

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Governors was held on Thursday, December 8, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board and Senate Room, Old Administration Building.

Present: Mr. Brad Bennett, Chair
Dr. Martha C. Piper, President
Chancellor Allan McEachern
Ms Heather Cook
Ms Bonnie Bates-Gibbs
Ms Nicole Byres
Ms Belle Dale-Wills
Mr. James Eccott
Ms Jacki Hoffman-Zehner
Dr. Andrew Irvine
Dr. Gregory Lawrence
Mr. Tim Louman-Gardiner
Dr. Barrie McCullough
Mr. Quinn Omori
Mr. Bryce Rositch

Messages of regret for absence were received from Dr. Arun Garg, Mr. John Reid 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
Mr. Dennis Pavlich, Vice President External & Legal Affairs
Dr. John Hepburn, Vice President Research
Mr. Brian Sullivan, Vice President, Students
Ms Lisa Castle, Associate Vice President, Human Resources
Mr. Al Poettcker, President & CEO, UBC Properties Trust

OPEN SESSION

REMARKS

Board Chair (Mr. Brad Bennett)

Welcome to new Board members

The Board Chair welcomed Dr. Barrie McCullough (faculty), Ms Bonnie Bates-Gibbs (staff), and Ms Heather Cook (student) as new members of the Board of Governors and expressed the hope that they would find their term of office a rewarding experience.

Recognition of Rowing and Soccer Teams

The following athletes were recognized for their outstanding achievements.

- UBC Thunderbird Men's Rowing—Canadian University Rowing—National Champions
- UBC Thunderbird Men's Soccer—CIS Men's Soccer—National Champions

President

The President reported on the following recent trips.

- Calgary--Alumni Event
- U 21 meeting—Hong Kong
- Ottawa—meeting with Deputy Ministers and Directors of Programs with respect to universities and university funding

OPEN AGENDA CONSENT ITEMS

IT WAS RESOLVED,

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

CARRIED.

People

Recommendations from Senate UBC V

A question was raised regarding third party marketing of degrees. It was agreed that this would be brought forward as a discussion item at the January 2006 Board meeting.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board of Governors take the action recommended as follows (approval required under the University Act, Sections 37 (l)(i)(o)(p) and 38).

CARRIED.

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 approves the change in name of the BC Research Institute for Children's and Women's Health to Child and Family Research Institute.

CARRIED.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board of Governors approves the establishment of the Centre for Health Care Management.

CARRIED.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board of Governors approves the establishment of:

**The Chair in Wood Building Design and Construction; and
The Canadian Cancer Society Chair in Primary Prevention of Cancer
Research; and
The University of British Columbia Chair in Patient Safety.**

CARRIED.

Learning & Research

Endowments

IT WAS RESOLVED,

The Board approved the following Endowment Fund documents:

A. UBC Okanagan Faculty of Health and Social Development

**1. Bill Tymchuk Cancer Research Award Endowment Fund Terms
of Reference**

B. UBC Vancouver Faculty of Arts

**1. 75th Social Work Anniversary Global Learning Endowment Fund
Terms of Reference**

2. Diana E.M. Cooper Endowment Fund Terms of Reference

**3. Leo Wilfred Hopper Musical Instrument Memorial Endowment
Fund
Testamentary Summary**

C. UBC Vancouver Faculty of Law

1. Stephan M. Salzberg Memorial Endowment Fund Terms of Reference

D. UBC Vancouver Faculty of Medicine

1. Canadian Cancer Society Chair in Primary Prevention of Cancer Research Endowment Fund Agreement
2. Innovation in Continuing Professional Development (Medicine) Endowment Fund Terms of Reference
3. Ross Petty–The Arthritis Society Research Chair in Pediatric Rheumatology Endowment Fund Terms of Reference
4. The University of British Columbia Chair in Patient Safety Endowment Fund Terms of Reference

E. UBC Vancouver Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences

1. IPSF/Class Act/Pharmacy Undergraduate Society Travel Fund Endowment Fund Terms of Reference

CARRIED.

