

## THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Governors was held on Friday, January 28, 2005, at 8:00 a.m. in the Board and Senate Room, Old Administration Building.

Present: Mr. John M. Reid, Chair  
Dr. Martha C. Piper, President  
Chancellor Allan McEachern  
Ms Mia Amir  
Mr. Brad Bennett  
Ms Nicole Byres  
Dr. Dennis Danielson  
Mr. Brian Duong  
Dr. Arun Garg  
Ms Jay Grewal  
Dr. Gregory Lawrence  
Mr. Ben Pong  
Mr. Bryce Rositch

A message of regret for absence was received from Mr. James Eccott and Mr. Douglas Whitehead.

In Attendance: Mrs. Nina Robinson, Secretary to the Board  
Dr. Barry McBride, Deputy Vice Chancellor, UBC Okanagan  
Dr. Lorne Whitehead, Vice President Academic & Provost  
Mr. Terry Sumner, Vice President, Administration and Finance  
Dr. Indira Samarasekera, Vice President, Research  
Mr. Brian Sullivan, Vice President, Students  
Mr. Dennis Pavlich, Vice President External and Legal Affairs  
Ms Lisa Castle, Associate Vice President, Human Resources  
Mr. Al Poettcker, President & CEO, UBC Properties Trust  
Mr. Geoff Atkins, AVP, Land & Building Services

### OPEN AGENDA

### REMARKS

Board Chair (Mr. John Reid)

The following members of the UBC Debating Society Team were in attendance: Rahim Moloo, Spencer Keys, Adam Pauls, Teddy Harrison and Adam Davies. The members of the team were congratulated on their success at the 2005 World Universities Debating Championships (WUDC). It was noted that UBC will be hosting

the WUDC in the winter of 2006/07. Mr. Spencer Keys was recognized as the incoming President of the Alma Mater Society.

Mr. John Reid noted that it was the last meeting for Dr. Indira Samarasekera as well as Ms Jay Grewal, Dr. Dennis Danielson and Mr. Ben Pong. He thanked them for their contributions to the deliberations of the Board. He indicated that formal recognition of the services of retiring Board members would be made at a dinner following the meeting on July 14, 2005. Mr. Reid also recognized new members of the Board Ms Belle Dale-Wills and Dr. Andrew Irvine, who will take office on February 1, 2005, and Mr. Timothy Louman-Gardiner and Mr. Quinn Omori who will take office on April 1, 2005.

### President

The President updated the Board regarding two visits prior to the Christmas break to New York and to Ottawa. The New York trip involved a major alumni event hosted by Mr. Martin Glynn of HSBC. The Ottawa trip was attended by the Vice Presidents, all of the Deans and representation from UBC O. This was a full day with an opportunity to meet with people from the granting councils, the government and deputy ministers. In the evening there was a dinner with all members of parliament from British Columbia being invited.

President Martha C. Piper advised the Board that a memorial service for the victims of the tsunami had been held on January 5, 2005, at the Chan Centre for the Performing Arts. At the ceremony, Dr. Piper had announced two initiatives in light of our Trek 2010 commitment to global citizenship.

- (1) A steering committee co-chaired by Brian Sullivan, VP Students and Lorne Whitehead, VP Academic & Provost will be formed with student, staff and faculty representation to coordinate and organize the expertise, knowledge and volunteerism that we will bring to bear over the next months to respond to this global challenge.
- (2) The President has asked the Development Office to initiate a major fund-raising effort here in the UBC community with an overall target of \$2M: \$1M to be directed to one or more of the agencies raising dollars for immediate relief funds, and \$1M to be directed to the establishment of a long-term endowment addressing ongoing global needs.

The Board Chair thanked Dr. Piper for a very meaningful response to this incomprehensible tragedy.

### **OPEN AGENDA CONSENT ITEMS**

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the following items designated "consent" on the open agenda of the January 28, 2005, Board meeting be and are hereby approved as presented.**

**CARRIED.**

People

Recommendations from Senate

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the following recommendations from Senate be approved, subject, where applicable, to the proviso that none of the programs be implemented without formal reference to the President; and that the Deans and Heads concerned with new programs be asked to indicate the space requirements, if any, of such new programs.**

**CARRIED.**

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That, as recommended by Senate, the Board hereby approves the following action as required under the University Act, Sections 37 (1) (i) (o) and 38).**

**CARRIED.**

**Senate Meeting of November 24, 2004**

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the Board of Governors concurs with the recommendation of Senate in approving curriculum proposals from the Faculty of Graduate Studies as listed.**

