded, because of their knowledge of the various matters being discussed. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matters to be discussed, is relevant to those matters because of their involvement in the development of reports to Council on these matters. CARRIED

12. Report from the Public Excluded Session

<i>General Subject Matter</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>
Chancellor's In-Committee Report	The report was received. The discussion and any decision shall remain confidential at this time for the reasons noted above.
Vice-Chancellor's Report	The report was received. The discussion and any decision shall remain confidential at this time for the reasons noted above, other than the University's summary financial position to 30 September and information about the Campus Development Programme which will be released as and when the Acting Vice-Chancellor determines.
Awards Committee Report	The report was received. The discussion and any decision shall remain confidential at this time for the reasons noted above.
He Toki Tārai Report	The report was received. The discussion and any decision shall remain confidential at this time for the reasons noted above.
Audit and Risk Committee Report	The report was received. The discussion and any decision shall remain confidential at this time for the reasons noted above.
Capital Asset Committee Report	The report was received. The discussion and any decision shall remain confidential at this time for the reasons noted above.
General Business	The report was received. The discussion and any decision shall remain confidential at this time for the reasons noted above.

13. Closure and next Meeting

The meeting closed at 1.03pm. The next meeting is scheduled for 9am Tuesday 30 November 2021, Council Chambers, Lincoln University and by Zoom.

Signed: _____ (Chair)

Date: _____