Property & Planning

Project Management Process

Because of the Board of Governors' decision to reduce the number of board meetings, UBC Properties Trust was asked to review the Project Management Process, and provide recommendations for a reduction in the number of required Board approvals for capital projects.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That a revised four step Project Management Approval Process (reduced from five steps) for institutional projects be implemented.

That Third Party Institutional projects be approved separately by the Board and then follow the Development Permit Approval Process.

CARRIED.

Beaty Biodiversity Research Centre Post Board 3 Funding Release

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated November 20, 2005
- Project Management Process
- Previous Board Action

It was noted that cost certainty is now there on this project.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the following action be taken in connection with the Beaty Biodiversity Research Centre:

Post Board 3 Funding Release

Approval of funding release of \$1,200,000 for continued project development.

Received for information—funding releases to date in the amount of \$500,000

CARRIED.

Abdul Ladha Science Undergraduate Centre—Revised Board 4

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated November 20, 2005
- Project Management Process
- Previous Board Action

The revised Board 4 was requested because of a budget increase of \$750,000 to \$3.2 million. This is related to rising construction costs, the site location and small size of the project.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the following action be taken in connection with the Abdul Ladha Science Undergraduate Centre:

Revised Board approval with a budget of \$3.2 million

Approval

Final Budgets

Revised Capital Budget	\$3,199,104
Funding Release	\$ 751,104

Received for information—funding releases to date in the amount of \$2,448,000

CARRIED.

Marine Drive—Single Student Housing Phase 2 Funding Release

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated November 20, 2005
- Project Management Process
- Previous Board History

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the following action be taken in connection with Marine Drive—Single Student Housing: Phase 2

Post Board 1 Funding Release

**Approval—Funding Release to commence design work
\$1,000,000**

Received for information—funding releases to date in the amount of \$300,000

CARRIED.

Life Sciences Centre—Centre for Disease Modeling Project—Funding Release

An Executive Summary dated November 20, 2005, had been circulated.

It was noted that the funding is in place.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the following action be taken in connection with the Life Sciences Centre—Centre for Disease Modeling Project:

That approval is hereby given to a funding release of \$23,705,311 to complete Phase 2 for the Centre for Disease Modeling.

CARRIED.

Museum of Anthropology (Board 3)

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated November 20, 2005
- Project Management Process—Summary of Board Approvals
- Previous Board Action

It was noted that the construction start date is being moved from June 2006 to January 2006 to mitigate construction price escalation.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the following action be taken in connection with the Museum of Anthropology Renewal Project:

Board 3

Approval

Schematic Design

Revised Program

Commence Site Servicing Work

Revised Capital Budget **\$52,000,000**

Funding Release **3,200,000**

Received for information—funding releases to date in the amount of \$1,730,000

CARRIED.

South Campus Neighbourhood Plan

Mr. Dennis Pavlich advised that we received, on October 28, 2005, GVRD Board of Directors' confirmation that the plan complies with the UBC Official Community Plan.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That final adoption of the South Campus Neighbourhood Plan for the Northeast Sub Area dated January 2005 is hereby approved.

That the consequential amendments to the Comprehensive Community Plan as documented in Attachment 3 to this report are hereby approved.

That the University Administration is hereby authorized to obtain Government Assent under the University Act, and an Order-in-Council, if necessary, under the Crown grant, to effect land leases pursuant to the South Campus Neighbourhood Plan.

CARRIED.

The Board recorded appreciation to Mr. Dennis Pavlich and his team for their tremendous contribution to the success of this initiative.

UBC – UEL MOU

The Board was advised that the proposed UBC-UEL Memorandum of Understanding had been deferred to March 2006.

