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Vancouver Senate

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 14, 2007

Attendance

Present: President S. J. Toope (Chair), Ms. D. Robinson (Acting Secretary), Dr. P. Adebar, Mr. T. Ahmed, Dr. B. Arneil, Mr. J. Aulakh, Dr. J. D. Berger, Dr. G. Bluman, Dean M. A. Bobinski, Dr. J. Brander, Ms. S. Brkanovic, Dr. J. Dennison, Ms. D. Diao, Dr. W. Dunford, Dean B. Evans, Vice-President D. Farrar, Dr. S. Farris, Dr. C. Friedrichs, Ms. M. Friesen, Dean N. Gallini, Dr. S. Grayston, Dr. D. Griffin, Dr. L. Gunderson, Dr. P. G. Harrison, Mr. A. Ionescu, Dr. R. Irwin, Dean M. Isaacson, Dr. S. B. Knight, Dr. B. S. Lalli, Mr. T. Leaver, Mr. D. K. Leung, Mr. R. Lowe, Dr. P. L. Marshall, Dr. W. McKee, Mr. A. Mohan, Mr. R. Pan, Dean S. Peacock, Dr. J. Plessis, Mr. L. Powell, Mr. G. Rawle, Ms. E. Rennie, Dr. K. Russell, Ms. A. Shaikh, Dr. R. Sparks, Dr. B. Stelck, Mr. R. Taddei, Ms. M. Tee, Acting Principal J. Thompson, Dr. S. Thorne, Dean R. Tierney, Mr. H. Tse, Dr. M. Upadhyaya, Dr. P. Ward, Dr. W. Weary, Dr. R. Windsor-Liscombe, Dr. R. A. Yaworsky, Dr. J. Young.

Guests in Attendance: Acting Associate Vice-President I. Burgess, Mr. A. Glynn, Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President A. Kindler, Deputy Provost G. Mackie, Dr. P. Nosco, Prof. G. Riches, Vice-President T. Sumner, Prof. L. Svendsen, Dr. J. Wasserman, Dr. J. White.

Regrets: Mr. B. J. Silzer (Secretary), Dr. N. Banthia, Prof. C. Boyle, Mr. P. T. Brady, Dr. M. Bryson, Dr. H. Burt, Dr. L. Chui, Dr. E. Dean, Dr. D. Fielding, Mr. C. L. Gorman, Dr. R. Harrison, Dr. R. Helsley, Dean M. Isman, Ms. J. Khangura, Ms. W. King, Mr. A. Lee, Dr. M. MacEntee, Dr. A. McAfee, Dr. T. McDaniels, Dr. A. McEachern (Chancellor), Dr. D. McLean, Mr. W. McNulty, Dean D. Muzyka, Principal L. Nasmith, Dr. D. Paterson, Dr. P. Potter, Dean J. Saddle, Dr. J. Sarra, Dean C. Shuler, Mr. B. Simpson, Dean R. Sindelar, Dean G. Stuart, Dr. R. Wilson.

Recording Secretary: Ms. L. M. Collins.

Call to Order

Senate Membership

Acting Secretary Ms. Deborah Robinson made the following announcements for the information of the Senate.

NEW MEMBERS

1. Dr. Mary Bryson and Dr. Kelly Russell, faculty representatives of the Faculty of Graduate Studies
2. Mr. Andrei Ionescu, student representative of the Faculty of Dentistry
3. Mr. Ashish Mohan, student representative of the Faculty of Forestry
4. Dr. Judith Plessis, Executive Director, Continuing Studies, replaces Ms. Jane Hutton

DECLARATION OF VACANCY

One representative of the Joint Faculties to replace resigning Senator Dr. Joy Johnson

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

<i>Dean M. Isaacson</i>	}	<i>That the Minutes of the meeting of September 19, 2007 be adopted as circulated.</i>
<i>Dr. P. G. Harrison</i>		

The Minutes were adopted by consent.

Business Arising from the Minutes

ORAL STATUS UPDATE ON SENATE REFERRAL TO LIBRARY COMMITTEE RE: MACMILLAN LIBRARY (PP. 07-08 - 23)

On behalf of the Secretary, Ms. Collins gave a brief report on the status of the Library Committee. She recalled that Senate, at its September 2007 meeting, had asked the Library Committee to deliver a report at the following Senate meeting about the recent closure of the Macmillan Library. Ms. Collins stated that the Library Committee was in the process of electing a new chair. Because two calls for nominations had failed to yield a nominee, Dr. Lee Gunderson had agreed to serve as chair for one meeting. The Secretariat was working with Library Committee members to schedule that meeting. Ms. Collins stated that the January 2008 would be the soonest opportunity for the Committee to deliver its report.

