



COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY, 7 March 2024, 9.00 AM

A meeting of Massey University Council will be held at the
MANAWATŪ CAMPUS, REFECTORY BOARDROOM

Council Meeting - Part I



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MINUTES OF MASSEY UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

**THE MEETING OF MASSEY UNIVERSITY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE MANAWATŪ CAMPUS, REFECTORY BOARDROOM
on**

THURSDAY 7 DECEMBER 2023 AT 9.00 AM

PART I

Present:

Chancellor Michael Ahie (Chair), Pro-Chancellor Alistair Davis, Vice-Chancellor Professor Jan Thomas, Nigel Barker (via zoom), Paul Brock, Ross Buckley, Angela Hauk-Willis, Minnie Kalo Voi, Traci Houpapa (via zoom).

In Attendance:

Deputy Vice-Chancellor Shelley Turner, Director Governance and Assurance Heather Kirkwood, Governance Advisor Christabelle Marshall, Governance Advisor Chanell Meehan, and approximately 4 members of the public for Part I.

Apologies: Caren Rangī, Oriana Paewai, Academic Board Chair Associate Professor Claire Matthews, **Lateness:** Ross Buckley

1.0 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1.1 MEETING ARRANGEMENTS

1.2 KARAKIA/WHAKATAUĀKĪ/WELCOME

The Chancellor provided a mihi and karakia to open the meeting.

The Chancellor welcomed Council members present and everyone in attendance, including the members of the public present.

1.3 APOLOGIES

The apologies from Caren Rangī and Oriana Paewai were received.

1.4 OPEN FORUM – COLLEGE OF SCIENCES PROPOSAL FOR CHANGE PRELIMINARY DECISION

Dr Anne Wignall – Massey Staff Member, Senior Lecturer in Zoology and Ecology

Anne Wignall introduced herself and noted the potential personal impacts of the proposal. She noted the IC building is purpose built for research with a range of specialist features to advance science research and education. She raised concerns about the damage to Massey's reputation, risks to external research funding, and the significant cost to convert a purpose-built space. She also noted TEU has submitted an alternative proposal to save costs and maintain science research and education.

The Chancellor thanked Anne for her address and noted the Council will consider her thoughts.

Dr Daniel Thomas – Massey Staff Member, Senior Lecturer in Zoology and Ecology

Daniel Thomas introduced himself and described this proposal as a two-path option; one would create large job losses and the other would not. He raised concerns around financial risk and that comparisons of cost were not factored into the proposal. He noted there are two financial forecasts that have been developed by the College of Science and the other for staff within these portfolios; both forecasts are predicting shortfalls. He further noted the expected income and expense values would need to be factored in. He noted the proposal included sources of variation and would need to include a quantitative comparison of risk.

The Chancellor thanked Daniel for his presentation and queried whether the financial and risk assessment had been taken into account in the proposal. The Vice-Chancellor noted extensive financial analysis had been undertaken. A Council member noted Council are also analysing risk as well and that it is a difficult topic. The Chancellor acknowledged and thanked the presenters for their time noting their feedback.

Approximately 4 members of the public left the meeting at 9:22am.

1.5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST/REGISTER OF INTEREST

There were no interests declared for Part I of the meeting.

1.6 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA AND URGENT ITEMS

The agenda was received with all papers taken as read.

1.7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - PART I COUNCIL MEETING HELD 2 NOVEMBER 2023 (C23/125)

Action: Remove Ross Buckley as an apology for the last Council meeting held on 2 November 2023; he was present.

23-80 RESOLVED:

(Davis/Hauk-Willis)

THAT the minutes of the Massey University Council meeting held on 2 November 2023 [Part I Public] be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

1.8 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the 2 November 2023 Part I Council minutes.

1.9 COUNCIL ACTION SCHEDULE PART I

The Chancellor noted there were no outstanding actions.

1.10 COUNCIL WORK PLAN 2023 - PART I (C23/126)

The Director Governance and Assurance noted the 2023 work plan.

1.11 COUNCIL WORK PLAN 2024 - PART I (C23/127)

The Director Governance and Assurance noted the 2024 work plan. A Council member noted the workplan stated Friday 20 September as half day strategy day but his calendar notes this as Wednesday 18 September.

Action: Clarify the date of the September half-day strategy day and amend on Council work plan if required.

2.0 STRATEGIC

2.1 CHANCELLOR'S REPORT - PART I

The Chancellor did not provide a report.

2.2 VICE-CHANCELLOR'S REPORT - PART I (C23/128)

The Vice-Chancellor provided a verbal update noting the celebration of 20 years of Te Mata o Te Tau, advancing Māori research and scholarship. The Governor General hosted an event at Government House. The university foundation received a \$2.3M gift from two alumni through scholarships.

Council received the Vice-Chancellor's report and discussed the MBIE Endeavour Awards, funding received and the global impact of the university's research. It was noted that replacing the use of animals for science is a step forward in animal welfare. The Applied Professional Practice specialisation within the Bachelor of Business degree was noted as a fundamental differentiation and of benefit to students and future employers. The staff forums were noted as having provided staff with good opportunities for feedback. The need for support of international students was noted particularly for those with immigration challenges.

2.3 STRATEGY IN ACTION: RESEARCH IMPACT/GLOBAL REACH (C23/129)

The Vice-Chancellor noted the paper's focus on the achievements of College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Director College Projects - Institute of Education, Jenny Poskitt under Te Pou Rangahau – Research. The provost noted Jenny Poskitt's recent promotion to professor.

2.4 H&S REPORT – IC BUILDING (C23/130)

The DVC University Services noted the update regarding the Health and Safety concern pertaining to the Innovation Complex (IC) Building which was raised by a PhD student during the Open Forum of the September Council meeting. She noted the Executive Director of Estates Project Management has been active with both the Principal Contractor and the School of Natural Science to resolve the fumes and noise vibration issues. Works to address the fumes issue will be completed by 21 December, noting there is currently no solution to the vibration and noise.

23-81 RESOLVED:

(Leberman/Buckley)

THAT Council noted the Health and Safety concern regarding the Innovation complex Building and the works to remove the fumes being completed by 21 December 2023.

CARRIED

3.0 OPERATIONAL

3.1 MONTH END FINANCE REPORT – PART I (C23/131)

The Month End Finance Report was received by Council and taken as read. The DVC University Services noted the University's YTD operating deficit of -\$26.9m was \$34.5m worse than budgeted.

The Council discussed the positives in SLT raising cashflow and keeping Massey out of debt. It was discussed that trading is ahead of budget and operating deficit is always behind budget due to starting with an unrealistic budget. We need to ensure we begin next year with a budget that is realistic and achievable.

