

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday 23 April 2024 at 9am online via MS Teams

Meeting Minutes

Present: Mr B Gemmell (Chancellor), Prof G Edwards (Vice-Chancellor), Mrs G Thompson, Mr D Cooper, Mrs M Ash, Dr Marjan van den Belt, Mrs P Parata-Goodall, Mrs Liz Hill-Taiaoroa, Mr D Jensen, Mrs J Fredric, Prof Derrick Moot (each a Council Member)

In attendance: Mrs S Roulston (Chief Operating Officer)
Mr D Lodge (Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Student Life)
Mr N Heslop (Strategy & Governance Officer, as Council Secretary)
Dr C Hewitt (Provost)
Mr R Michelle (Te Awhioraki Tumuaki)
Prof Merata Kawharu (Deputy Vice Chancellor, Māori)

Meeting started at 10.17am.

1. Welcome/Karakia/Apologies

Mrs Parata Goodall opened the meeting with a karakia.

2. Disclosures of interests

The interest register was NOTED.

3. Notice of items of General Business

There were no items of general business.

4. Final 2023 Annual Report and Financial Statements

The report was taken as read.

The Chancellor welcomed Yvonne Yang & Cole from Audit NZ to the meeting.

The Chief Operating Officer informed Council:

- The appropriations statement will be withdrawn from the Annual Report because there were no appropriations in the relevant period.

The Chancellor outlined the sequence of events surrounding a perceived conflict of interest in the potential sale of an asset at Lincoln Agritech Limited.

The Chancellor noted the Conflicts of Interest Policy is currently going through a review and suggested it may be appropriate to strengthen notifications required around a potential conflict of interest.

Audit NZ advised Council about the audit process:

- The audit has progressed well and Council, management, and staff were thanked for their assistance.
- Audit NZ is satisfied the financial statements and statement of service performance fairly present Lincoln University's activity for the year, as well as its financial position.

Council Resolution

That Council:

1. **RECEIVE** the Final Draft 2023 Annual Report, Financial Statement Letter of Responsibility and Audit Representation Letter.
2. **ADOPT** the 2023 Annual Report, including the Financial Statements and Statement of Service Performance, subject to non-substantive disclosure amendments to the Financial Statements and Statement of Service Performance on request of Audit NZ.
3. **AUTHORISE** the Chancellor and Chair of ARC to receive the Management Representation Letter and sign the Audit Representation Letter on behalf of Lincoln University and review and sign the final accounts.

Resolution

MOTION CARRIED

5. General Business

There were no items of general business.

6. Closing Karakia

Puamiria Parata-Goodall closed the meeting with a karakia.

7. Closure and next Meeting

The meeting closed at 10.48am.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 30th April 2024 at 9am and will be held in Whare Auahu, ground floor in Waimarie, at Lincoln Campus.

CONFIRMED THIS 30th DAY OF April 2024



BRUCE GEMMELL
CHANCELLOR