**CARRIED.**

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the Board of Governors concurs with the recommendation of Senate in approving the change in name of the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences to the Faculty of Land and Food Systems effective February 1, 2005.**

**CARRIED.**

Senate Meeting of December 15, 2004

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the Board of Governors concurs with the recommendation of Senate to approve the establishment of new awards as listed.**

**CARRIED.**

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the Board of Governors concurs with the recommendation of Senate to approve curriculum proposals from the Faculty of Graduate Studies as listed.**

**CARRIED.**

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the Board of Governors concurs with the recommendation of Senate to approve the merger of the Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology and the Department of Physiology under the new name of Department of Cellular and Physiological Sciences in the Faculty of Medicine.**

**CARRIED.**

Learning & Research

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

The Board approves the following Endowment Deeds:

A. Faculty of Applied Science

- 1. Ratner Johnson Endowment Fund for Doctoral Education in Nursing**
- 2. Sally Thorne School of Nursing Endowment Fund Terms of Reference**

B. Faculty of Arts

- 1. Doris Shadbolt Endowment Fund for the Arts Terms of Reference**

C. Faculty of Graduate Studies

- 1. Simons Centre for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Research Directorship Endowment Fund Agreement**
- 2. Simons Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Disarmament and Non-Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction and their Delivery Systems Endowment Fund Agreement**

D. Faculty of Medicine

**1. Walter George Johnston Fund for Schizophrenia Research Endowment Fund  
Terms of Reference**

E. Scholarships, Awards etc.

**NEW AWARDS – ACADEMIC MERIT-BASED**

*Scholarships:*

- 1. Arthur and Norman CAMERMAN Entrance Scholarship**
- 2. CHARLES River Laboratories Scholarship in Animal Welfare**
- 3. Ray COLE Architecture Scholarship**
- 4. Alan KRAUS Scholarship**
- 5. Lily LEE Scholarship in Nursing**

*Prizes:*

- 6. John N. PATON Memorial Prize**

**NEW AWARDS – FINANCIAL NEED-BASED**

*Bursaries:*

- 7. GRADUATING Class of Dentistry 1976 Bursary**
- 8. Stephen STRAKER Arts One Bursary**

**NEW AWARDS – SERVICE, LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES**

- 9. Robert and Kazuko BARKER Award**

**Previously-Approved Awards With Changes in Funding Source:**

- 10. Award 00524 – Guenter Felix SANDERS Scholarship**

**CARRIED.**

**OPEN APPROVAL ITEMS**

*Property & Planning*

Integrated Biodiversity Centre (Board 2)

The following documentation had been circulated:

- Executive Summary dated January 7, 2005
- Project Management Process
- Previous Board Action
- Location Map

Ms Byres advised that this item was also reviewed by the Finance Committee for information.

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the following action be and is hereby taken in connection with the Integrated Biodiversity Centre.**

**Board 2**

**Approval**

**Preliminary Budgets**

**Capital Budget:**

**\$48,900,000**

**Operating Budget**

**1,030,000**

**Schedule**

**Program**

**Consultant Selection**

**Patkau Architects Inc.**

**Proceed to Schematic Design**

**Funding Release**

**\$ 250,000**

**Noted for information that there are no expenses to date.**

**CARRIED.**

John M.S. Lecky Boathouse (Board 3)

The following documentation had been circulated:

- Executive Summary dated January 6, 2005
- Project Management Process
- Previous Board Action
- Rendering
- Schematics

Ms Byres indicated that the “approval to commence construction of floating platform” has been deleted from the recommendation.

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the following action be and is hereby taken in connection with the John M. S. Lecky UBC Boathouse:**

**Board 3**

**Approval**

**Schematic Design**

**Proceed to working drawings & tender**

**Funding Release** **\$305,000**

**Noted for information that expenses to date total \$114,900**

**CARRIED.**

Food, Nutrition and Health (Board 4)

The following documentation had been circulated:

- Executive Summary
- Project Management Process
- Previous Board Approvals
- Site Map

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That, subject to the receipt of tenders within budget, the following action be and is hereby taken in connection with the Food, Nutrition and Health Building.**

**Board 4**

**Approval**

**Final Budgets**

**Capital Budget** **\$4,000,000**

**Operating Budget** **\$ 52,000**

**Award of Contract**

**Funding Release** **\$3,580,000**

**Noted for information that expenses to date are \$160,000 and funding releases to date total \$420,000.**

**CARRIED.**

Board members will be advised by e-mail if tenders come in before the March Board meeting.