3.2 DELEGATED AUTHORITY FOR DEC-JAN PERIOD (C23/132)

The Vice-Chancellor noted this paper seeks the establishment of a special sub-committee to act on Council's behalf over the December-January holiday period where the calling of a quorate Council meeting may not be achieved, should the need arise. Further noting this is standard practice and will ensure the ability to make rapid decisions if required.

23-82 RESOLVED: (Buckley/Hauk-Willis)

THAT a Special Sub-Council be established with delegated authority to act on the Massey University Council's behalf as required covering the period from 15 December 2023 to 9 January 2024.

CARRIED

3.3 OUTCOME OF STAFF ELECTIONS (C23/133)

The Vice-Chancellor noted the outcome of the academic staff and professional staff elections and recommended that Distinguished Professor Gaven Martin and Ms Rebecca Arygle be appointed to the Council for a term of four years and three years respectively. She also noted the work of Professor Sarah Leberman and Nigel Barker during their time on Council.

23-83 RESOLVED: (Buckley/Huak-Willis)

THAT Council formally thanks and acknowledges the work of Sarah Leberman and Nigel Barker during their time on the Council.

23-84 RESOLVED: (Davis/Ahie)

THAT Distinguished Professor Gaven Martin be appointed as the permanent academic staff member on Council for a term of four years commencing 1 January 2024 and ending 31 December 2027 or lesser time if so determined.

THAT Ms Rebecca Arygle be appointed as the permanent professional staff member on Council for a term of three years commencing 1 January 2023 and ending 31 December 2026 or lesser time if so determined.

CARRIED

4.0 PAPERS FOR NOTING

4.1 ACADEMIC BOARD MINUTES 18 OCTOBER 2023 – PART I – CONFIRMED

4.2 ACADEMIC BOARD MINUTES 15 NOVEMBER 2023 – PART I – UNCONFIRMED

The Council noted the above listed paper.

5.0 RELEASE OF PART II MATERIAL INTO PART I

23-100 RESOLVED:

(Houpapa/Leberman)

“THAT Council confer to those listed, the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science (BVSc) and note that the University seal will be affixed to the parchments.”

CARRIED

6.0 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC (C23/134)

23-85 RESOLVED:

(Davis/Brock)

THAT Council excludes the public from papers as noted in the table.

CARRIED

THAT the Council excludes the public from the papers as noted in the following table:

General subject of each matter to be considered		Reason	Section 48(1) grounds
C23/135	Confirmation of Minutes Council Meeting 2 November – Part II	For the reasons set out in the Part I minutes of 2 November 2023 held with public present	
C23/136	Action Schedule Part II	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/137	Council Work Plan 2023 Part II	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/138	Draft 2024 Council Work Plan	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
Verbal	Chancellor’s Verbal Report	Personal privacy	s7(2)(a)
C23/139-140	Vice-Chancellor’s Strategic Update	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/141	Strategic Discussion: Horizon 2024 Overview	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/142	Performance Report and Statement of Service Performance	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/143	Divestment Plan Update	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/144	Albany Campus Options Paper	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/145	Risk Report	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/146	Council Committee Membership (FAC)	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/147-151	Ngā Kaiwhakapūmau Establishment	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/152-160	FAC Recommendations/Chair’s Report	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/161-162	AB Recommendations/Chair’s Report	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/163	Network Refresh Update	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/164	Security Incident Update	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/165	Draft Enrolment & EFTS Revenue Budget	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/166	H&S Q3 Report	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/167	Annual Insurance Renewal	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/168-169	In Council Graduations BVs	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C23/170	Month End Finance Report - Part II	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
Noting Papers			
i) AB Minutes – Part II – 18 October 2023 - Confirmed			
ii) AB Minutes – Part II – 15 November 2023 - Unconfirmed			

This resolution is 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 which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public as stated in the above table.

CARRIED

Part I of the meeting closed at 9:50 am.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Council 2024 Work Plan – Part I

+	7 MARCH	16 MAY	18 JULY	19 SEPTEMBER	7 NOV	5 DECEMBER
Location	Manawatū	Wellington	Manawatū	Auckland	Zoom (TBC)	Manawatū
Site Visit	Ngā Huia Vet 3 Construction Project (include capital projects contractor management) (DVC US)	Campus Gantry Crane Operations (CoS and DVC US)	COCA Workshops (CoCA)	Boating / Diving Research Operations (CoS)	N/A	Overlapping Duties and WIL (All Colleges)
Strategy Days	N/A	Wed 15 May – full day	Wed 17 July – half day (pm)	Wed 18 September – half day (pm)	N/A	N/A
Strategic Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chancellor Report • VC Report • Strategy in Action 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chancellor Report • VC Report • Strategy in Action 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chancellor Report • VC Report • Strategy in Action 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chancellor Report • VC Report • Strategy in Action 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chancellor Report • VC Report • Strategy in Action
Operational Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance Report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance Report • Proposed Meeting Schedule 2025 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance Report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance Report 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance Report • Delegated Authority for Dec/Jan period

MEETING DATE:	7 March 2024
AUTHOR:	Vice-Chancellor Professor Jan Thomas
SUBJECT:	VICE-CHANCELLOR'S PART I REPORT TO COUNCIL PERIOD: November 2023 – January 2024

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Recommendations

- Recommendation: That Council note this update on current issues, key achievements and highlights arising during the reporting period.

Executive Summary

This report is intended to be a high-level summary overview of the reporting period. I have taken the opportunity to provide links to information for further detail. I wish to continue to emphasise that given the size, depth and diversity of our multi-campus university, this report can only provide a point-in-time record of the accomplishments of our staff, students and wider community. Please forgive me for not being able to mention all of the wonderful mahi and achievements of the Te Kunenga ki Pūrehuroa Massey University whānau, both individually and in partnership across the university, and externally with our many communities, at home and across the globe. Many of these stories can be found on the [Massey News site](#) and other internal communication channels detailed in this report.

I highlight in this report just a few of the university's efforts and achievements in making Massey a place of equity and excellence, for students, staff and our community. I will seek to ensure that the content reflects, and speaks to the enactment of university's Strategic Plan, pou, attributes, and Te Tiriti foundation. In this regard, you will note that this report is provided in a format and structure to reflect the four strategic pou of the university.

Te Pou Rangahau – Research

Examples of the delivery of research excellence and its impact include:

- *Riddet Institute food scientist tops international research ranking*
A Massey University Professor is the top food scientist in New Zealand, according to the latest Stanford University international research rankings list of the top two per cent most influential scientists in the world in different disciplines.

