

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Governors was held on Thursday, January 26, 2006, 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
Dr. Arun Garg
Ms Jacki Hoffman-Zehner
Dr. Andrew Irvine
Dr. Gregory Lawrence
Chief Robert Louie
Mr. Tim Louman-Gardiner
Dr. Barrie McCullough
Mr. Quinn Omori
Mr. Bryce Rositch
Mr. Douglas Whitehead

Messages of regret for absence were received from Mr. Pierre Choquette, Mr. Barry Lapointe and Mr. John Reid.

In Attendance: Mrs. Nina Robinson, Secretary to the Board
Dr. Lorne Whitehead, Vice President Academic & Provost
Ms Dana Merritt, Acting Vice President, Administration and Finance
Mr. Dennis Pavlich, Vice President External & Legal Affairs
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 member Chief Robert Louie

Mr. Brad Bennett welcomed Chief Robert Louie as a new member of the Board, and expressed the hope that he would find his term of office a rewarding and enjoyable experience.

President

President Martha Piper reported on her recent trips to Hong Kong, Taipei, Singapore and Seoul.

OPEN AGENDA CONSENT ITEMS

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the following items designated "consent" on the open agenda of the January, 2006, Board meeting be and are hereby approved as presented.

CARRIED.

People

Recommendations from Senate UBC V

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board of Governors take the action recommended as follows (approval required under the University Act, Sections 37 (1)(i)(o) and 38).

CARRIED.

Senate Meeting of December 14, 2005

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the establishment of new awards as listed be approved.

CARRIED.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board concurs with the recommendation of Senate in approving curriculum proposals from the Faculties of Applied Science, Arts, Commerce and Business Administration, Dentistry and Graduate Studies as listed.

CARRIED.

The following motions are subject to approval of Senate as its meeting of January 25, 2006:

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board of Governors approves the establishment of the Department of Dermatology and Skin Sciences within the Faculty of Medicine effective February 1, 2006.

CARRIED.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board approves the change in name from the Centre for Research in Women's Studies and Gender Relations to Centre for Women's and Gender Studies in the Faculty of Graduate Studies effective February 1, 2006.

CARRIED.

Recommendations from Senate UBC O

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board of Governors take the action recommended by the UBC Okanagan Senate as follows (approval required under the University Act, Sections 37 (1)(i)(o)(p) and 38).

CARRIED.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board approves the addition of the Faculty of Management to the Interdisciplinary Graduate Studies program.

CARRIED.

Recommendation from the Okanagan Interim Academic Body for UBC Okanagan (IAGB from the meeting of October 11, 2005)

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board of Governors take the action recommended by the IAGB as follows (approval required under the University Act, Sections 37 (1)(i)(o)(p) and 38).

CARRIED.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board approves the establishment of the College of Graduate Studies

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board approves:

New Programs:

- 1. B.Sc. (Honours) in Computer Science**
- 2. M.A.Sc; M.Eng.; Ph.D. in Applied Science**

New Courses:

ARTH 368 and 369; FREN 399, 430,44,446; PHIL 4XX and 4XY; APSC 596, 597, 598, 599 and 699

Learning & Research

Endowments

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board approves the following Endowment Fund documents:

A. UBC Vancouver Faculty of Medicine

1. Allan M. McGavin Chair in Geriatric Medicine Fund

Terms of Reference

**1.1.1.1.B. UBC Vancouver Faculty of
Pharmaceutical Sciences**

**1. Pharmacy Undergraduate Society Student Lifestyle Endowment
Fund**

Terms of Reference

C. UBC Vancouver Scholarships, Awards and Prizes

NEW AWARDS – ACADEMIC MERIT-BASED

Scholarships:

1. John COLLISON Memorial Scholarship in Mathematics
2. C.A. Stuart DeVITT Memorial Scholarship

3. Werner FORSTER Memorial Scholarship in Architecture
4. Kenneth GRAHAM Memorial Graduate Scholarship
5. Pauline LEGG Scholarship in Music
6. Dennis MOLNAR Graduate Student Travel Scholarship in Classical, Near Eastern and Religious Studies
7. Marion L. PEARSON Scholarship in Pharmaceutical Sciences
8. Sally M. ROGOW Graduate Research Scholarship

Prizes:

