

## **AGENDA PAPERS**

# NOTICE OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Notice is Hereby Given that a Special Meeting of the Council of Auckland University of Technology will be held:

Council Room, Level 7, WA Building
AUT City Campus
On: Monday 21 October 2024

FROM: 3.30 - 6.00 PM

Andrea Vujnovich
COUNCIL SECRETARY



# AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL

Chancellor Rob Campbell

Appointed by Council

Members Professor Damon Salesa

Vice-Chancellor of the Auckland University of Technology

Peter Treacy

Appointed by the Minister for Tertiary Education and Skills

**Janine Smith** 

Appointed by the Minister for Tertiary Education and Skills

**Shaun Clarke** 

Appointed by the Minister for Tertiary Education and Skills

**Mark Darrow** 

Appointed by the Minister for Tertiary Education and Skills

Alicia Lemmer

Appointed by the Auckland University of Technology Student Association

Leo Foliaki

Appointed by Council

Marama Royal

Appointed by Council

Michelle Huang

Appointed by Council

Welby Inge

Elected by the Academic Staff of the Auckland University of Technology

**Lani Thomson** 

Elected by the Professional Staff of the Auckland University of Technology

# Karakia

Beginning and closing		
Tuia ki te rangi	Kia tau iho	
Dedicated to the sky	Let the strength	
Tuia ki te whenua	Te tauwhirotanga	
and to the earth below	and serenity	
Tuia ki te	O te wāhi ngaro	
human kind are bound	of our ancestors	
Ira tangata	E pai ai te nohotahi	
and inseperable	guide us as we gather	
Ka rongo te pō  From the infinite potential	A tinana, wairua hoki in body and spirit	
- Communication of the Communi		
Ka rongo te ao	Whakauenuku ake	
to the realization in light	Holdiast to	
Tūturu whakamaua	Te āio mō te katoa	
Let us come together	Peace for all	
Kia tīna	Kia whakamaua kia tīna	
with purpose	let it be realised	
Haumi e Hui e	Hui e Tāiki e	
united and ready	for us all	
Tāiki e		
to progress		
Closing		
Unuhia, unuhia	Kia tau kia tātou katoa	
Draw on, draw on	May peace, love, and safety	
Unuhia ki te uru tapu nui	Te āio, te aroha me te marutau	
Draw on the supreme sacredness	Be upon us all	

Kia wātea, kia māmā, te ngākau, te tinana, te wairua i te ara takatā To clear, to free the heart, the body and the spirit of mankind	Tihei mauri ora a promise of a glorious day
Koia rā e Rongo, whakairia ake ki runga Rongo, suspended high above us	
Kia tina! Tina! Hui e! Tāiki e! Draw together! Affirm!	

# PART A OPEN AGENDA



#### COUNCIL PART A OPEN AGENDA

#### **Council Agenda Part A (Open Agenda)**

#### Monday 21 October 2024 at 3.30 pm to be held in the Council Room, WA710, AUT City Campus

Karakia	.30 pm to be held in the Council R	,
Mihi – Chancellor		
Welcome, Apologies and approval of agenda	The <b>Chancellor moves</b> that apologies be <b>noted</b> and that <b>Council ap</b> the assignment of agenda items to Part A and Part B of the Council	
2. Declaration/Recording of any Interests	The attention of Members is 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.	The <b>Chancellor moves</b> that the declarations if any be noted and the action taken be <b>endorsed</b> .
3. Constitutional Matters, Conferment of Degrees, and Policy	3.1 No report	
4. Council Meetings	4.1 Council Meeting Draft Minutes Part A 30 September 2024.  4.2 Matters arising from the Minutes Part A of the Council Meeting, 30 September 2024 not elsewhere on the agenda.	The <b>Chancellor moves</b> that the Minutes Part A of the Council Meeting held 30 September 2024. be taken as <b>read</b> and <b>confirmed</b> .
5. Vice-Chancellor's Report	5. No report	
6. Chancellor's Report	6. No report	
7. Reports from Boards, Committees and Working Groups to Council	7. No report	
8. Health, Safety, and Wellbeing Reports	8. No report	
9. Te Tiriti	9. No report	

10.	10.1	
Strategic Reports	No report	
11.	11.	
Student Success	No report	
12.	12.	
Correspondence referred by	No report	
the Chancellor		
13.	13.1	
Other matters arising for	No report	
decision or noting		
14.	14.1	
Items moved from Part B of	No report	
the agenda to Part A and		
General Business		

#### **PUBLIC EXCLUSIONS**

The Chancellor moved that the public be now excluded from Part B of this meeting, and that the following matters be discussed without public disclosure. This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and section 9 of the Official Information Act, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting AND THAT W Lawson, L Williams, A Vujnovich and R Nottingham be permitted to remain at this meeting, after the public has been excluded, because of their knowledge of the matters to be discussed in the proceedings while the public are excluded. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matters to be discussed, is relevant to these matters because they relate to aspects of the administration of AUT for which those persons are responsible.

