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Unitec Research Ethics Committee

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(UREC) 15 May 2019 at 2.00 pm Building  
115, Room 1030.

## 1. APOLOGIES

Hoa Nguyen  
Kylie Jackson-Cox

### **In attendance**

Maria Humphries-Kil  
Nigel Adams  
Nano Morris  
Lisa Maurice-Takerei  
Cristiaan de Groot  
Tony Gomwe  
Tui Matelau  
Sue Wake

### **Present**

Asher Lewis

## 2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

## 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

That the minutes of the meeting held on April 17th 2019 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

**First: Nigel Adams**

**Second: Lisa Maurice-Takerei**

## 4. UREC REGISTER OF INTEREST AND MEMBER CONTACTS

Noted.

## 5. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None to be noted

## 6. CURRENT APPLICATIONS

- 2019-1013**      **Frankie**  
*Apia Flood Management: Weaving Fa'asamoa and Landscape Architecture*  
**Sue Wake**  
**Notes:** A well prepared application on an interesting research topic. The application requires minor aspects of clarification. The application will be using Talanoa as the research methodology, however this is not sufficiently explained in the application. UREC will put the applicant in touch with a Unitec Academic who can advise on this research methodology.  
**To be ratified**
- 2019-1014**      **Poulitaival**  
*From fun and games to serious business: Digital natives and digital technologies in construction education*  
**Maria Humphries-Kil**  
**Notes:** A well prepared staff application. There are several aspects of clarification needed with regard to small details of the application. The applicants will be conducting 'in class' research, where their students will also be subjects of the research and in particular, focus groups. Committee members suggested various methods to mitigate the risks involved in this.  
**To be ratified**
- 2019-1015**      **Hossain**  
*Home away from Home*  
**Nano Morris**  
**Notes:** This application has a significant number of problems, including the quality of the preparation but also the high level of risk to vulnerable communities.  
**To be ratified**

## 7. PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS

<b>2019-1008</b>	<b>Singh</b> <i>Hybrid muffler design for improving the sound output of the motor vehicle exhaust system</i> <b>Nigel Adams</b> <b>Ratified</b>
<b>2019-1009</b>	<b>Turner</b> <i>An explorations of patients' understanding of their presenting complains following osteopathic consultations</i> <b>Rob Moran</b> <b>Ratified</b>
<b>2019-1010</b>	<b>Roycroft</b> <i>Pūtahi a Whenua: voices flowing as one</i> <b>Tui Matelau</b> <b>Ratified</b>
<b>2019-1011</b>	<b>Ratana</b> <i>Ha Whakaruruhau – A Place of Safety</i> <b>Cris De Groot</b> <b>Ratified</b>
<b>2019-1004</b>	<b>Zhuo</b> <i>Evaluating Student Use of Smartphones in One Beijing School</i> <b>Kylie Jackson-Cox</b> <b>Ratified</b>

## 8. FORM B APPLICATIONS FOR NOTING

None to be noted

## 9. FORM CAPPLICATIONS

None to be noted.

## 10. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS

## 11. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Recruitment underway with several good candidates.

## **12. CORRESPONDENCE**

Toni Rewi has been granted Site approval by Marcus Williams, Dean of Research to conduct research approved by the University of Waikato's Ethics Committee.

## **13. GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **13.1. Recommendations for Changes to UREC procedures (Memo attached)**

UREC has unanimously approved the recommendations with some caveats on the language of the memo. The amended memo will be circulated.

### **13.2. Discussion of possible screening questions for Ethics applications To be discussed at the June Meeting.**

## **14. APOLOGIES FROM READING APPLICATIONS**

Kylie Jackson Cox  
Hoa Nguyen

## **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING:**

**19<sup>th</sup> June 2019, 2pm – Building 115, Room 1030.**