UBC Renew—Buchanan A & D (Board 1 and 2)

The following documentation had been circulated:

- Executive Summary dated January 6, 2005
- Project Management Process: Summary of Board Approvals
- Previous Board Action
- UBC Renew: Phases for Board Approval

The status of UBC Renew funding and scheduling was also reviewed under the Property & Planning information section of the meeting.

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the following action be and is hereby taken in connection with UBC Renew Phase 4:**

**Board 1**

**That the project in principle and its location be approved.**

**Board 2**

**Preliminary Budgets**

**Capital Budget** **\$13,517,490**

**Operating Budget** **\$ 499,000**

**Program** **Filed with the Board Secretary**

**Consultant Selection** **Busby & Associates**

**Proceed to Schematic Design**

**It is noted for information that there have been no funding releases or expenses to date.**

**CARRIED.**

Revision to Hawthorn Place Master Development Agreement

The following documentation had been circulated:

- Executive Summary dated January 6, 2005
- Mid Campus Land Use Plan

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That approval is hereby given to reallocate an area in Hawthorn Place currently defined as University Rental Housing to market leasehold or co-development.**

**CARRIED.**



## Library Gardens Rehabilitation (Board 1)

The following documentation had been circulated:

- Executive Summary dated January 7, 2005
- Map: Library Gardens Rehabilitation Project
- Project Management Process Summary of Board Approvals
- Previous Board Action
- Table 1: Cost estimates for Library Gardens

Mr. Bryce Rositch felt that this is a great opportunity for students to be involved in the planning of the gardens. He suggested that they should not only be consulted, but should be proactive about the use of the gardens. Mr. Rositch also suggested the inclusion of a “ceremonial walk.”

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That, with respect to the Library Gardens Rehabilitation (Board 1), approval is hereby given to the project in principle and its location.**

**CARRIED.**

## Advisory Urban Design Panel Appointments

The following documentation had been circulated:

- Executive Summary dated January 6, 2005
- Previous Board History
- Resume—Linda Moore

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That Ms Linda Moore, Associate Director for University Town in External Affairs, be appointed to the Advisory Urban Design Panel to fill the vacant Faculty/Staff position for a two-year term ending December 2006.**

**CARRIED.**

Irving K. Barber Learning Centre—Post Board 3 Funding Release

The following documentation had been circulated:

- Executive Summary dated January 6, 2005
- Project Management Process
- Previous Board Action

Mr. Bryce Rositch noted that a floor plan change may result in extra costs of approximately \$500,000 for consulting and implementation. Although he recognized that there were valid reasons for the changes, he felt it is important that user groups visit plans early in the process so that extra costs are not incurred.

Dr. Dennis Danielson referenced the new technology involved in re-stocking the books in the library, and cautioned that this system should be looked at with a critical eye.

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the following action be and is hereby taken in connection with the Irving K. Barber Learning Centre:**

**Approval of a funding release in the amount of \$10,000,000.**

**It is noted for information that expenses to date total \$19,847,500.**

**CARRIED.**

### *Finance*

ICORD (International Collaboration on Repair Discoveries) Building Financing

The ICORD building is the result of a collaborative partnership between UBC, VCHA (Vancouver Coastal Health Authority) and RHMIMF (Rick Hansen Man in Motion Foundation). The goal of the collaboration is to establish one of the world's premier sites to effectively develop strategies and promote functional recovery after spinal cord injury. The proposed ICORD building, to be located at West 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Willow Street, replacing the Willow Chest Building, will enhance multi-disciplinary approaches to new discoveries through shared research and collaboration of eight core facilities within 7,000m<sup>2</sup>.

It was noted that Vancouver Coastal Health Authority will hold title to the building.

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the Board of Governors hereby approves the following:**

- 1. the University Administration executing a tripartite Memorandum of Understanding between the Rick Hansen Man in Motion Foundation (RHMIMF), Vancouver Coastal Health Authority (VCHA) and UBC wherein the parties agree to fund, construct, and operate the ICORD building provided this agreement is finalized upon substantially the same terms as those incorporated in the draft dated January 10, 2005.**
- 2. internal financing of 20% of the CFI eligible expenses for the ICORD building, up to \$6.45 million, and an additional \$1.7 million to enable the construction of an extra floor for a total financing of \$8.15 million, to be repaid over 20 years;**
- 3. subject to appropriate security being provided by RHMIMF, the University funds any RHMIMF share of the ICORD building construction draws, anticipated to be in the range of \$500,000, until March 31, 2006, at which time any University funds advanced on behalf of RHMIMF will be reimbursed.**

**CARRIED.**

Policy #90—Over-Expenditure on Research and Specific Purpose Trust  
Project/Grants

The proposed revisions to Policy #90 provide greater clarification of the responsibilities of researchers, heads of units and research and trust accounting to ensure that UBC exercises prudent fiscal management over research funds.