UBC Renew—Chem Centre (Post Board 3 Funding Release) and Buchanan D (Board 4)

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated November 20, 2005
- Project Management Process: Summary of Board Approvals
- Previous Board Action
- Capital and Operating Budgets
- Summary of UBC Renew Funding Releases and Requests
- UBC Renew Project Schedule

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the following action be taken in connection with UBC Renew—Chem Centre (Post Board 3 Funding Release) and Buchanan D (Board 4):

Approval—Post Board 3 Chemistry Centre

Final Budgets	
Capital Budget:	\$31,781,400
Operating Budget:	\$ 504,000
Award of Trade Contracts	
Funding Release	\$ 4,420,600
Information:	
Funds released to date	\$3,984,890
Expenses to date	\$2,299,171

Approval:

Board 4 Buchanan D

Final Budgets	
Capital Budget:	\$ 7,207,730
Operating Budget:	\$ 292,000
Award of Contract	
Funding Release	\$ 6,204,310

Information:

Funds released to date	\$ 1,003,420
Expenses to date	\$ 304,510

CARRIED.

Centre for Interactive Research on Sustainability (CIRS) (Board 2)

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated November 22, 2005
- Project Management Process
- Previous Board Action
- CIRS Site Location

IT WAS RESOLVED,

Conditional Board 2 Approval

That, subject to (1) finalizing consultant contracts and that the contracts meet the approved budget of the Board; and (2) UBCPT providing a monthly report to the VP Administration and Finance to ensure that continued spending is warranted, the following action, with regular updates to the Board of Governors, be taken on the Centre for Interactive Research on Sustainability (CIRS) (Board 2):

Approval

Preliminary Budgets

Capital Budget	\$36,150,000
Operating Budget	\$580,000

Schedule

Program

Consultant Selection	Busby Perkins and Will
Proceed to Schematic Design	
Proceed to Development Permit Application	
Project Financing	
Funding Release	\$500,000

Received for information—Expenses to date in the amount of \$985,000

CARRIED.

Finance

International Student Initiative (ISI) Tuition

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the following be received for information:

“International tuition fees for ISI students will increase by 2.24% to reflect the increase in the UBC education price index. The new per credit fee for ISI students will be \$566.41, from \$554.00 effective May 1, 2006, for all new and returning students.”

CARRIED.

UBC O Student Fees

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board of Governors hereby directs the University to collect the following schedule of student fees for the Student Union of UBC Okanagan effective May 1, 2006.

Fee	Per Credit (\$)	Maximum per Year (\$)
Student Society Fee	\$3.96	\$118.80
Canadian Federation of Students	0.48	14.64

Media Fund		5.00
Extended Dental Plan		120.94
Extended Medical Plan		103.98
Total		\$396.36

CARRIED.

Financing—Mixed Use Building

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board hereby approves the following action in connection with the Mixed Use Building.

Approval of take-out internal financing of up to \$23 million for the Mixed Use Building. The term of the loan will be up to 30 years and debt service/debt repayment will be funded from three sources. The general purpose operating fund will financially support institutional space located on floors two through five. Ground floor retail space will be sold to an investor as a prepaid lease and net proceeds will be utilized to reduce the loan amount. Two levels of parking will be funded from parking revenues. The resulting mortgage will be no greater than \$21 million once the prepaid leases have been sold.

CARRIED.

People

Policy #130—Management of the Wireless Network

The proposed new Policy #130 was deferred to January 2006 for further consultation.

ICORD Outreach Agreement

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board of Governors hereby approves the following in connection with ICORD (International Collaboration on Repair Discoveries):

- (1) approval of the draft agreement, dated for reference November 24, 2005, between the Rick Hansen Man in Motion Foundation (“RHF”); the University of British Columbia (“UBC”); and Richard M. Hansen (Attached as Schedule “A”);**
- (2) authorizes execution of the finalized version of the agreement by the Vice President Academic and Provost andn the Vice-President Administration and Finance provided that it does not vary in substance from the draft attached as Schedule “A”; and**
- (3) varies the terms of the UBC Disability Resource Endowment Deed in the form attached as Schedule “B.”**

CARRIED.

Learning and Research

Pharmaceutical Sciences (Board 1)

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated November 20, 2005
- Project Management Process
- Site Location
- Planning Principles/Campus Community Plan Context

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the following action is hereby approved in connection with the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences new Building:

Board 1 approval

That the Board approves the project in principle and its location.