Distinguished Professor Harjinder Singh is Director of the Riddet Institute Centre for Research Excellence based at the Manawatū campus. He is the highest-ranked food scientist in New

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Zealand, the second-highest in Australasia, and 19th in the world, in the discipline of food science and technology. Distinguished Professor Singh is also internationally ranked 3781 out of the top 210,198 scientists across all science disciplines.

- *McMeekan Memorial Award*
Head of the School of Agriculture and Environment, Professor Paul Kenyon, has been named as the 2023 recipient of an award that has been presented annually since 1975. The award recognised his sustained level of research excellence over a prolonged period - research that is making an impact and has resulted in practice change in the New Zealand sheep industry. [Read more...](#)
- *Four University Research Medals awarded for 2023*
University Research Medals are the highest awards for research bestowed by the university. Each year, the university recognises outstanding achievements of staff in up to five categories. [Two Individual, one Early Career and one Supervisor Research Medal](#) have been awarded to staff for exceptional research success in 2023. Congratulations to Professor David Hayman from the School of Veterinary Science Tāwharau Ora and Professor Regina Scheyvens from the School of People, Environment and Planning who have each been awarded an Individual Research Medal. Professor Pamela von Hurst from the School of Sport, Exercise and Nutrition has been awarded a Supervisor Research Medal, and Dr Alice Beban from the School of People, Environment and Planning has been awarded an Early Career Research Medal.
- *Signal discovery could be key to understanding global disease*
A research collaboration involving scientists from Massey University, AgResearch and New Zealand science company Flowjoanna has discovered a signal that indicates when human cells are infected with the parasite *Cryptosporidium*. This discovery may unlock new opportunities to prevent or treat an infection that kills children in their thousands around the world.

Cryptosporidium has been identified as the second most common cause of diarrhoea in infants, with one study reporting approximately 83,000 children under five died globally due to diarrhoea caused by this parasite. There are currently no vaccines for the disease. [Read more...](#)

- *Māori visual arts Professor named a Laureate*
Professor Robert Jahnke ONZM, Ngai Taharora, Te Whānau a Iritekura, Te Whānau a Rakairo o Ngāti Porou, from Whiti o Rehua School of Art has been named a 2023 Arts Foundation Te Tumu Toi Laureate. [Read more...](#)
- *Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) Research Funds*

Endeavour Annual Report RAGG results

School of Psychology Professor Fiona Alpass', Research Programme maximising workforce participation for older New Zealanders (concluded in 2023) was given a gold rating - one of only eight awarded nationwide. Professor Alpass is also currently working with the MBIE communications team for a story around the impact of this project that will feature on MBIE's website.

Mahi undertaken to foster, support and enable research excellence. Examples include:

- *Te Pou Rangahau Massey University Research Plan*
Te Pou Rangahau 2024-2027 is now available on the Massey University website [here](#). The plan sets out the research aspirations for the university for the next four years. It is intended as a high level, aspirational plan for all researchers. It advances from the previous Research Strategy (He Rautaki Rangahau 2018-2022) and the research rankings strategy (He Waihanga ake i Te Whare

Rangahau: Building a Research Powerhouse) and provides a pathway to support the realisation of the Te Kunenga Ki Pūrehuroa Massey University Strategy 2022-2027. The plan sets out our commitments to research excellence and Te Tiriti o Waitangi. It identifies research goals and associated actions to support researchers and research students, sustainability and climate action, entrepreneurship, civic leadership, and global engagement. Implementation and reporting on *Te Pou Rangahau* will be led by the University Research Committee, with support from the Office of the Provost, and with the expectation that this is a whole of university plan. Progress against the goals and actions will be reported to the Senior Leadership Team, Academic Board and the University Council on a regular basis.

- *New Open Access agreement with American Psychological Association*

Massey has signed a new Transformative/Read and Publish/Open Access agreement for 2024 with the American Psychological Association (APA). This provides the Institution's authors with uncapped publishing in APA's 87 hybrid journals. Eligible article types are research and review articles. CC-BY is the default license option.

The Council of Australasian University Libraries (CAUL) has issued a [press release](#) with further details about the agreement with APA. An alphabetical list of Massey's Read & Publish Agreements is located on the [Library Website](#).

- *Food Research*

Massey's Food Experience and Sensory Testing (FEAST) Lab has been awarded a \$1m contract by Fonterra to [explore methods to predict consumer responses to food products](#).

- *Marsden Fund 2023 Full Proposals – Outcomes*

Te Apārangi received a total of 922 proposals in the preliminary round, of which 225 were considered at the full proposal stage. These full proposals had requested funding of \$156.1 million (ex. GST) in total. Of the 225 proposals, the Marsden Fund Council recommended 123 proposals to be offered funding (76 Standard applications and 47 Fast-Starts), at a cost of \$83.591 million (ex. GST) over three years.

Of the 18 full proposals submitted in June, seven Massey projects were recommended to be funded. Massey researchers were also Associate Investigators on five other successful proposals. The total funding received for the Massey-awarded projects is \$4,948,000 (ex. GST), accounting for 5.9 per cent of the total national Marsden funding available for 2023. The seven successful grants were made up of two Fast-Start grants (for new and emerging researchers) and five Standard grants. Congratulations to all involved.

- *Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) Research Funds*

- *Unlocking Curious Minds Fund - Outcome*

One project has been successfully funded through the Unlocking Curious Minds Fund. This funding is for outreach activities designed to connect researchers with communities that have had limited opportunities to see the relevance of science and technology in their lives, and to encourage careers in STEM.

- *New funding awarded to pioneering research strengthening volcanic resilience*

New funding from Toka Tū Ake Earthquake Commission (EQC) has been awarded to a first-of-its-kind research project on infrastructure resilience to volcanic activity, led by Associate Professor Carol Stewart, School of Health Sciences. [Read more...](#)

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- Massey Lincoln Agriculture Industry Fund (MLAIF) - Outcomes**
 The MLAIF supports innovative research, teaching, professional development and/or industry focused commercialisation in agriculture, horticulture, biological sciences and related fields, that will benefit the primary sector. It is a joint initiative between Massey and Lincoln universities for the purpose of facilitating collaboration between, and capability development by, the two universities, working alongside primary sector stakeholders and primary industries. Each project team includes researchers from each university. Funding was awarded to five projects:

Primary Investigator	Lead-University	College/Faculty	Title	Value
Dr Rene Corner	Massey	College of Sciences	Shade and shelter on NZ sheep farms: farmer perceptions and animal needs	\$129,262
Dr Majula Kularathna	Lincoln	Faculty of Agriculture and Life Sciences	Evaluating the potential threat to New Zealand sweet potato (kūmara) industry by plant pathogenic nematodes	\$103,500
Professor Jonathan Proctor	Massey	College of Sciences	Te Hā o te Whenua – Transforming farm research and management through hyperspectral remote sensing	\$146,000
Dr Nicky Stanley-Clarke	Massey	College of Health	Coordinating Wellbeing: Mapping Landscapes of Support for rural young people	\$149,385
Dr Peter Tait	Lincoln	Agribusiness and Economics Research Unit	Mahere Atamai: New crops for a climate-resilient, diverse, and vibrant Māori economy	\$149,423

- Health Research Council (HRC) Funds**

Emerging Leader Fellowship - Update

In August 2023, Massey submitted three applications for the new HRC Emerging Leader Fellowships. All three applicants (Dr Marg Wilkie, Dr Belinda Borell, Dr Teah Carlson) were invited for an interview at the beginning of December 2023. The total value of the three applications is \$1,948,379. Results are due out on 14 March 2024.