9. GRADUATING Class of Forestry 1957 Prize
10. LANGUAGE and Literacy Education Graduate Prize
11. E.T. (Al) and Anona NEWMAN Prize in Global Resource Systems
12. Michelle Lynn ROSA Memorial Graduate Prize
13. Harry E. TAYLOR Canadian Indigenous Graduate Prize in Education

NEW AWARDS – FINANCIAL NEED-BASED

Bursaries:

14. Olive and B.K. (Keith) ACTON Memorial Bursary
15. Janet C. ANDERSON Memorial Bursary
16. Bachan Singh and Harnam Kaur DEOL Memorial Bursary
17. ELECTRONIC Arts Graduate Bursary in Computer Science
18. GRADUATING Class of Medicine 1954 Bursary
19. John and Thelma MEIKLE Bursary in Fine Arts
20. H. Page and Joan E. POWELL Bursary

2. NEW AWARDS – SERVICE, LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

21. Adam ALBRIGHT Memorial Award in Law
22. Peter FROST MBA Memorial Award
23. Penny HICKS Service Award
24. John and May LOCKHART Award in Transportation and Logistics
25. Bert McKAY Memorial Graduating Award

- 26. ORBITAL Technologies Award in Computer Science
- 27. Joan RYAN Graduating Award

2.1. PREVIOUSLY-APPROVED AWARDS WITH REVISED TERMS OF REFERENCE

- 28. Abdul LADHA Scholarship
- 29. David and Blanche GWYNNE-VAUGHAN Memorial Scholarship
- 30. James and Setsuko THURLOW Graduate Scholarship in Peace and Disarmament Studies

CARRIED.

UBC Okanagan Academic Plan

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board approves the UBC Okanagan Academic Plan dated June 2005 as presented.

CARRIED.

OPEN APPROVAL ITEMS

Property & Planning

UBC Okanagan—Multipurpose Building (Board 2)

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated January 6, 2006

- Project Management Process
- Previous Board Action
- Schematic Design

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the following action is hereby taken in connection with the UBC Okanagan—Multi Purpose Building.

Board 2 Approval

Preliminary Budgets

Capital Budget:	\$26,120,000	Approved July 2005
Operating Budget:	\$432,000	Revised—see page 4
Schedule		Revised—see page 4
Detailed Program		Revised—see page 4
Proceed to Working Drawings & Tender		
Funding Release	\$950,000	

Received for information: Expenses to date \$64,000; funding releases to date \$300,000

CARRIED.

Advisory Urban Design Panel Appointment

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That Dr. Rhodri Windsor-Liscome, Professor and Head of Art History, Visual Art and Theory be appointed to the Advisory Urban Design Panel to fill the faculty vacancy on the Advisory Urban Design Panel for a term to expire in January 2008.

CARRIED.

Guidelines for Land Acquisition

At the December 2005 meeting of the Board, staff identified land acquisition scenarios that are beyond the scope of existing University

policies and presented a set of evaluation criteria for consideration. The Board supported development of guidelines for evaluating land acquisitions and requested that a protocol also be developed to guide Board members when they or the University are approached regarding land acquisition scenarios. It was noted that the guidelines will be included in the book of policies, practices and guidelines.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Guidelines for Evaluating Land Acquisitions be and are hereby approved.

CARRIED.

Marine Drive—Single Student Housing Phase 2 (Board 1 and 2)

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated January 10, 2006
- Project Management Process
- Previous Board History

Following a lengthy discussion, the following resolution was passed.

WHEREAS the University of British Columbia is responsible for providing student housing on campus, and the fall waiting list has been at least 3,000 individuals for the past two years, AND

WHEREAS the Board of Governors approved in January 2004 a proposal to add 2,000 new student beds in the Marine Drive Student Residence Project, AND

WHEREAS, due to its commitment to being a good neighbour, the Board of Governors reduced the height of the high-rise component from twenty to eighteen storeys and also reduced the number of beds in the first phase of the project due to concerns expressed by the GVRD and others regarding impacts of the project on views from the intertidal zone adjacent to Wreck Beach, AND

WHEREAS the second phase has also been reduced in scope and number of beds to address this concern, AND

WHEREAS the second phase has been delayed for over a year as a wide range of issues were assessed and at least three re-designs of the project completed, which have included reducing the number of high-rises in the project from three to two, and relocating the high-rises to be adjacent to Lower Mall, AND