Funding Release in the amount of \$135,000

CARRIED.

Employee Relations

Amendment #4 to the December 1999 Plan Consolidation of the University of British Columbia Faculty Pension Plan

The request was made to allow former members of the Plan to transfer funds held in other registered vehicles into the plan.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That amendment No. 4 to the December 1999 Plan Consolidation of the University of British Columbia Faculty Pension Plan be approved.

That the President and the Vice President Administration and Finance be authorized and empowered to approve on behalf of the Board of Governors of the University of British Columbia any revision to Amendment No. 4 to the December 1999 Plan Consolidation of the University of British Columbia Faculty Pension Plan as may be required:

- A. By Canada 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.

Amendment #7 to the January 2005 Plan Working Consolidation of the University of British Columbia Staff Pension Plan

The request was made for the following reasons:

- To provide clarification for plan administration
- To provide clarification of Income Tax Act limitation
- To allow delegation of investment function to appropriate investment managers
- To respond to a request from the Financial Institutions Commission of B.C.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That amendment No. 7 to the January 2005 Working Consolidation of the University of British Columbia Staff Pension Plan be approved.

That the President and the Vice President Administration and Finance be authorized and empowered to approve on behalf of the Board of Governors of the University of British Columbia any revision to Amendment No. 7 to the January 2005 Working Consolidation of the University of British Columbia Staff Pension Plan as may be required:

- A. By Canada 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.

Staff Pension Plan—Appointment of Director

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That Mr. Jay Parker be re-appointed as Director to the University of British Columbia Staff Pension Plan's Pension Board for a four-year term commencing January 1, 2006, to December 31, 2009.

CARRIED.

OPEN INFORMATION ITEMS

Property & Planning

Capital Projects Update

Mr. Al Poettcker had provided a capital projects update at the Property & Planning Committee meeting.

Major Projects Status Report

The major projects status report for December 2005 had been circulated and was received for information.

Capital Planning—UBC V Planning Process

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated November 20, 2005
- Previous Board History
- Issues and Opportunities for the Campus Plan Review
- Notes from the November 3, 2005, Workshop on the Scope and Process for Reviewing UBC Vancouver's Campus Plan

The main campus plan from 1992 must be updated to reflect a number of significant changes and to provide for the future development of UBC at its Vancouver campus. The planning process will cover development of a planning approach; plan review, assessment of current status; consultation process; develop and assess options; refine preferred option; develop implementation strategies and draft plan. It is restricted to the institutional part of the campus. It is anticipated that the process will take approximately 1 ½ years.

An Evaluation Tool for a Demonstration Project in Gage South

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated November 20, 2005
- Previous Board History
- Triple Bottom Line Evaluation Matrix

- Potential Options for a Demonstration Sustainability Project for Gage South at 2005

Mr. Bryce Rositch noted that consideration of the project is deferred until the Campus Master Plan and neighbouring developments are understood.

Summary of Public Consultation on Marine Student Residence—Phase II Project Proposal

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated November 20, 2005
- Previous Board History
- Summary of Project History
- Copies of the November 23, 2005, GVRD/UBC Joint Committee Report on the Public Consultation Program for DP 05024 Marine Drive Student Residence—Phase-two.

The Marine Student Residence Project was originally intended as a 2,000 bed student housing complex to be built in phases. All phases were approved but broken up for the purposes of consultation Phase One of the project is completed with students moving in during September 2005. The University is now dealing with Phase Two of the project. The report summarizes the public consultation process for Phase Two.

UBC Renew—Status Report (Impact of Construction Price Escalation)

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated November 20, 2005
- Process Controls
- UBC Renew Comparison of Original to Current Estimates
- AVED Construction Escalation Rate Schedule
- Academic Issues—Friedman

At its September 2005 meeting, the Property & Planning Committee requested that the UBC Renew team provide an update with

respect to the impact of construction price escalations on the UBC Renew project. As a result of these escalations, there has been a reduction in the number of buildings to be renewed from 16 to 13.