Health Delivery Research Activation Grant - Outcomes

The Health Delivery Research Activation Grant provides support to enable established or prospective researchers and/or research providers to establish health delivery research evidence needs or research opportunities, or develop research capacity, before applying for further health delivery funding. These grants are designed to incentivise readying and planning for research where resourcing to get started is not otherwise available. This grant is available twice a year, and funding rounds run during April and August. In the first round we had three out of four successful applications. On 31 August, we submitted five applications for the second round of the HRC Health Delivery Research Activation Grants. Results released in mid-December brought success for four applicants (80 per cent success rate). Across both rounds in 2023, the success rate of 77.8 percent is Massey's highest annual success rate for this grant since it was introduced in 2020.

- BRANZ (Building Research Association of NZ) – Proposals and Outcomes**

In October 2023, four BRANZ proposals were submitted to the 2023 Building Research Levy. In December we were notified that two received 'conditional' approval, and one received 'support' dependent on follow up clarification discussions with BRANZ. As a result of those discussions, we were advised of the outcomes listed in the table below.

PI	School	College	Title	Value
Dr Simon Opit Awarded	SHORE & Whariki Research Centre	Health	Affordable alternative housing tenure pathways	\$174,590
Claire Flemmer Awarded	School of Built Environment	Science	Making New Zealand's built environment inclusive and accessible for everyone	\$187,930
Mikael Boulic <i>Advised to submit to the 'out of cycle' funding process</i>	School of Built Environment	Science	Heat stress, cooling behaviour, and preventive solutions in a changing climate - A modelling approach informed by monitored data	

Te Pou Ako – Learning and Teaching

Mahi undertaken to foster, support and enable an excellent learning environment. Examples include:

- *New student Orientation*
Our teams welcomed students onto our campuses (and online) recently, with Orientation kicking off on 19 February with international student orientation on each campus. An online orientation was available to our new distance students. It was an action-packed week that focused on welcoming our new students to the Massey whānau. Check out the [orientation website](#) for more information.

- *Teaching Excellence Awards*
The awards are managed by the Teaching Academy, and they recognise the sustained commitment to teaching and learning at Massey University. The recipients strive to enhance learning through a student-centred, enquiry-based approach.

This year there were three Vice-Chancellor's Teaching Excellence Award winners: The Chemistry Team, School of Natural Sciences (College of Sciences); John Murrie, School of Aviation (Massey Business School); and Dr Ute Kreplin, School of Psychology (College of Humanities and Social Sciences). The Mental Health and Addiction Programme, School of Health Sciences (College of Health) won the new Learner Success, Retention and Transitions Excellence Award. [More here...](#)

- *Designing a legacy with a nine-year Red Dot Awards success streak*
Toi Rauwhāangi College of Creative Arts has taken [second place in the 2023 Red Dot Design Awards for the Asia and Pacific regions](#), making it the ninth consecutive year of being in the top three universities.

- *Advance HE Fellowships*
Twenty one staff members across the university achieved Advance HE Fellowship in October. This is the culmination of coursework that began in March 2023 and represents an 85% success rate of course enrolments.

The Advance HE Fellowship demonstrates a commitment to professionalism and provides recognition of practice, impact and leadership in teaching and learning. More information around the Advance HE Fellowships can be found [here](#).

- *Speech Language Therapy programme now more widely accessible*
The university is shifting its training programme online from 2024 so it becomes accessible to all students no matter where they live. [Read more...](#)

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- *Building success with launch of new cutting-edge construction qualification*
 A new [Bachelor of Construction \(Honours\)](#) offering from the School of Built Environment will see students elevate their career by holding an internationally recognised post-degree qualification.
[Read more...](#)
- *Student and graduate success stories*
 Congratulations to Bachelor of Social Work student Shahmea Nowakowsky, Ngā Rauru Kītahi, who has been selected for the prestigious 2023 Prime Minister’s Scholarships for Asia programme. She will be one of 24 participants for the Reimagining India Study Tour in early 2024 as part of the programme.

Massey graduate and young entrepreneur Milli Kumar, the inventor behind EatKinda – cauliflower-based ice cream, took out two major awards at the [NZ Food Awards 2023](#). The team won the Below Zero Award and the Novel Award and have just launched their ice cream range in Countdown stores nationwide. Ms Kumar is currently completing a Master of Food Technology at Massey University and received the Massey Ventures Master’s Enterprise Bursary.

Bena Jackson, Master of Fine Arts student, has been awarded the Iris Fisher Scholarship. Ms Jackson makes sculptures and installations. Her practice considers community actions in public space and urban environments where agency, ingenuity, potential and tension intersect. Bena’s work has been included in exhibitions at the RM Gallery in Auckland. She has received the Collin Post Memorial Scholarship in Sculpture and a Massey University Master’s Research Scholarship as well.

Meg Higgs, first year Bachelor of Nursing student, has been awarded the Jodee Redmond Memorial Award for 2023. The Jodee Redmond Memorial Award was created in 2020 to honour the life of much-respected community nurse Jodee-Anne Genevieve Redmond Wager to recognise a first-year Bachelor of Nursing student who demonstrates personal qualities that are important within the nursing profession. These include a generosity of spirit, empathy towards patients and whānau, honesty, integrity, and the ability to positively influence others through words and actions.

Te Pou Tangata – People

Mahi undertaken to foster, support and enable an inclusive, respectful and safe environment. Examples include:

- *Kōrero with staff*
Staff Update is a weekly e-newsletter that shares information from across the university and works in parallel with *People@Massey*, which celebrates staff achievements and shares insights into the work our people do. *Staff Update* includes the latest updates from SLT, whether it is a message from myself or other relevant information from others in the team. This enhances the visibility of SLT members and our decision making. *Staff Update* includes information and updates that do not warrant a *Massey-all* email. Please note that the ongoing SLT *Focus on the Future* communications are provided via the weekly *Staff Update*, where possible.