Business Arising from the Minutes, continued

ORAL STATUS UPDATE ON ACADEMIC CONCESSION POLICY (PP. 07/08 - 6-8)

Academic Policy Committee Chair Dr. Paul G. Harrison recalled that the Committee's proposed changes to the Academic Concession policy had been referred back to the Committee for further consideration. Although the Committee had planned to report back to the Senate on this matter no later than November 2007, the necessary consultations had taken longer than expected. Dr. Harrison was hopeful that the report would be ready for the December 2007 Senate meeting.

Remarks from the Chair and Related Questions

President Toope reported that he had recently written an open letter to the University community that outlined his observations about UBC's strengths and challenges after having served his first year in office. The letter was available on the President's Office website (<http://www.president.ubc.ca>). The President noted that the University would soon begin discussions about how to position UBC after the expiry of the *Trek 2010* vision document.

Financial Statements 2006/2007 and Budget Outlook 2008/2009

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Mr. Terry Sumner, Vice-President, Administration & Finance, gave an overview of UBC's Consolidated Financial Statements for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2007. Highlights were as follows:

- Total revenue: \$1.6 billion
- Cumulative land revenue: \$154.2 million
- Unrestricted operating surplus: \$7.1 million
- Total assets: \$3.2 billion
- Net assets: \$1.4 billion
- Endowment fund market value: \$1.0 billion
- Donations -- funds raised: \$111 million
- Donations -- expectancies: \$37.4 million
- Building projects: \$876.4 million

BUDGET OUTLOOK

Dr. David Farrar, Vice-President, Academic & Provost, gave an update on the 2007/2008 budget and an overview of the process that would ultimately determine the 2008/2009 budget. He acknowledged the work of Deputy Provost Dr. George Mackie and the Office of the Vice-President, Administration & Finance in this area. Highlights were as follows:

- No new recurring budgetary cuts (beyond the \$20 million from the previous year) were anticipated for 2008/2009.
- Of the \$20 million in cuts from 2007/2008, \$12 million would continue to be “chilled” for at least one additional year, pending enhanced strategic capability and greater certainty about the fiscal environment; \$8 million would be reallocated.
- \$8 million recurring was scheduled for investment through the Strategic Priorities Fund.
- The Steering Committee for Academic Planning Process (SCAPP) process had identified a set of key goals and cross-cutting themes drawn from *Trek 2010*.
 - Goals: Undergraduate education; Graduate education; Professional Education; Research;
 - Themes: Transformative student experience; Aboriginal engagement; International learning and global service; Sustainability; Connecting with our alumni/ae and serving our communities.
- \$12 million one-time was scheduled for investment through the University Investment Fund.
- A total of \$17.2 million in necessary recurring adjustments to the 2007/2008 budget have been identified. This will produce a surplus for 2007/2008 and reduce the structural deficit for 2008/2009.
- The budget contains a \$7 million operating contingency fund; the surplus could be as high as \$25 million.
- Options for use of the 2007/2008 surplus:
 - Pay down debt, thereby reducing recurring costs (\$12 million ‘buys’ \$1 million recurring);
 - Offset some of the expected deficit for 2008/2009;
 - Fund for helping with the end of mandatory retirement;
 - Increase the UIF;
 - Daycare facilities;

Senators were invited to send suggestions to budget.2009@exchange.ubc.ca.

DISCUSSION

Dr. Brander clarified the reasons for the existence of a surplus and a deficit in the same fiscal year. While an ongoing structural deficit remained, one-time money had resulted in surpluses for 2006/2007 and likely 2007/2008. Vice-President Farrar agreed, noting that the past two budgets had been based on a series of assumptions that turned out to be overly pessimistic. He was hopeful that the 2008/2009 budget process would result in a more balanced picture.

Ms. Rennie inquired after the reasons for a structural deficit, considering that tuition fees had significantly increased and the University had leased some of its land for residential development. President Toope explained that the University's costs were simply rising more quickly than its revenues. He cited as examples the historic assumptions that faculty would retire at 65 and that their replacements would begin at much lower salary levels. The cessation of mandatory retirement combined with increases in salaries for new faculty due to a competitive employment market meant that neither of these assumptions held true. With respect to development on campus, President Toope stated that the Board of Governors had determined that all revenue from land development would be allocated to the Endowment Fund. A \$152 million increase in the endowment would generate only approximately \$5 million for expansion in any given year thereafter.

