

NMIT COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS STATUTE

MOKAMOKA WHAKAAETANGA | APPROVAL DETAILS

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NGĀ WHAKATIKATIKA | AMENDMENT HISTORY

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1	01.01.2026	NMIT Council	New

Mō wai me te whānuitanga | Audience and scope

This Statute applies to:

- a) Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology (NMIT) Council members; and
- b) those eligible for appointment or election to Council

Te Pūtaki | Purpose

The Council makes this statute under section 320 of the Education and Training Act 2020 (**Act**).

This statute governs the election and appointment of those members of the Council appointed to the Council by resolution, in accordance with section 320 of the Act.

Kaupapa Here | Policy Statements

1. Membership

1.1 In accordance with NMIT’s Constitution and section 317 of the Act, the Council comprises seven (7) members, as follows:

- (a) Four (4) members appointed by the relevant Minister –
- (b) Three (3) members appointed by the Council by resolution in accordance with this statute.

2. Criteria for appointment

2.1 In making appointments, the Council will have regard to section 318 of the Act. Specifically, the Council will seek to ensure that:

- (a) the Council should, as far as is reasonably practicable, reflect the communities in the region that the Provider serves; and
- (b) that, in the Council’s opinion, any appointed members:
 1. have relevant knowledge, skills and experience in relation to governance

2. are likely to be able to fulfil their individual duties to the Council; and
3. are, together with the other members of the Council, capable of undertaking the Council's responsibilities, duties and functions
4. must bring knowledge, experience and expertise in relation to Te Tiriti o Waitangi and demonstrate the ability to ensure that governance decisions reflect its principles.

2.2 Without limiting anything in clause 2.1 of this statute, the Council shall also ensure that:

- (c) at least one (1) Council member is Māori, and Council shall make this appointment in consultation with Te Taihū iwi through Te Taihū Iwi Chairs Forum
- (d) appointed members have a commitment to the role and purpose of polytechnics and vocational education.

3. Process for appointments

3.1 The Appointment and Remuneration Committee will be responsible for identifying, and recommending to the Council, potential candidates for Council membership to be appointed, or re-appointed (in the case of existing Council members) by Council resolution in accordance with this statute.

In the absence of an Appointment and Remuneration Committee, the Council as a whole shall undertake the process set out in this clause 3, and references to the Appointment and Remuneration Committee shall be read as Council.

3.2 In carrying out its function under clause 3.1, the Appointment and Remuneration Committee:

- (a) must give effect to the purpose of this statute
- (b) must give consideration to the desired balance of knowledge, skills, experience and diversity on Council with reference to the criteria for appointment set out in clause 2 of this statute
- (c) must call publicly for applications from interested persons (and determine the process and timeframe in which applications must be provided) and may also identify suitable candidates of its own initiative, provided that at Council's direction, the Appointment and Remuneration Committee may elect to work with Te Taihū Iwi Chairs Forum to identify the Council member appointed under clause 2.2 (a) of this statute (and not to call publicly for applications)
- (d) must ensure that potential candidates are considered on merit and against the criteria for appointment set out in clause 2 of this statute
- (e) must have regard to the importance of diversity of Council membership (including as provided in section 318 of the Act).

4. Term

4.1 The provisions governing terms of members, vacation of office, casual vacancies and removal of members are as set out in Schedule 11 of the Act.

4.2 The Council may re-appoint any member of Council for a second or subsequent term, provided that the total period for which that person is a member of the Council does not exceed eight (8) years (consecutive or otherwise).

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