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the proposed revisions to Policy #90: Over-Expenditure on Research and Specific Purpose Trust Project/Grants be and are hereby approved.**

**CARRIED.**

Pharmaceutical Sciences--Application Fee

A broad based admission procedure was implemented in 2000. Five years data related to direct and indirect costs associated with the admission process had shown the current fee to be insufficient to recover all costs. It was noted that the proposal is supported by the Pharmacy Undergraduate Society.

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the Board hereby approves the proposed increase in the application fee for Pharmaceutical Sciences from \$100 to \$125 effective February 1, 2005.**

**CARRIED.**

Master of Fine Arts Creative Writing Optional Residency Fees

The proposed fee structure will enable the department to recover anticipated costs.

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the Board hereby approves differential fees of \$16,800 for Canadian students and \$27,600 for international students for the new optional-residency (distance education) version of the existing degree of Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing.**

**CARRIED.**

Tuition Proposal—Faculty of Law 2005/06 to 2007/08

The above-referenced tuition proposal for the Faculty of Law was deferred.

*Community & International*

Naming and Re-naming of Buildings and Facilities

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That the Board hereby approves the following:**

- (1) a dedicated north-south right-of-way in the Theological Neighbourhood be named St. Andrew's Walk**
- (2) the facility previously known as "Loon Lake" be re-named Loon Lake Research and Education Centre**
- (3) building #376-1 formerly known as "Dorothy Somerset Studio" be re-named Frederic Wood Theatre Addition**
- (4) the building name "Centre for Integrated Computer Systems Research/Computer Science, abbreviated as CICS/CS be changed to Institute for Computing, Information and Cognitive Systems/Computer Science (abbreviated as ICICS/CS) and the new addition being added be**

**named ICICS/CS Addition**

**CARRIED.**

***Employee Relations***

Amendment No. 6 to the January 2003 Plan Consolidation of the University of British Columbia Staff Pension Plan

The requested amendments were made for the following reasons:

- To provide clarification and correction in the Plan Consolidation.
- To simplify the early retirement reduction.
- To simplify optional forms of pension.

In response to a question, the Board was advised that the amendments would be posted on the Staff Pension Plan web site and that a news letter would be sent to employees.

**IT WAS RESOLVED,**

**That Amendment No. 6 to the January 2003 Plan Consolidation of the University of British Columbia Staff Pension Plan be approved, and further,**

**That the President and the Vice-President, Administration and Finance be and are hereby authorized and empowered to approve on behalf of the Board of Governors of the University of British Columbia any revision to Amendment No. 6 to the January 2003 Plan Consolidation of the University of British Columbia Staff Pension Plan as may be required:**

- (a) By Canada Customs and Revenue Agency, to ensure continued registration under the Income Tax Act (Canada) of the Plan as amended;**
- (b) By the Deputy Superintendent, Pensions, to ensure continued registration under the Pension Benefits Standards Act of the Plan as amended; or**
- (c) In the opinion of the Plan's legal counsel, to avoid any breach of the law.**

**CARRIED.**

**OPEN INFORMATION ITEMS**

***Property & Planning***

## Capital Projects Update

Ms Nicole Byres noted that Mr. Al Poettcker had given a powerpoint presentation at the Property & Planning Committee meeting.

### South Campus Neighbourhood Plan Update

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated January 6, 2005
- CHART South Campus Planning Process

### UBC O Campus Master Plan

In September 2005, UBC will assume responsibility for the University programs offered by OUC at the North Campus site in Kelowna. UBC will integrate the UBC Okanagan Campus with the entire operations of UBC.

The Board of Governors will consider the final draft UBC Okanagan Campus Master Plan for formal approval when the planning process is completed.