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter.  The public conduct of each item below would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 9 of the OIA identified below.	Ground(s) under section 48(1) LGOIMA for the passing of this resolution
15. Council Meeting Part B of the meeting held on 30 September 2024	s 9(2)(b)(ii), s 9(2)(i), 9(2)(k)	7(2)(f)(i), 7(2)h), 7(2)(i), 7(2)(j)
22.1 Other Business	s 9(2)(b)(a), 9(g)(i) and 9(2)(j)	s7(2)(c), 7(2)(f)(i), 7(2)(i),



PART A	4.1
OPEN AGENDA ITEM	4.1

### **Council Agenda Paper**

Subject: Minutes of Part A of the Council Meeting held on 30 September 2024

Date: 30 September 2024

Author: A Vujnovich

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT THE MINUTES OF PART A OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 30 SEPTEMBER 2024 BE CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD OF THAT MEETING

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#### **MINUTES**

#### **Council Meeting**

Meeting held 30 September 2024 at 3.30 pm

Council Room, Level 7, WA Building, City Campus, Auckland

PRESENT: R Campbell (Chair), D Salesa, J Smith, M Royal, L Foliaki; W Ings; A Lemmer; S

Clarke; M Darrow; L Thomson; M Huang.

**SECRETARY:** A Vujnovich, Council Secretary

R Nottingham, Minute Taker

IN ATTENDANCE: L Williams (Chief Financial Officer and AVC Finance and Infrastructure); W Lawson (DVC

Academic); F Henare (Director Health & Safety & Wellbeing) and S Davies (Group Director People & Culture) – Item 8.1; J Matapo (Pro Vice Chancellor Pacific) – Item

10.1

**IN APOLOGY:** P Treacy.

#### **PART A OPEN AGENDA**

The meeting was opened with a karakia led by the Chancellor. The Chancellor welcomed new member Michelle Huang to Council and noted P Treacy was on three months' leave from Council at his request.

#### 1 WELCOME, APOLOGIES AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

#### Resolved

- 1. THAT AN APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE FROM P TREACY BE RECEIVED.
- 2. THAT THE ASSIGNMENT OF AGENDA ITEMS TO PART A AND PART B OF THE COUNCIL AGENDA BE APPROVED.

#### 2 DECLARATION/RECORDING OF INTERESTS

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.

#### Resolved

THAT THE DECLARATIONS BE NOTED AND THE ACTIONS TAKEN BE ENDORSED.

#### 3 CONSTITUTIONAL MATTER, CONFERMENT OF DEGREES AND POLICY

3.1 Granting, Rescinding, Revoking and Amending Qualifications – August and September 2024
Received

Memorandum for Granting of Qualifications – August and September 2024

#### Resolved

THAT COUNCIL NOTE THAT THE CHANCELLOR HAS EXERCISED A DELEGATION UNDER THE COUNCIL DELEGATION POLICY AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GENERAL ACADEMIC STATUTE AND SECTION 283 OF THE EDUCATION AND TRAINING ACT 2020 TO:

- 1. GRANT QUALIFICATIONS TO THE GRADUANDS ON THE ATTACHED SCHEDULE FOR THE 2024 WINTER CORPORATE CYCLE ON 1-2 AUGUST AND THE 2024 SEPTEMBER MONTHLY CORPORATE CYCLE ON 19 SEPTEMBER.
- 2. GRANT QUALIFICATIONS TO THE GRADUANDS ON THE ATTACHED SCHEDULE FOR THE 2024 WINTER OFFSHORE CYCLE ON 2 AUGUST AND THE 2024 SEPTEMBER MONTHLY CERTIFICATES ON 19 SEPTEMBER.
- 3. GRANT QUALIFICATIONS TO THE GRADUANDS ON THE ATTACHED SCHEDULE FOR THE 2024 SEPTEMBER CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY (COP) CYCLE ON 19 SEPTEMBER.
- 4. REVOKE QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE STUDENTS ON THE ATTACHED SCHEDULE AHEAD OF THE 2024 WINTER CORPORATE CYCLE ON 1-2 AUGUST AND THE 2024 SEPTEMBER CORPORATE CYCLE ON 19 SEPTEMBER.