In response to a question from Dr. Bluman, President Toope stated that the University had incurred debt to finance academic building projects, such as UBC Renew. In order to receive matching funds from the provincial government, the University had made the strategic decision to borrow \$60 million, and to pay for the costs of borrowing from the General Purpose Operating (GPO) Fund. As the debt is repaid, larger portions of GPO funding would become free for other purposes.

President Toope made some comments about the strategic allocation of resources, noting that he did not accept the idea that the only things worth funding were those that were "shiny and new."

Financial Statements 2006/2007 and Budget Outlook 2008/2009, continued

He assured Senators that, while it would be exciting to address some of the cross-cutting themes from *Trek 2010*, the executive would also consider the UBC's core mission in making allocation decisions.

In response to a question from Dr. Windsor-Liscombe, President Toope stated that the political climate remained complex. The provincial government, as the University's primary partner, was facing challenges related to downturns in the province's resource-based economy and exponential increases in health care costs. In this climate, the government was acting conservatively with respect to new recurring expenditures, but would perhaps be in favour on one-time investments in, for example, capital projects. The President expressed some frustration about a lack of decisive government action with respect to the future of higher education in the province. He remained optimistic about an upcoming meeting with the Premier, as well as the outcome of recent meetings with the Minister of Finance. The President could envision, as a result, a "modest" infusion of resources from the provincial government. The responsibility for rebalancing the budget, however, remained primarily with the University itself.

The President reported that there were significant opportunities to secure federal research funding. Recent positive engagement had indicated that many federal officials saw universities as engines for social and economic health and cultural change. He added that the University would also likely need to work to increase levels of private support, perhaps through a major campaign subject to approval by the Board of Governors.

The President noted that one of the concerns about past budgets was that they had been historically and incrementally based, rather than based on data on recent shifts in the student demand and enrolment. The University would need to carefully consider the programs in which it chose to invest.

Financial Statements 2006/2007 and Budget Outlook 2008/2009, continued

Agenda Committee Chair Dean Isaacson noted that the consideration of the combination of the previous year's financial statements and the current and future budgets was a new approach for Senate reporting. On behalf of the Senate, he expressed his appreciation to Vice-Presidents Sumner and Farrar for their informative reports under this new format.

Candidates for Degrees

President Toope drew attention to two special cases among the candidates for degrees: a posthumous granting and a retroactive granting. He briefly explained the circumstances surrounding each case.

*Dr. Windsor-
Liscombe
Dean Gallini*

} *That the candidates for degrees and diplomas, as approved by the Faculties and Schools, be granted the degree or diploma for which they were recommended, effective November 2007, and that a committee comprised of the Registrar, the appropriate dean(s) and the Chair of the Vancouver Senate be empowered to make any necessary adjustments.*

Carried, with the
required 2/3
majority.

From the Board of Governors

The Senate received confirmation that the following recommendations of the Vancouver Senate had been approved as required under the *University Act* Sections 37 (l) (i) (o) and 38 (information)

Senate Meeting of September 19, 2007

1. Curriculum proposals from the Faculties of Arts, Commerce & Business Administration, Graduate Studies, Law, and Science.
2. Name change from the School of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene to the School of Environmental Health
3. Establishment of three new chairs: Sunny Hill Health Centre BC Leadership Chair in Child Development, UBC/Providence Health Care BC Leadership Chair in

From the Board of Governors, continued

Addiction Research, and BC Leadership Chair in Advanced Forest Products Manufacturing Technology

Academic Policy Committee

Committee Chair Dr. P. G. Harrison presented the reports.

EXAMINATION HARDSHIPS POLICY

The Committee had circulated a proposal to amend the Calendar entry on Examination Hardships as follows (new text in bold):

Examination Hardships

An examination hardship is defined as three or more **final** examinations scheduled within a 24-hour period. A student facing an examination hardship shall be given a **new** examination date for the second examination causing hardship by the respective instructor or department/**faculty**. The student must notify the instructor of the second examination no later than one month prior to the examination date **for courses in the Winter Session, or no later than two weeks prior to the examination date for courses in the Summer Session.**

<i>Dr. P. G. Harrison</i>	}	<i>That Senate approve the revised policy on Examination Hardships.</i>
<i>Dr. McKee</i>		

AMENDMENT

In response to an issue raised by Dr. Yaworsky, the first sentence was amended as follows, by consent:

...three or more **end-of-term** examinations scheduled...