### University Boulevard Architectural Design Competition

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated January 7, 2005
- Previous Board Action
- U Blvd. Architectural Competition Graphic: Scope of Competition Drawing
- Long List of Expressions of interest (received November 30, 2004)
- Competition Overview

Ms Byres referenced a presentation made by Ms Brenda Ogembo, Vice President Academic and University Affairs, AMS, at Committee regarding the process for selecting finalists.

### Major Projects Status Report

The Major Projects Status Report dated January 2005 had been circulated and was received for information.

### UBC Renew Agreement with Provincial Government

UBC Renew will update facilities to provide buildings with another 40 years

of life, enable faculties to meet evolving pedagogical requirements and, through the APPA Level 2 maintenance to be budgeted, ensure that life cycle costs are minimized as required by UBC economic sustainability initiatives.

Under the approved-in-principle funding partnership agreement, UBC and AVED will each contribute \$60 Million for comprehensive rehabilitation of older buildings on campus. The schedule has been revised to complete building projects with the greatest deferred maintenance and that will impact the most students.

### Olympic Arena Update

Mr. Brian Sullivan indicated that this item will be coming forward to the March 2005 Board meeting.

### ***Finance***

#### General Purpose Operating Funds Projection to March 31, 2005

The GPOF report projects a surplus at year-end of \$3 Million, which is a \$0.8 Million increase from the previous forecast of \$2.2 Million.

#### Budget 2005/06

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Budget Outlook 05/06 (copy of power point presentation)
- “Investing in Our Future” 2005/06 UBC Universities Joint Budget Submission to the Provincial Government dated October 2004

President Martha Piper gave a comprehensive powerpoint presentation with respect to the budget for 2005/06.

### ***People***

#### Award Winners

Faculty

Students, Staff and Alumni

The Board received an update on recent recognition and awards for faculty members, including the profiling of three faculty members i.e. Joan Anderson, David Dolphin and Robin Elliot. The Board also received an update on recent recognition and awards for students, staff and alumni.

#### Alumni Association Report

The update on UBC Alumni Association activities and events was received for information. Mr. Brian Sullivan indicated that the new Associate Vice President Alumni/Executive Director has taken office.

### Residence Guarantee

UBC committed to a guarantee of housing for those entering first year students living outside of the Lower Mainland in 2001. To honour the guarantee, and to match up the supply/demand issue for returning residents, Housing & conferences implemented a lottery system for returning residents in February 2004. Over 78% of those students who signed up for the lottery were able to return to housing.

### Student Social Space

Throughout 2004 the Student Social Space Committee convened by the Vice President Students has continued to make recommendations for renovations and creation of new student social space on campus.

The People Committee had noted that this is a tremendous initiative.

### Student Financial Support for Fall 2004—Update

This annual report had been circulated and was received for information. It was noted that the Board access commitment has been met and is within the established budget.

### Faculty Hiring and Recruitment

A report on faculty hiring and recruitment had been circulated and was received for information. At the People Committee meeting it was noted that we have been successful hiring, but we face retention challenges.

### Teaching & Academic Growth (TAG) Report

The Centre for Teaching and Academic Growth progress report for 2004 was received for information.

### Policy #97--Conflict of Interest

The proposed revisions to Policy #97: Conflict of Interest had been circulated. The proposed revisions substantially simplify the Policy while clearly delineating responsibilities for administering the conflict of interest process. It was noted that the University Administration will now take the proposed revisions to the campus community for consultation.



## Child Care Business Plan

The Child Care Business Plan was received for information. A copy of the full report is available with the Office of the Board Secretary. It was noted that information will be provided to the Board on a regular basis as the business plan is implemented.

## Program for Monitoring and Improving Educational Activities at UBC

Dr. Lorne Whitehead gave a powerpoint presentation with respect to a program for encouraging and measuring improvement in teaching and learning at UBC.

He outlined the UBC SHINE 2010 program that stands for “Student Horizons in Education.” He highlighted the importance of balancing educational initiatives with educational indicators to lead the advancement of university education.

Dr. Whitehead indicated that he would report back to the Board on this initiative in due course.

Dr. Greg Lawrence felt that it was important for students to receive feedback on any internal student surveys that might be taken. Dr. Whitehead confirmed that this is being planned.

Dr. Dennis Danielson complimented Dr. Whitehead on this initiative, indicating that he appreciated the balance of the presentation.

## *Learning & Research*

### Presentation from UBC Press

A presentation on the UBC Press had been made at the Learning and Research Committee meeting by Dr. Ken Carty and Mr. Peter Milroy. The UBC Press is one of the University’s major and most nationally and internationally visible vehicles for reporting and highlighting its research contributions. In its role as one of Canada’s premier academic presses, it positions UBC as a principal gateway between Canadian researchers and scholarship and that of the international community.