WHEREAS the public input on the second phase highlighted both the view issue and the need for more student housing, AND

WHEREAS the reduced scope of Phase 2 is in compliance with the Official Community Plan and with the UBC-GVRD Memorandum of Understanding, AND

WHEREAS the views from Wreck Beach above high tide will be unaffected by the project, and 36 of the 37 acres of the intertidal zone contained within zones A and B will also be substantially unaffected, and the 1 acre that will be affected is only accessible 8% of daylight hours during bathing season (about 35 hours per month), and the visibility of the project from this area is generally of the project's top floor or less, AND

WHEREAS notwithstanding this technical determination of substantial compliance, UBC wishes to be resolute in its undertaking to minimise view impact, AND

WHEREAS the delays, redesigns and loss of nearly 400 beds have added \$20 million to the project's cost, causing significant student hardship through increased rents, and imperil the project's revised completion date of September 2007;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Governors grants Board 2 approval to Phase 2 of the Marine Drive Student Residence Project with the proposed first high-rise at eighteen storeys and the proposed second high-rise at 17 storeys.

(The details of the Phase 2 approval for the Marine Drive Residences—Single Student Housing Phase 2 is as follows:

Approval—Revised Board 1; Board 2

Preliminary Capital Budget	\$103,835,000
Preliminary Operating Budget	See page 4 (attached)
Schedule	
Authorization to Issue Development Permit Program	
Consultant Selection	
Proceed to Working Drawings and Tender	
Funding Release	\$1,500,000

Received for information: Expenses to date \$300,000; funding releases to date \$1,000,000)

CARRIED.

University Boulevard and Square Redevelopment

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated January 10, 2006
- Project Management Process
- Previous Board Action
- Underground Transit Terminal Plan
- University Boulevard Site Map
- Transit Station—Issues/Features

Translink and UBC officials have concluded that trolley buses should remain at grade rather than be incorporated into the underground station. The reasons are operational, safety and cost. The following comments were made at Committee.

- A need for a good communication strategy—especially with students—was identified.

- Concerns were raised about the impact of this change on overall planning, traffic/pedestrian circulation and open space.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board hereby approves the following:

- (1) **the University Square and Boulevard Project be developed in three phases;**
- (2) **the transit station be a ‘hybrid’ model, with the non-electric buses being below grade and the trolley buses at grade (street level).**

CARRIED.

People

Policy #130—Management of the Wireless Network

The Board received a revised presentation of a proposed new policy that responds to concerns about various electronic devices interfering with the University’s wireless network infrastructure. The action arising from the December meeting was to ensure that the tone reflected a focus on problem solving over policing.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That Policy #130—Management of the Wireless Network be and is hereby approved as amended i.e. under those who should read this policy—specifically—the Associate Vice President Learning Services, UBC Okanagan, be added.

CARRIED.

Learning and Research

CFI Inter-institutional agreement Centre for Hip Health PC-TRIADD

UBC, in consultation with the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority, has been successful in obtaining funding from the Canada Foundation for Innovation in CFI's Innovation Fund competition and its Research Hospital Fund competition for the projects Centre for Hip Health: A Lifespan Approach, and PCTRIADD-Prostate Centre's Translational Research Initiative for Accelerated Discovery and Development.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board of Governors hereby authorizes the execution of an Inter-Institutional agreement between the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority ("VCHA") and the University in a form approved by the University Counsel.

CARRIED.

OPEN INFORMATION ITEMS

Property & Planning

Capital Projects Update

Mr. Al Poettcker gave a capital projects update. It was noted that the Life Sciences Centre had been given a LEED (Leadership & Energy in Environment Design) Gold Award. It was agreed that the capital projects update would be given at full Board meetings in the future.

Major Projects Status Report

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

Campus Sustainability Strategy (Inspirations and Aspirations)

The Board received the communications brochure that will be used for the five year sustainability plan. A powerpoint presentation entitled “UBC Canada’s Leader in Campus Sustainability” was also given. It was noted that UBCO will be incorporated into the five year plan.

Centre for Interactive Research on Sustainability

Board 2 was conditional on finalizing the consultant contracts and updates to the Board. It was noted that discussion with consultants are still ongoing.

Technical Review Summary: Marine Student Residences Project

The following documentation had been circulated.