The motion to approve the amended policy was put and carried.

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UBC-REND A SUMMER PROGRAM IN BUDDHIST STUDIES

The Committee had circulated a proposal to establish a new joint summer program in Buddhist studies.

<i>Dr. P. G. Harrison</i>	}	<i>That Senate approve the establishment of the UBC-Renda Summer Program in Buddhist Studies, whereas UBC, through its Department of Asian Studies, enters into an affiliation agreement with People's University of China (Jhongguo Renmin Daxue or "Renda") in Beijing to sponsor a joint Summer Program in Buddhist Studies.</i>
<i>Dean Gallini</i>		

DISCUSSION

In introducing the proposal, Dr. Harrison commended the Department of Asian Studies for establishing this high degree of collaboration. He cited this joint summer program as an example of the Department working around the world to promote its own scholarship and scholarship in general.

Mr. Rawle asked about the possibility of human rights concerns in China. The Chair recognized Dr. Peter Nosco, Head, Department of Asian Studies, who responded that he had the highest confidence in the integrity of Renda as an institutional partner. He noted that Renda's programs in the humanities and social sciences were most highly ranked in China, and that Renda housed the foremost Chinese authorities on Buddhism and Confucianism. If UBC were to ever become concerned, however, it could choose to withdraw from the partnership.

The motion was put
and carried.

Academic Policy Committee, continued

ROBERT H. LEE GRADUATE SCHOOL

The Committee had circulated the following report.

The Academic Policy Committee has reviewed the Faculty of Commerce & Business Administration's request to use the title "school" to describe its graduate offerings without the creation of an administrative structure associated with that title. This request is made in part to acknowledge the generous donation and support of Chancellor Emeritus Lee to the Faculty and our University.

This proposal has broad support from faculty and students in the Faculty, and the name has been approved by the Board of Governors following University policies. The designation of graduate programs with their own identity is not without precedent in Canada and internationally. The Segal Graduate School at Simon Fraser University and the Rotman School of Management at the University of Toronto are two existing graduate business program-only entities in Canada. Similarly, the Stanford Graduate School of Business recently created a separate business campus to recognize a gift from Nike founder Phil Knight.

As noted by the Board of Governors in their approval of the naming, "the creation of the Robert H. Lee Graduate School will enhance the visibility and reputation of the Sauder School and the University." The \$15 million commitment from Dr. Lee will allow the Faculty to expand and upgrade the physical facilities that house the graduate programs, including the construction of new classrooms and "breakout" rooms, the creation of enhanced group and individual study spaces, and improvements in the application of information technology throughout the curriculum. The ability to separately identify the Faculty's graduate programs will also serve to provide greater public awareness and recognition of the graduate programs in business at UBC Vancouver.

<i>Dr. P. G. Harrison</i>	}	<i>That Senate consent to the use of the title "school" by the Faculty of Commerce & Business Administration in the marketing and other informal descriptions of its graduate programs as the "Robert H. Lee Graduate School" without the creation of the administrative structures associated with a formal academic unit with that title.</i>
<i>Dr. Brander</i>		

DISCUSSION

Dr. Harrison noted that this kind of naming was common among business schools, and that the motion to permit use of the title only did not preclude the possibility of a future proposal to create the necessary structure for a UBC school. In response to a question about an apparent "school

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within a school”, Dr. Harrison clarified that “Sauder School of Business” was an approved alternate name to be used for marketing purposes by the Faculty of Commerce & Business Administration. The unit retained its status as a Faculty.

In response to a concern raised by Acting Principal Thompson, the Recording Secretary was asked to note in the Minutes that the proposal was not intended to encroach in any way on the role of the Faculty of Graduate Studies with respect to graduate programs.

The motion was put
and carried.

Joint Reports from the Academic Policy Committee and the Curriculum Committee

Academic Policy Committee Chair Dr. P. G. Harrison presented the joint reports.

REORGANIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE, FILM, & CREATIVE WRITING AND RELATED CURRICULUM PROPOSALS

Please see also ‘Appendix A: Curriculum Summary’.