### Presentation from Linda Svendsen

The Board received an excellent presentation by Professor Linda Svendsen on her Gemini award winning dramatic miniseries “Human Cargo.” Professor Svendsen was joined by her co-producer and co-writer, Brian McKeown, of Howe Sound Films.

The Board Chair thanked Professor Svendsen for an extremely powerful

presentation.

## UBC O Update

Dr. Barry McBride reported on the following:

- The Arts and Sciences additions are progressing. These need to be ready for September 2005
- The Campus Plan Selection is completed
- BCNet is working hard with the local community to ensure maximum benefit to having this in place
- Active discussions are under way with the city about how we move forward with building the campus
- Governance—the legislation has been passed but has not yet been enacted
- We are planning programs and putting new faculties together
- With the assistance of Dennis Pavlich and Hubert Lai, plans are in place for an interim Senate
- Faculty and staff appointments take place on July 1<sup>st</sup> and recruiting is under way
- The draft academic plan is out for broad consultation
- Engineering programs are looking very solid
- We are continuing discussions with Agriculture Canada regarding a possible research facility at Summerland
- We are actively engaged in student recruitment initiatives

Ms Lisa Castle updated the Board with respect to labour issues.

## UBC O Draft Academic Plan

The draft Academic Plan dated December 2004 entitled “Building a Community of Excellence—at all times and in all things” had been circulated and was received for information.

Dean Moura Quayle had spoken to the process at Committee and had stressed that it is a draft. She indicated that consultation will continue on both campuses until early March. Board members were encouraged to share their comments.

## Discussion re Business Education at UBC

Creation of Coordinating Committee for the UBC O and UBC V Business Schools

Report by Dean Daniel Muzyka on Opportunities for Promoting Entrepreneurialism to Address the Desire for More Spin-off Companies

Dean Daniel Muzyka gave a presentation at Committee regarding the Sauder School of Business. It is the objective of the School:

“To be a leading (top 40) business school on a global basis, one of a few leading business schools in Canada, and a strong local contributor based primarily on our ability to create useful new management models and to deploy appropriate and innovative learning programs.”

New Okanagan College/Introduction of and Presentation by Norm Embree, Chair, Board of Okanagan College

President Martha Piper introduced Mr. Norm Embree, Chair, Board of the new Okanagan College.

Mr. Embree shared with the Board what is happening at the new Okanagan College and spoke to potential links between Okanagan College and UBC O. He hoped that the establishment of UBC O would usher in a new era of cooperation between our Boards.

The new Okanagan College will open its doors on September 6, 2005, and will offer applied degree, diploma and certificate programs in trades, technologies, business, computer information systems, vocational, health, and university transfer. Mr. Embree stressed the importance of the university transfer program.

### ***Community and International***

#### UBC O Links to Community

At the Community and International Committee meeting, Dr. Barry McBride referenced the following with respect to UBC O Links to Community.

- President’s Advisory Council chaired by Brad Bennett. This council has representation from Osoyoos to Salmon Arm. The Council has met with the College Board, Penticton City Council and will meet with the Vernon City Council.
- President Martha Piper has addressed the Kelowna City Council.
- The Okanagan Partnership, a venture co-chaired by Brad Bennett and Gordon Fitzpatrick, brings together groups within the Okanagan Valley to look at issues of regional importance. UBC O is one of the flagship components of this.
- Dr. McBride sits on the Board of the Central Okanagan Economic Development

Commission.

- We are involved in Summerland with the Pacific Agriculture Research Centre with some very interesting opportunities.
- Events that will take place under the leadership of Dennis Pavlich are the opening ceremonies for UBC O.
- Okanagan Nation Alliance—we are building an agreement with them as to how we might proceed with education matters.
- There is an Expo in Japan this year and there will be a Kelowna Day.

At Committee, the naming of the student union at UBC O was referenced. It was hoped that the name would differentiate between UBC O and UBC V.

### ***Audit***

Consolidated Financial Statements for the Quarter Ended December 31, 2004

The above-referenced financial statements had been circulated and were received for information.

### ***Other Business***

Ms Mia Amir made reference to the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination on March 21, 2005. She indicated that a forum would be held on Monday, March 21<sup>st</sup> from 1-3 p.m. at the First Nations House of Learning and she invited Board members to attend.