UBC V/UBC O Board Room

The Board Chair identified the need for appropriate space for Board meetings at both UBC V and UBC O because of the expanded Board membership. A powerpoint presentation had been made to the Property & Planning Committee regarding this issue. It was requested that a Board 1 recommendation, including a business plan, on the UBC V location be brought to the January 2006 Board meeting. Dr. Barry McBride had reported at Committee, with respect to UBC O, that we are looking at appropriate space in the proposed Engineering/Business building.

Finance

2005/06 Budget Summary Book

The 2005/06 Budget Summary Book that provides additional detail on the consolidated budget for the University (which was submitted to the Board on July 14, 2005) had been circulated. The document promotes accountability and transparency, captures a historical record of budget changes, and serves as a public source of budget information.

Ms Dana Merritt and her team were congratulated on producing an excellent document.

Development/Donations Report

The Development Office progress report for the period April 1, 2005, to October 31, 2005, had been circulated.

Mr. Clark Warren was congratulated on his tremendous work on behalf of the University and for his outstanding leadership.

Ms Jacki Zehner asked about giving to UBC from the United States and how that fits in with the American Foundation. Mr. Terry Sumner undertook to provide the information to Ms Zehner. Ms Zehner also offered her assistance, as a member of the Board, with the University's fund raising program.

General Purpose Operating Budget Projection to March 31, 2006

The General Purpose Operating Budget Projection to March 31, 2006, had been circulated and was received for information. Ms Dana Merritt presented the report.

Related Organizations Annual Report

The 2005 annual report of UBC controlled, affiliated or related organizations, major campus tenancies, off campus properties and advisory committees, had been circulated and was received for information.

UBC Foundation Financial Statements 2004/05

The UBC Foundation financial statements at March 31, 2005, had been circulated and were received for information.

People

Award Winners

Faculty

The listing of faculty award winners had been circulated and was received for information. The following scholars were profiled:

- Professor Elizabeth Croft, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Faculty of Applied Science
 - Professor Walter Hardy, Department of Physics and Astronomy, Faculty of Science
 - Professor Kevin Smith, Head, Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering, Faculty of Applied Science.
- Students, Staff and Alumni

The report on awards to student, staff and alumni recognition and awards had been circulated and was received for information.

Mr. Brian Sullivan made reference to the following:

- The UBC Team Snow Star (team of Engineering Physics students) had participated in the first of the NASA Centennial Challenges and had achieved the first beam-powered climb of approximately 20 feet.
- Mr. Matthew Chan, a native of Vernon, had been named as the Rhodes Scholar for British Columbia.

Alumni Association Report

The report on current UBC Alumni affairs, activities and events had been circulated and was received for information.

People Plan—Discussion Paper Update)

Ms Lisa Castle provided the Board with an update on the UBC People Plan consultation process.

Enrolment Strategy Update (UBC O)

It was noted that Mr. Brian Sullivan, assisted by Ms Deborah Robinson and Ms Anne Marie Jakobi had given a powerpoint presentation at Committee.

Learning & Research

Presentation by Dr. Dorothy Shaw, Senior Associate Dean, Faculty Affairs, Faculty of Medicine “Applicability of International Human Rights Law to the Academic Health Professional”

Dr. Dorothy Shaw was introduced by her Department Head, Dr. Robert Liston (Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology). Following is a synopsis of her presentation:

“Women are dying during pregnancy in many countries, not because we lack the knowledge to save them, but because their lives are not valued. The empowerment of women is recognized to be critical to any hope of meeting the Millennium Development Goals which are derived from a series of UN based International Conventions, Conferences and Treaties where the sexual and reproductive rights of women, children and men were also articulated. There are direct relationships between maternal mortality, maternal disability, infant mortality and indicators based on rights such as the

percentage of women in parliament. In Canada, women are unlikely to die during pregnancy, but have still not reached target representation in parliament and despite reaching equity in admissions to medicine, are not represented in anticipated numbers of full time faculty and leadership positions.”