Massey-all emails are used for significant items of interest that are time-critical and important to all staff, and generally will come direct from the Vice-Chancellor and members of the university’s Senior Leadership Team.

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We have also regularly been inviting staff feedback through an evergreen feedback mechanism, which you can find at [vcfeedback](#). This is monitored daily, and I respond to as many comments as is practical.

- *Focus on the Future: Catching up with the Vice-Chancellor*
Fresh back from the holiday break, I sat down with Executive Director Marketing and Communications Ruth Mackenzie to discuss the challenges of 2023, what's ahead for 2024, our divestment plans and the Financial Recovery Plan, amongst many other questions sent in from staff in recent months. You can [watch the interview here](#).

I hope this video will answer some initial questions staff might have, and as always, I encourage staff to send in any questions, comments or concerns to me via the [VC Feedback portal](#).

- *Vice-Chancellor staff Town Halls*
I will be hosting in-person forums on each campus in late February. These forums provide important opportunities for open dialogue, questions, feedback and discussions about the various projects underway across the university. I have encouraged staff to send questions or feedback ahead of the forums so these can be addressed, using the [VC Feedback portal](#).

Manawatū – 28 February – 12.30pm-1.30pm
Marsden Lecture Theatre, Science Tower B

Ōteahā – 29 February – 9.30am-10.30am
MBS Auditorium, Massey Business School

Pukeahu – 1 March – 9.30am-10.30am
LT200 Lecture Theatre

- *Professor Emeriti titles bestowed*
I'm proud to announce [five new Professor Emeriti](#), conferred by the Honorary Awards Committee at the end of 2023. Congratulations to Professors Clive Davies, John Cockrem, Richard Archer and Rosie Bradshaw, along with Distinguished Professor Marti Anderson, have all been awarded emeriti titles in recognition of their service to the university.

Congratulations also to [two new Professor Emeriti](#), Professors Robyn Munford and Julian Heyes, whose titles were conferred in 2023.

- *Massey continues to make strides towards decreasing the gender wage gap*
The latest [Pay and Employment Equity Monitoring and Analysis \(PaEE\) Report](#) shows that over approximately 10 years, the gender wage gap amongst Massey's general staff has decreased by seven per cent, from 17.2 per cent in 2009 to 10.25 per cent in 2020.

Te Pou Hono – Connection

Mahi undertaken to create, honour and sustain meaningful connections and partnerships, and addressing the world's big problems, matters of national interest, and promoting leadership. Examples include:

- *Massey shines in global Sustainability Ranking*
The Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) Sustainability Rankings framework highlights the different ways in which universities are tackling the world's greatest environmental, social and governance issues, which make up the three categories in which institutions are ranked.

The 2023 ranking has seen Massey rise 44 positions to now be ranked 81st in the world and third equal amongst New Zealand's universities. These results are especially noteworthy considering that the number of universities included in the 2023 ranking has doubled, from 700 universities worldwide in the inaugural ranking last year, to 1403 this year.

In the Environmental Impact component to the ranking, Massey ranked 63rd equal in the world, up from 104th in 2022. Notably, Massey excelled in the Environmental Education section, with a placement of 40th equal in the world. Massey's Master of Sustainable Development Goals, launched in 2020, is clearly contributing to this measure. In Semester 1 a [new Climate Change major](#) will be available in this degree.

In the newly introduced Governance component, Massey is ranked 89th equal globally. This component assesses different elements of best practice in this area, such as the centrality of ethics, good hiring practices and open and transparent decision making.

In the Social Impact component, the university is now ranked 140th equal in the world, a significant increase of 84 places from last year. Of note is Massey's positioning of 58th equal globally for Equality. The university also increased by more than 200 places each for the Health and Wellbeing, and Knowledge Exchange sections.

Research on the SDGs has contributed to Massey's rise of more than 200 places in the Environmental Research section of the QS Sustainability rankings, now ranked at 156th equal in the world.

These sustainability initiatives have also led to an Impact Ranking of 86th equal in the world for Massey in the 2023 Times Higher Education Impact Rankings, released earlier this year. Notably, top 35 placings worldwide were achieved for both SDG5 – Gender Equality and SDG8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth. Additionally, Massey attained rankings in the top 100 universities worldwide for both SDG11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities, and SDG15 – Life on Land. [Read more...](#)

- *2024 New Years Honours*
 Congratulations to the former staff and alumni recognised in 2024 New Year Honours List. Three former staff members and 10 alumni have been named in the [2024 New Year Honours List](#).
- *New directory of subject area experts for media*
 The Communications Team has created an online [media directory](#) so journalists can quickly and easily find academic experts to speak with and their contact details.
- *Mātairangi Mahi Toi Artist Residency*
 Award-winning musician THEIA is the 2023-24 recipient of the Mātairangi Mahi Toi Artist Residency. Theia is [a fierce proponent for the revitalisation of Māori language and culture](#).
- *Online curriculum resource released - Kōwhiri Whakapae*
 Associate Professor Tara McLaughlin from the Institute of Education and team, have released *Kōwhiri Whakapae* – the online curriculum resource. This resource is designed to help early learning kaiako strengthen teaching practice and formative assessment within the framework of Te Whāriki He Whāriki mātauranga mō ngā mokopuna o Aotearoa. They held the initial contract for the overall development of the resource and the social-emotional section. Institute of Education team members who contributed to the resource include Keri Cheetham, Dr Karyn

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Aspden, Dr Linda Clarke, Dr Huinga Jackson-Greenland, Dr Sala Tagoilelagi-Leota, Vicki Gifkins, Karen Mackay, Julie Houghton, Rachel Beazley, Dr Monica Cameron and Jan Macfarlane.