#### 4 COUNCIL MEETINGS AND MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

#### 4.1 Minutes of the previous meeting

#### Received

Draft Minutes (Part A), of the Council meeting held on 29 July 2024

#### Resolved

THE MINUTES OF PART A, COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 29 JULY 2024 BE CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD OF THAT MEETING.

#### 4.2 Matters Arising

#### Noted in discussion

Noted the status of matters arising.

#### 5 VICE CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

#### Received

Vice Chancellor's Report

#### Noted in discussion

- Recruitment of DVC Maori was live;
- Challenges of finding sufficient placements for students doing work integrated learning;
- Risk of funding reduction next year and volatility in student numbers despite robust budget process;
- Science System and University review processes were behind schedule but being carefully monitored;
- Internal Artificial Intelligence (AI) taskforce created to establish AI status quo and develop principles to frame AUT's approach;
- All challenges included managing privacy, cultural and safety risks while ensuring opportunities
  are pursued at pace acknowledging AUT wishes to be a leader in the space;
- AUT was starting to engage with other iwi in the rohe, noting Ngāti Whatua Orakei offer to facilitate korero with other iwi;
- Initiative to increase exchange programme students in AUT;
- Good success so far for the payroll giving and staff philanthropy which would add further support for students.
- The Aronui Ora working group would present two options for consideration by Council to facilitate its engagement and participation in the Aronui Ora programme.

 The options would take into account a need for flexibility in scheduling, and a condensed version will enable Council participation, options to be presented at the next Council meeting.

Action: Management to present options for Council participation in the Aronui Ora programme to the next Council meeting.

#### Resolved

THAT THE VICE-CHANCELLOR'S REPORT BE RECEIVED.

#### **6 CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**

#### Noted in discussion

Updates on UAG to be provided later in the meeting.

#### Resolved

THAT THE CHANCELLOR'S REPORT TO COUNCIL BE RECEIVED.

#### 7 PART A – REPORTS FROM BOARD, COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS OF COUNCIL

7.1 Academic Board Report and Minutes, 29 July and 26 August 2024

#### Received

Academic Board Reports and Minutes, 29 July and 26 August 2024

#### Resolved

THAT THE ACADEMIC BOARD REPORTS AND MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 29 JULY AND 26 AUGUST 2024 BE RECEIVED.

#### 8 HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELLBEING REPORT

#### 8.1 Health, Safety and Wellbeing Report, August 2024

#### Received

Health, Safety and Wellbeing (HSW) Report, August 2024

#### Noted in discussion

- · Near miss reporting was lower than expected but no significant issues had been raised from it;
- Assurances from Management that AUT was well placed to implement the HSW policy next year, if approved by Council;
- Actions taken by Management in response to increased serious incidents affecting students on
  placement, including quicker incident reporting from Te Whatu Ora and steps taken to brief
  students on risks and reality faced in placements;
- Opportunities should be undertaken to provide practical guidance to students on reducing risks faced outside of AUT's control e.g. use of buses late at night which also recognised their different economic circumstances.

#### Resolved

THAT THE HEALTH SAFETY AND WELLBEING REPORT FOR AUGUST 2024 BE RECEIVED.

#### 9 TE TIRITI REPORT

No report.

#### 10 STRATEGIC REPORTS

#### Received

**AUT Pacific Plan Update Report and Presentation** 

#### Noted in discussion

- Plan would create a consolidated approach to supporting Pacific students, staff and communities including more external engagement with AUT alumni;
- Lower Pacific pass rates, connected to inequities, were increasing and a part time PhD option created to stem decline in Pacific post graduate students;
- AUT was well positioned to be university of choice for many Pacific communities and was able to leverage existing relationships into the Pacific, as well as support new Pacific universities;
- Supported the direction of the Plan and requested quarterly updates on progress.

Action: Management to provide quarterly updates on progress of the Pacific Plan.

#### Resolved

THAT THE AUT PACIFIC PLAN UPDATE REPORT FROM FA'ALOGO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR JACOBA MATAPO, PRO VICE CHANCELLOR PACIFIC BE RECEIVED.