Joint Reports from the Academic Policy Committee and the Curriculum Committee, continued

The Committees had jointly circulated a proposal to reorganize the Department of Theatre, Film, & Creative Writing within the Faculty of Arts.

<i>Dr. Harrison</i>	}	<i>That the study of Creative Writing be established as an independent interdisciplinary program within the Faculty of Arts;</i>
<i>Dr. Plessis</i>		

That all programs or components of programs offered by the Creative Writing division in the Department of Theatre, Film, & Creative Writing be transferred to the Faculty of Arts (Independent Interdisciplinary Program in Creative Writing) as set out in the attached curriculum report and associated category 2 changes to be considered by the Curriculum Committee; and

That the Department of Theatre, Film, & Creative Writing be renamed the Department of Theatre & Film.

The Committee had included in its report the following clarification:

Faculty Appointments in Creative Writing will formally remain with the Department of Theatre & Film for the purposes of considerations of promotion & tenure and other aspects of the collective agreement between UBC and the Faculty Association.

The motion was put
and carried.

REORGANIZATION OF THE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK AND FAMILY STUDIES AND RELATED CURRICULUM PROPOSALS

Please see also 'Appendix A: Curriculum Summary.'

Joint Reports from the Academic Policy Committee and the Curriculum Committee, continued

The Committees had jointly circulated a proposal to reorganize the School of Social Work and Family Studies within the Faculty of Arts.

*Dr. Harrison
Dean Gallini*

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*That a School of Social Work be re-established
in the Faculty of Arts;*

*That the Bachelor and Master of Social Work,
and the Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work &
Family Studies programs be transferred to the
School of Social Work from the School of Social
Work & Family Studies as set out in the
attached curriculum report and associated
category 2 changes to be considered by the
Curriculum Committee;*

*That the Major and Minor in Family Studies in
the Bachelor of Arts and the Master of Arts in
Family Studies be transferred to the
Department of Sociology from the School of
Social Work & Family Studies as set out in the
attached curriculum report and associated
category 2 changes to be considered by the
Curriculum Committee;*

*That Senate recommend to the Board of
Governors that all faculty members in the
discipline of social work with current
appointments in the of Social Work & Family
Studies have their appointments transferred to
the School of Social Work;*

*That Senate recommend to the Board of
Governors that all faculty members in the
discipline of family studies with current
appointments in the School of Social Work &
Family Studies have their appointments
transferred to the Department of Sociology; and*

*That the School of Social Work & Family
Studies be dis-established.*

Joint Reports from the Academic Policy Committee and the Curriculum Committee, continued

DISCUSSION

Dr. Arneil asked about provisions for a smooth transition with respect to promotion and tenure for existing faculty. The Chair recognized Prof. Riches, who confirmed that these issues had been addressed and that faculty members were comfortable.

The motion was put
and carried.

Admissions Committee

Committee Chair Dr. Berger presented the reports.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE TRANSFER CREDIT

The Committee had circulated a proposal to amend the Calendar entry on International Baccalaureate Transfer Credit to provide for the possibility of credit for selected Standard Level International Baccalaureate courses.

<i>Dr. Berger</i>	}	<i>That Senate approve the revised Calendar entry on International Baccalaureate Transfer Credit.</i>
<i>Dr. P. G. Harrison</i>		

Carried.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ADMISSION STANDARD WAIVER

The Committee had circulated a proposal to modify the Calendar entry on English Language Admission Standard Waiver. In order to qualify for a waiver under the amended policy, applicants would need three (formerly four) consecutive years of full-time education in English in Canada. For students educated outside Canada, the proposed Calendar entry clarified that UBC had the responsibility of determining whether it considered English as the principal language in a given country.

<i>Dr. Berger</i>	}	<i>That Senate approve the revised calendar entry on the English Language Admission Standard waiver.</i>
<i>Mr. Rawle</i>		

Carried.

BRITISH COLUMBIA PROVINCIAL EXAMINATIONS AS ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The Committee had circulated for information a proposal to change UBC admissions policy for applicants following the British Columbia secondary school curriculum such that provincial examinations would not be required for admission to UBC. For applicants who chose to write provincial examinations, the examination scores would only be considered if they increased the applicant's admission average.

The Admissions Committee had intended to present this item for approval, but had recently been informed that it would be useful to wait one or two months to allow ongoing discussions between the University and the Ministry of Education to conclude. The item was therefore presented for information only, with the understanding that the Admissions Committee would report again on this issue in the near future.