- *Research on diversifying the expertise of teachers*
Dr Jared Carpendale, Institute of Education, has been appointed as a member of the Steering Committee for a research project funded by the Australian Research Council Discovery Grant. The project, *Shifting the culture of out-of-field professional education for teachers*, aims to model an education system that would diversify the expertise of teachers as part of attending to the long-term teacher shortage.
- Dr Philippa Isom, Institute of Education, was awarded the Philosophy of Education Society of Australasia (PESA) Doctoral Scholarship for 2023. The Society supports doctoral students to advance serious philosophical discussion about education, and who are working at a high level in educational philosophy and theory.
- Professor Leonel Alvarado, School of Humanities, Media and Creative Communication, and Regional Director – Wellington, was awarded the Order of Rio Branco by the Brazilian Government for supporting the Brazilian Embassy in New Zealand and for the promotion of Portuguese and Brazilian culture in Oceania at a ceremony held at the Embassy in Wellington.
- Dr Nicola McDowell, Institute of Education, launched the ‘Austin Assessment App’ which is a vision screening tool for children with CVI (Cerebral visual impairment) related visual issues. A charity has been established to run the app – the Austin McDowell Foundation.
- *Serving up nutritional education to help communities in need*
Master of Science (Nutrition and Dietetics) students are improving the lives of young people in vulnerable communities through the delivery of education programmes focused on healthy eating, learning to cook and food security. One example is the Nestlé Cook for Life programme, where student dietitians are working closely with schools in South Auckland to teach young adults about nutrition, cooking and healthy eating. [Read more...](#)
- The Joint Centre for Disaster Research, School of Psychology, has completed a project titled *How Visual Design of Severe Weather Outlooks Can Affect Communication and Decision-Making* in collaboration with the New Zealand Meteorological Service to explore how visual variables affect comprehension, inferences, and intended decision-making for hypothetical scenarios. This research has enhanced an important tool to improve decision-making around potential severe weather.
- The Institute of Education Counselling team is involved in a collaboration project with the University of Auckland to set up a community counselling site to facilitate the collaboration between the two counselling programmes for staff and students, with a particular focus on pluralistic research and communities of practice.
- *Video on our commitment to being a Te Tiriti-led university*
Also in February Deputy Vice-Chancellor Māori Professor Meihana Durie, Rangitāne, Ngāti Kauwhata, Ngāti Porou, Ngāi Tahu, and I sat down for a wide-ranging kōrero at Te Rangimarie Marae in Manawatū. We discussed Massey’s commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi and the mahi and developments that are underway across the university, including our continued partnerships with the tangata whenua of our three campuses, our commitment to seeing students succeed and more. You can [watch the kōrero here](#).

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- *Making Massey 'irreplaceable'*
In February I sat down with George Heagney, a reporter from Stuff. He's very familiar with the struggles facing Massey and the wider university sector, so it was nice to chat over a coffee about those challenges, what we're doing to ensure a stronger financial position in the future, and some of our recent successes. The headline says it all for me – I do want Massey to be 'irreplaceable'. I know this is a big ambition, but I also know we have the people, passion and capability to make it happen. [Read more...](#)

MEETING DATE:	7 March 2024
AUTHOR:	Vice-Chancellor, Professor Jan Thomas
SUBJECT:	Strategy in Action: Dr Hona Black
SUBJECT:	STRATEGY IN ACTION: The work of Dr Hona Black

Recommendations

- That Council note the Strategy in Action paper on Dr Hona Black, Senior Lecturer in Te Putāhi-a-Toi School of Māori Knowledge.

Purpose

This paper has come to Council as evidence of Te Kunenga ki Pūrehuroa Massey University's Strategy in Action. This item focuses on the achievements of Dr Hona Black, whose work incorporates many elements of the strategy including ako – teaching and learning, rangahau – research and Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

Revitalising traditional elements of te reo humour in everyday language

Dr Hona Black, Tūhoe, Te Whānau a Apanui, Ngāti Tūwharetoa, is a Senior Lecturer in Māori knowledge at Te Pūtahi a Toi School of Māori Knowledge and has come full circle in the world of kura kaupapa. He first started as a pupil and now lectures on teaching for Māori medium schools. In between then and now, he attended Hato Pāora College and later returned as a teacher and Head of te reo Māori there before returning to Massey to complete his PhD.



When he's not lecturing, his research is focused on the evolution of the Māori language. His first book *He Iti te Kupu: Māori Metaphors and Similes* was followed by a second bilingual book *Te Reo Kapekape*, which literally translates to "the language of poking fun" - something Dr Black says is becoming somewhat of a lost art.

"Growing up, humour was always used to ease tension, to uplift sadness and to bring a little bit of laughter to gloomy situations. Humour wasn't reserved just for celebrations and happy occasions; it was woven into all aspects of everyday life.

"Today, we are so caught up in life that we forget to see the humour all around us. Growing up in my family, if you were too serious all the time, you would be labelled a "tou maroke" (a dry arse). These words are not insulting, but reflect Māori humour," he wrote in an [opinion piece](#) for the New Zealand Herald ahead of Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori last year.

At the end of 2023, Dr Black received a Fast-Start Grant from Te Pūtea Rangahau a Marsden, the Marsden Fund for his research project: *Kua kī taku puku, ko te waha o raro kei te hiakai tonu: The de-sexualisation of te reo Māori domains.*

He says English influence over the years has slowly eroded sexual language and humour because it was deemed rude, but it is completely different.

Using interdisciplinary methodologies, founded on tikanga Māori and kaupapa Māori, Dr Black's research will identify how sexuality was traditionally expressed and defined by examining extant literature, compositions and corpora such as harihari kai, pao, haka, pūrākau, ngeri and idiomatic expressions.

He will examine how sexuality is conveyed in more contemporary modes, performances and compositions such as those performed at Te Matatini, as well as interview te reo Māori experts to explore their perspectives on expressing Māori sexuality in both traditional and contemporary contexts.

"I want to contribute to a body of mātauranga on te reo Māori and sexuality by investigating how sexuality, food, identity and socialisation are all part of a complex and interwoven Māori cultural worldview, and re-introduce these forms of te reo Māori, idiomatic expressions, and viewpoints back into everyday language.

"The language of sexuality in te reo Māori is currently dormant, so I hope to bring together these dynamic modes of mātauranga as valuable tools of expression of sexuality for current and future speakers and learners of te reo Māori."

Dr Black completed his PhD in te reo, which was an important distinction for him.

"Writing in English wasn't really a choice. Growing up only speaking te reo Māori I appreciate the lack of resources for Māori to read things in te reo, and most of the audience I write for is Māori.

"I find it easier to write in te reo because it's my first language. Quite often it's more intensive writing Māori things in English because you're not just translating a language, it's a worldview. Sometimes English can't capture everything we want to say."

A key finding from his PhD was the difference in the te reo taught today, compared to how it was originally spoken.

"When my nan was young, te reo came from the gut. The language and our emotions originate in the gut and come up through the mouth. Today's language comes from the head, so our kids do not know how to give tongue and cheek."

Whānau affiliation to Massey

Dr Black's father, Tairahia Black, became a Professor at Te Kunenga ki Pūrehuroa Massey University and he was the first person to ever publish a thesis in te reo Māori. His aunt, Dr Charlotte Severne, was a former Assistant Vice-Chancellor Māori and Pasifika for the university.

Dr Black says he loves his mahi.

"I love my job. We've got a great team in Māori studies, and we have a really supportive boss Professor Hemi Whaanga, so it's a great work environment and I wouldn't want to be doing anything else."