The Board Chair thanked Dr. Shaw for an excellent presentation.

Enhance Federal Research Funding

A report on initiatives to enhance federal research funding had been circulated and was received for information.

Mentor New Researchers

The Office of the Vice President Research operates a Research Support Network program for new faculty and postdoctoral fellows. The program serves to provide resources by means of written materials, point of contact, workshops and orientation in order to support and enhance research initiatives of new/junior faculty members and postdoctoral fellows at UBC.

Develop Awareness of UILO

Dr. John Hepburn had given a powerpoint presentation with respect to the University-Industry Liaison Office at Committee.

The University-Industry Liaison Office (UILO) is a high performance team that guides breakthrough UBC research to reality. The UILO facilitates the exchange between industry and UBC researchers by negotiating collaborative research agreements with industry, and by commercializing qualified technologies that arise from research conducted at UBC and its five affiliated teaching hospitals. Since its inception in 1984, it has grown from a one person office to a highly-qualified team of 40.

Canada-University of California Cooperation

The Board received for information a report on (1) a proposed cooperation between the BC research universities and California universities that is being spearheaded by The University Presidents’ Council and, (2) a

cooperation between a consortium of the top universities in Canada with the University of California system.

Community and International

Chan Centre for the Performing Arts Update

A report on the Chan Centre for the Performing Arts had been circulated and was received for information. Dr. Sid Katz had given a powerpoint presentation at Committee.

- The Chan Centre for the Performing Arts was established in 1997 with building costs offset by the World of Opportunity Campaign and a \$4 million endowment to promote community use.
- It has three principal missions:
 - to be the premier performing facility for the UBC School of Music, Theatre and Film
 - to serve the University Community by hosting graduations, conferences and performances
 - to enhance the University's reputation by contributing significantly to the Vancouver performing arts community through nationally and internationally recognized productions and performers
- After five years of operation, the facility was in a significant deficit situation. A series of cost containment measures were instituted and the artistic program was reshaped to reduce risk and increase partnerships.

Community Affairs Update

Dr. Sid Katz gave a powerpoint presentation with respect to Community Affairs at Committee.

- Office of Community Affairs' mission is to act as a catalyst in developing community programs based on the teaching and research activities of UBC and partner institutions and to show by example the kind of activities that lead to the development of a civil society and increased social engagement with the communities we serve.
- Since its inception in 2001, the programs developed by Community Affairs include:
 - the 'Bridge Through Sport'
 - the 'Talk of the Town' Lecture Series
 - The UBC and Laurier Institution Multicultural Lecture series

- The 2006 UN World Urban Forum Arts and Culture Festival
- Future projects include:
 - UBC 100th Anniversary Celebration,
 - community building on the UBC Point grey Campus, and
 - the development of a volunteer recognition program in keeping with Trek 2010 goals.

Learning Exchange Annual Report

Dr. Margo Fryer gave a presentation regarding the activities of the Learning Exchange at Committee. At that time, she extended an invitation to the members of the Board to visit the Learning Exchange.

Report on the Annual Report and Annual General Meeting

A report on UBC's 2005 Annual General Meeting held on November 3, 2005, at UBC Okanagan had been circulated and was received for information.

Cormex Report

The Toronto market research firm Cormex produces a qualitative media monitoring comparison of the top Canadian universities each semester. The most recent report, for the summer of 2005, shows that UBC's share of voice amongst Canadian universities moved to third compared (marginally behind the University of Alberta) to second place for the same period in 2004. However, the university received the most positive coverage yet recorded, and the least negative.

Recent University Rankings

UBC performed respectably in the University Report Card compared to universities its size and retained fourth place in Maclean's.

UBC's international rankings continue to be strong ranking 37th globally in the Jiao Tong ranking (36 in 2004) and moving from 47 to 38 in the Times.

UBC is one of only two Canadian universities consistently ranked among the world's 40 best.

Audit

Quarterly Financial Statements

The quarterly financial statements for the second quarter of 2005/06 ending September 30, 2005, had been circulated and were received for information.