#### 11 STUDENT SUCCESS

No report

#### 12 CORRESPONDENCE REFERRED BY THE CHANCELLOR

#### Received

Letter from Te Kawa Mataaho/Public Service Commission and the Government Workforce Policy Statement

#### Resolved

THAT THE LETTER FROM TE KAWA MATAAHO/PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION AND THE GOVERNMENT WORKFORCE POLICY STATEMENT BE RECEIVED

#### 13 OTHER MATTERS FOR DECISION OR NOTING

#### 13.1 Update from AUTSA

#### Verbal Update

- AUTSA had provided input to the Academic Quality Audit and Pastoral Code Care self-review;
- Student preferences supported a blend of in-person and online learning modes;
- Need to raise and solve issue of lack of financial support for students on placements.

#### Noted in discussion

- AUT paid Te Whatu Ora for student placement;
- University should support student messaging to seek financial support for student placements;
- Precedent for payment to students for placements included medical students;
- Management had sought to alleviate placement issues through simulation hours and continued to look at other means to support students.

#### Resolved

THAT COUNCIL THE UPDATE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF AUTSA BE RECEIVED

#### 13.2 Update from Council Member elected by the Academic Staff of AUT

#### Verbal Update

 Opportunity to engage differently with secondary school colleagues given significant changes underway in curriculum policy.

#### Noted in discussion

- Management was recruiting roles to improve engagement with secondary schools seeking to understand their needs;
- AUT had comprehensive supports in place to help students transition from school to university, with more to be delivered by Ki Uta Ki Tai and potentially, AI;
- Through Covid, AUT had proved itself adaptable to the changing needs and types of school leavers.

#### Resolved

THAT THE UPDATE FROM THE COUNCIL MEMBER ELECTED BY THE ACADEMIC STAFF OF THE AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY BE RECEIVED

#### 13.3 Update from the Council Member elected by the Professional Staff of AUT

#### Verbal Update

 Professional staff had welcomed the opportunity and diverse engagement channels to feedback on key organisational plans;

#### Resolved

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#### 13.4. Health, Safety & Wellbeing Governance Policy

#### Received

Health, Safety & Wellbeing Governance Policy

#### Resolved

THAT THE HEALTH, SAFETY & WELLBEING GOVERNANCE POLICY BE APPROVED

#### 13.5. Pastoral Care Code AUT Self-Review Report

#### Received

Pastoral Care Code AUT Self-Review Report

#### Noted in discussion

- Commended Management on the comprehensive report, noting it was primarily a compliance document;
- Management's assurance it was already reporting to Council and students on the activities outlined in the report;
- AUT's student experience and services were generally well regarded by students.

#### Resolved

#### THAT THE PASTORAL CARE CODE AUT SELF-REVIEW REPORT BE RECEIVED

#### 13.6. Council and Committee Meeting Schedule 2025

#### Received

Council and Committee Meeting Schedule 2025

#### Noted in discussion

- New Council retreat dates should be circulated, aiming for January 2025 if possible;
- The Chancellor invited Council Members to offer agenda items for the retreat.

Action: Management to circulate alternative Council retreat dates, looking at January if possible.

#### Resolved

THAT THE 2025 MEETING SCHEDULE BE APPROVED

## 14 GENERAL BUSINESS AND ITEMS MOVED FROM PART B TO PART A None

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18. Report from AUT Ethics Committee	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	s7(2)(a), 7(2)(c), 7(2)(j), 7(2)(F)(i), 7(2)(f)(ii)
20.1 Draft Minutes of Finance and Audit Committee held on 23 September 2024		s7(2)(b), 7(2)(h), 7(2)(i), 7(2)(j)
22.1 Other Business	s 9(2)(b)(a), 9(g)(i) and 9(2)(j)	s7(2)(c), 7(2)(f)(i), 7(2)(i),

COUNCIL MEETING RAISED	ACTION	WHO	STATUS/ TARGET DATE
30 October 2023	<ul> <li>4.2 Matters Arising</li> <li>Management to work with Council members to develop programme for a Council retreat in early 2024, potentially at North or South Campus.</li> </ul>	Council Secretary	Actioned (Retreat settled for 21 January 2024)
30 September 2024	<ul> <li>Vice Chancellor's Report</li> <li>Management to present options for Council participation in the Aronui Ora programme to the next Council meeting.</li> </ul>	Kaihautu Tiriti	Open/December 2024
	<ul> <li>10.1 Strategic Reports (Pacific Plan)</li> <li>Management to provide quarterly updates on progress of the Pacific Plan.</li> </ul>	Pro Vice- Chancellor Pacific	Actioned
	<ul> <li>13.6. Council and Committee Meeting Schedule 2025</li> <li>Management to circulate alternative Council retreat dates, looking at January if possible.</li> </ul>	Council Secretary	Actioned