Dr Black only speaks te reo to his young son, as does his partner who is non-Māori and has spent the past few years learning the language.

“My hope is that my boy grows up in a world where te reo Māori is spoken everywhere. As a kid I always remember people would look at you funny if they heard you walking around the supermarket speaking Māori, and they would stare. Today, it’s becoming much better, but I hope when my son grows up it is spoken more. I hope our ceiling becomes his generation’s floor.”

ENDS.

MEETING DATE:	7 March 2024
AUTHOR:	Deputy Vice-Chancellor – University Services, Shelley Turner
SUBJECT:	2023 YEAR END FINANCE REPORT – PART I

Recommendations

It is recommended that Council:

- Note the contents of the report.

Purpose

This report summarises the financial results for Massey University (the University) and its controlled entities (the group) for the year ended 31 December 2023.

For the purpose of this paper the group includes the following entities:

- Massey University (the University);
- Massey University Foundation Trust (MUF);
- Massey Ventures Limited (MVL) and its controlled entities; and
- Massey Global Limited (MGL) and its controlled entity.

It should be noted that the financial statements discussed are **unaudited** and may change following completion of the external audit conducted by Audit New Zealand.

Key Highlights of the Finance Report

Income Statement

	FY ACTUAL (unaudited) (\$000)	FY BUDGET (\$000)	FY VAR (ACT TO BUD) (\$000)
Government Grants	203,062	212,800	(9,738) ❌
Student Fees	169,345	170,273	(928) ✅
Research Income	94,101	82,731	11,370 ✅
Consultancy, Conference, Trading and Other Income	70,705	59,394	11,311 ✅
Total Income	537,213	525,198	12,015 ✅
Staff Related Expenses	330,306	291,575	(38,731) ❌
Depreciation	88,683	87,329	(1,354) ✅
Other Expenditure	163,704	146,294	(17,410) ❌
Total Expenses	582,693	525,198	(57,495) ❌
University Operating Surplus (Deficit)	(45,480)	0	(45,480) ❌
University Margin	-8.47%	0.00%	
Surplus (Deficit) from Controlled Entities	4,758	2,852	1,906 ✅
Group Operating Surplus (Deficit)	(40,722)	2,852	(43,574) ❌
Group Margin	-7.48%	0.54%	

The University's full year (FY) operating deficit was -\$45.5m against a breakeven budget, mainly due to lower-than expected student fees, student government grants, higher staff related expenses and higher other expenditure, partially offset by higher research income and consultancy, conference, trading, and other income as explained below.

Income

FY Income was \$12.0m above budget, due to lower government grants and student fees, being offset by higher research income and consultancy, conference, trading, and other income.

Expenses

FY total expenses of \$582.7m were above budget by \$57.5m mainly due to delayed progress in achieving savings targets in staff related expenses and other expenditure and restructuring costs.

Group Result

FY group deficit of -\$40.7mm was \$43.6m worse than budget due to the \$45.5m unfavourable variance from the University and a \$4.8m favourable variance from controlled entities. The \$4.8m favourable variance is mainly due to higher returns from managed funds held by MUF.

Balance Sheet

Balance Sheet			
	FY ACTUAL (unaudited) (\$000)	FY BUDGET (\$000)	FY VAR (ACT TO BUD) (\$000)
Current Assets	151,571	147,148	4,423 ✓
Non-Current Assets	1,796,601	1,744,090	52,511 ✓
Current Liabilities	264,221	259,566	(4,655) ✗
Non-Current Liabilities	31,564	35,910	4,346 ✓
University Net Assets	1,652,386	1,595,762	56,624 ✓
University Equity	1,652,386	1,595,762	56,624 ✓
Net Assets - Controlled Entities	52,135	45,971	6,164 ✓
Group Net Assets	1,704,521	1,641,733	62,788 ✓
Group Equity	1,704,521	1,641,733	62,788 ✓

The group's balance sheet continues to be strong. FY net equity as at 31 December 2023 was above budget mostly due to the higher than anticipated revaluation of Massey University properties. The University had no debt as at 31 December 2023.

Statement of Cash Flows

Statement of Cash Flows			
	FY ACTUAL (unaudited) (\$000)	FY BUDGET (\$000)	FY VAR (ACT TO BUD) (\$000)
Opening Cash and Cash Equivalents - University	42,755	11,641	31,114 ✓
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	37,424	86,847	(49,423) ✗
Net Cash Flow from Investing Activities	(56,776)	(99,829)	43,053 ✓
Net Cash Flow from Financing Activities	-	4,816	(4,816) ✗
Net Foreign Exchange Gain (Loss)	194	-	194 ✓
Closing Cash and Cash Equivalents - University	23,597	3,475	20,122 ✓
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Controlled Entities	4,650	2,939	1,711 ✓
Group Cash at End	28,247	6,414	21,833 ✓

The group's cash and cash equivalent balance was \$21.8m above budget mainly due to delays in capital spending.

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**MASSEY UNIVERSITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC BOARD**

**HELD VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
on**

WEDNESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2024 AT 1.30 PM

PART I

Present:

Associate Professor Claire Matthews (Chair), Vice-Chancellor Professor Jan Thomas, Dr Maria Borovnik, Cameron Causland-Taylor, Professor Stephen Croucher, Associate Professor Jo Cullinane, Sosefina Filo-Masoe, Professor Meihana Durie, Professor Jonathan Elms, Professor Ray Geor, Professor Tasa Havea, Professor Huia Jahnke, Professor Jill McCutcheon, Associate Professor Andre Mürnieks, Flynn O'Hallahan, Dr Marta Rychert, Distinguished Professor Peter Schwerdtfeger, Professor Nicolette Sheridan, Professor Fiona Te Momo, Professor Bryan Walpert, Professor Cynthia White, Hennessey Wilson.

In Attendance: Director Office of Academic Quality Reporting and Assurance Fiona Coote (acting as Academic Board Secretary), Director Education Futures Jean Jacoby, Director Governance and Assurance Heather Kirkwood, Communications Manager Jenna Nicols, Acting Provost and Dean Research Professor Tracy Riley.

Apologies: Provost Professor Giselle Byrnes, Pro-Chancellor Alistair Davis, Professor Lisa Emerson, Dr Tere McGonagle Daly, Professor Julieanna Preston, Associate Professor Veronica Tawhai, Professor Carol Wham, Professor Georg Zellmer.

Not in attendance: Professor Dianne Brunton, Professor Margaret Maille and Professor Matt Roskruge.

1. PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1.1 Introduction/Mihimihi

The Chair opened the meeting with a mihimihi and welcomed all members present and those in attendance.

1.2 Apologies/Quorum

The apologies were noted by the Board.