- Executive Summary dated January 17, 2006
- Previous Board History
- Chart 2, Schedule 3, GVRD/UBC Memorandum of Understanding
- AUDP Minutes, October 6, 2005, meeting
- Analysis and Findings of the Construction of Marine Drive Student Residences—Phase One (A report to the GVRD/UBC Joint Committee)
- Map of Wreck Beach and adjacent intertidal zones
- Table: Marine Drive Residence View impacts from selected viewpoints in the Intertidal zone adjacent to Wreck Beach
- July 29, 2005, GVRD Board Resolution

Dr. Nancy Knight gave a presentation at Committee and the rationale for design and impact on views for different heights was discussed.

University Centre Redevelopment

It was noted that alternative sites were being reviewed and a recommendation will be brought back to the March Board regarding short and long term locations and budget i.e. Board 1.

People

Award Winners

Faculty

Students, Staff and Alumni

The Board received an update on recent recognition and awards for faculty members. Three faculty members were profiled: Bonnie Craig, Faculty of Dentistry; Stephen Chatman, School of Music Kyle Shen, Department of Physics and Astronomy.

Dr. Lorne Whitehead advised the Board that Dr. William A. Webber, a former Dean of Medicine and former member of the Board of Governors had passed away.

Dr. John Hepburn made reference to the 6th Annual “Celebrate Research” week (March 4-11) to honour and recognize the accomplishments of UBC’s talented researchers.

An update on recent recognition and awards for students, staff and alumni was also presented.

Alumni Association Report

An update on UBC Alumni Association activities and events was received for information.

Student Financial Assistance Report

Mr. Brian Sullivan provided a comprehensive presentation at Committee and a brief summary at the full Board meeting, including funding from GPOF. He noted that the Board commitment under Policy #72 has been met.

Update on Student Social Space

Mr. Brian Sullivan and Mr. Justin Marples had presented this item at Committee. It was requested that a parallel report for UBC O be provided in future.

Learning & Research

Presentation by Dr. Nicholas Coops, Faculty of Forestry “Application of Remote Sensing Technology to Forestry: A View from UBC”
Third Party Marketing of Degrees

Dr. Nicholas Coops gave an excellent presentation on the above-referenced topic. He was introduced by Dr. Jack Saddler, Dean, Faculty of Forestry. Following is a synopsis of his presentation.

“Remote sensing is the science (and art) of earth observation from satellite, aircrafts or other remote devices and it has many applications to forestry, and general environmental issues today. For example, remote sensing data is a key provider of information for issues such as global climate change, assessment of forest health and infestation (highly relevant in B.C.) as well as estimating the quality and amount of habitat for endangered animals. Since commencing at UBC, we have developed a number of ongoing research projects, working on both the development and application of satellite and airborne imaging technology to the forestry and environmental industry.”

Dr. Coops provided an overview of these ongoing projects, their application, their vision for the future use of this technology in B.C. and Canada and its increasing use in the UBC curriculum.

Dr. Arun Garg left the meeting.

SHINE (Student Horizons in Education) Update

Dr. Lorne Whitehead had presented an update on SHINE at Committee. Drs. Anna Kindler and Don Wehrung were in attendance. A suggestion had been made that it would be beneficial to engage Alumni in this initiative.

Community and International

University Neighbourhoods Association Annual Report

The UNA Annual report was presented by Dr. Nancy Knight at Committee. It was noted that the University and the UNA have established a task force to address the access issue and recommend how it should be addressed in the Neighbours Agreement and the Facilities and Amenities Agreement so that these two agreements can be finalized.

Communications Plan

Mr. Scott Macrae presented the 2006 UBC Communications Plan: Towards Trek 2010. The plan identifies key audiences and messages that are in synch with Trek 2010 aspirations, the growth of international reputation in particular. The plan has four main goals:

- To be known internationally as one of the best universities in the world
- To be known within Canada as our nation's global university
- To increase awareness and understanding of UBC's commitment to promoting sustainability, global citizenship and civil society
- To make UBC an international model of best practices in communications

Audit

Consolidated Financial Statements for the quarter ended December 31, 2005

The Consolidated Financial Statements for the third quarter of 2005/06 for the period ending December 31, 2005, had been circulated and were received for information.

Other Business

Orientation for New Board Members

It was noted that the task of developing an orientation program for new Board members had been referred to the Governance Committee.