1.3 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared for the meeting.

1.4 Meeting Agenda Review

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It was observed that Distinguished Professor Marti Anderson from the NZ Institute for Advanced Study was omitted from the report on the Stanford University World's Top Scientists 2023.

***ACTION:** Congratulatory letters to be sent on behalf of the Board to award recipients as listed in the Vice-Chancellor's report.*

2.3 Student Report

General President Hennessey Wilson provided a verbal report to the Board and noted their student representative training was held on a marae for one week, and that students are back on campus in numbers not seen since COVID-19. It was noted students have expressed concerns around cuts in both Science and Humanities, noting the difficulties faced when courses have moved locations or caused in person students to study via distance. Concerns were raised around the health and safety of humanities staff due to an increase in workload resulting from the proposals for change. The potential sale of land and buildings was noted as not being communicated well to staff and students. Student service fees were noted to have almost doubled, they seek clarification around these costs and how this impacts distance students. It was noted that students have a low level of engagement with decision makers.

2.4 Copyright Material for Educational Purposes Policy (AB24/02/05)

Jean Jacoby provided an overview of the policy and noted that we are governed by the Copyright Act so much of the Policy is regulated by that. The Act allows the University to copy in excess of what is normally permitted under the Act but we are required to provide digital reporting, this is why we introduced E-reserve.

A question was raised about whether it is possible to reduce the number of steps required to input into E-reserve? Jean Jacoby noted there is not much that can be done as this service is delivered through by a third party provider. However, once the steps have been completed, that can be rolled over for the next time.

AB24-02

RESOLVED:

(Te Momo/McCutcheon)

THAT the Academic Board approve the Policy in the context of a regular policy review cycle.

CARRIED

2.5 Embargo Policy (AB24/02/06)

Professor Tracy Riley spoke to the Embargo Policy and noted changes made were to clarify the grounds for embargo which included relevant legislation. Good practice principles have been added. This Policy has been out for consultation for some time.

Around 10 – 15% of students request an embargo between 1 and 3 years. This is flexible though and extensions can be granted if students contact GRS. The Dean Research signs off embargo requests.

The Chair proposed an amendment to the title to be Thesis Embargo Policy rather than just Embargo Policy as this more accurately reflects the Policy.

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AB24-03 RESOLVED: (Mathews/Croucher)

THAT the Academic Board approve the Policy, with the amended title, within the context of a regular policy review cycle.

CARRIED

3. PAPERS FOR NOTING

- ★ 3.1 College of Sciences College Board Minutes 5 October 2023 – Part I **AB24/02/07**
- ★ 3.2 College of Sciences College Board Minutes 19 October 2023 – Part I **AB24/02/08**
- ★ 3.3 College of Business College Board Minutes 10 October 2023 – Part I **AB24/02/09**
- ★ 3.4 College of Business College Board Minutes 14 November 2023 – Part I **AB24/02/10**
- ★ 3.5 College of Health College Board Minutes 17 October 2023 – Part I **AB24/02/11**
- ★ 3.6 College of Humanities and Social Sciences College Board Minutes 20 October 2023 – Part I **AB24/02/12**
- ★ 3.7 University Research Committee Minutes 26 October 2023 – Part I **AB24/02/13**

The Board noted the papers as listed.

4. DECISIONS TRANSFERRED FROM PART II OF THE ACADEMIC BOARD MEETING

4.1 Conferment of Degrees Paper (AB24/02/16)

AB24-04 RESOLVED: (Cullinane/Mathews)

THAT the Academic Board approves the degrees be conferred, and the certificates and diplomas be awarded to those as listed in document AB24/02/16, and the seal affixed to the parchments.

CARRIED

5. MOVING INTO PART II - EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC (AB24/02/14)

AB24-05 RESOLVED: (Matthews)

THAT the Academic Board exclude the public from the papers as noted in the table below, excluding Director Governance and Assurance Heather Kirkwood and Director Office of Academic Quality, Reporting and Assurance Fiona Coote (acting as Academic Board Secretary)

General subject of each matter to be considered		Reason	Section 48(1) grounds
AB24/02/15	Confirmation of Minutes Academic Board Meeting 15 November 2023 – Part II	For the reasons set out in the Part I minutes of 15 November 2023 held with public present	

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General subject of each matter to be considered		Reason	Section 48(1) grounds
Verbal	Action Schedule – Part II	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
AB24/02/16	Conferment of Degrees and Awarding of Diplomas and Certificates	Personal privacy	s7(2)(a)
Papers for Noting			
College of Sciences College Board Minutes 5 October 2023 – Part II			
College of Sciences College Board Minutes 19 October 2023 – Part II			
College of Business College Board Minutes 10 October 2023 – Part II			
College of Business College Board Minutes 14 November 2023 – Part II			
College of Health College Board Minutes 17 October 2023 – Part II			
College of Humanities and Social Sciences College Board Minutes 20 October 2023 – Part II			
University Research Committee Minutes 26 October – Part II			

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 which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public as stated in the above table.

CARRIED

Part I of the meeting closed at 1.55 pm

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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MEETING DATE:	7 March 2024
AUTHOR:	Chancellor, Michael Ahie
SUBJECT:	EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

Recommendation

- That the Council exclude the public from the papers as noted in the table below:

General subject of each matter to be considered		Reason	Section 48(1) grounds
C24/08	Confirmation of Minutes Council Meeting 7 December 2023 – Part II	For the reasons set out in the Part I minutes of 7 December 2023 held with public present	
C24/09	Action Schedule Part II	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C24/10	2024 Council Work Plan Part II	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
Verbal	Chancellor’s Verbal Report – Part II	Personal Privacy	s7(2)(a)
C24/11	Vice-Chancellor’s Report – Part II	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
Verbal	Strategic Discussion	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C24/12	Enrolment Report	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C24/13	2025 Fee Setting Process	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C24/14	H&S Year End Report	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C24/15	Draft Council Statute	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C24/16	Procedures for Council and Committee meetings	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C24/17	Council Constitution	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C24/18	Te Tiriti o Waitangi capability work programme	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C24/19	Ngā Kaiwahakpūmau	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C24/20-21	FAC Chair’s Report	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C24/22	AB Chair’s Report	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)

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C24/23-25	PAC Chair's Report	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C24/26-28	Finance Update - Part II	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
Verbal	Appointments Update	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C24/29	Confirmation of Chancellor	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
C24/30	Confirmation of Pro-Chancellor	Improper gain or advantage	s7(2)(j)
Noting Papers			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) PAC Minutes 31 January 2024 – Part II (Unconfirmed) C24/31 ii) FAC Minutes 22 February 2024 – Part II (Unconfirmed) C24/32 			

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