In introducing the report, Dr. Berger explained that this change originated when the Ministry of Education discontinued grade 12 provincial examinations other than Language Arts as high school graduation requirements. The results of provincial examinations have not been available until the first week of August each year, meaning that admission offers could not be confirmed until after that time. Dr. Berger stated that it would be to UBC's advantage to make final offers as early as possible so as to attract the best students and to compete with Ontario universities that were making final offers to BC students in April and May.

Dr. Berger stated that a working group assembled to make recommendations to the Vice-President, Academic & Provost had not been able to reach consensus about the optimal way to proceed. The working group had therefore delivered a number of recommendations to Vice-President *pro tem*. George Mackie, who ultimately endorsed the option of discontinuing provin-

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cial examinations as admission requirements. The Admissions Committee later accepted that same recommendation and planned to recommend approval by the Senate in the near future.

DISCUSSION

Dr. Bluman emphasized the importance of this matter for the University and for the province. He stated that, if UBC were to make provincial examinations optional, Simon Fraser University and the University of Victoria would necessarily follow suit and the consensus was that provincial examinations would eventually disappear altogether. He added that the examinations would still be required for provincial scholarships, although that policy might also be changed in the near future if UBC were to discontinue provincial examinations as admission requirements.

Dr. Bluman cited studies from university mathematics departments that showed that students who wrote high school examinations performed better at the post-secondary level. These studies had been used during the 1970s to lobby the provincial government to reinstitute the provincial examination program in BC high schools. He read excerpts from letters in support of provincial examinations that he had received from BC high school teachers.

Dr. Bluman expressed concern about the formation of the working group and the process used. He stated that the group's membership included only three Senators and that it was not a sub-committee of the Senate Admissions Committee. As a member of the working group, Dr. Bluman was concerned that he had not been permitted to recommend or make changes to the final report to the Vice-President, Academic & Provost.

Dr. Berger stated that the use of provincial examinations for university admission could be considered separately from their use to monitor the performance of the secondary education system.

Dean Tierney was pleased that the University was in consultation with the Ministry of Education on this matter. Dr. Berger agreed, adding that the University had undertaken extensive consulta-

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tion with the Ministry one year previously. Dean Tierney drew attention to recent increases in students enrolling in online courses without access to teachers as an issue worthy of consideration.

In response to a question from Dr. Yaworsky, Dr. Berger clarified that provincial examinations would not be required for admission but would still be required for scholarships. Dr. Yaworsky expressed the opinion that UBC was at a competitive disadvantage compared to Ontario universities due to the provincial examinations requirement.

Upon recognition by the Chair, Dr. Mackie stated that provincial examinations were useless with respect to making sound admissions decisions in a timely manner. He added that the Ministry of Education agreed that the examinations were written too late to be of use for this purpose.

Agenda Committee

Agenda Committee Chair Dean Isaacson presented the report.

SENATE SECRETARIAT

The Agenda Committee had circulated for information a report about recent changes in the Senate Secretariat. The report included positive news about the Secretariat budget, a complete staff list, and an announcement about the alternate title of Associate Secretary of Senate to be used by the Assistant Registrar, Senate & Curriculum Services.

Joint Report from the Agenda Committee and the Nominating Committee

Agenda Committee Chair Dean Isaacson presented the joint report.

ROLES, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND PROCEDURES OF SENATE COMMITTEES

The two Committees had circulated for information a report on progress toward clarifying the respective roles, responsibilities, and procedures of the standing committees of Senate. The

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report asked that each standing committee develop, in collaboration with the Nominating Committee, a document listing the following:

1. Committee terms of reference (as approved by Senate),
2. The Committee's composition, quorum for the transaction of business, and voting rights (as approved by Senate),
3. An expanded description of the roles and responsibilities of the Committee, including areas of interaction with other Committees of Senate,
4. A listing of any powers delegated by the Senate to the Committee,
5. A listing of any relevant arrangements whereby responsibilities are delegated to or shared with various academic and non-academic units and officers of UBC, and
6. Any regular reporting responsibilities.

The following is an excerpt from the joint report from the Agenda Committee and the Nominating Committee outlining the rationale for this approach.

The *University Act* [Section 37 (1)] gives the Senate a broad range of powers with respect to the academic governance of the University. These powers have traditionally been exercised through a complex balance of Senate policies, meeting minutes, interpretations of "current practice", University Calendar statements, and the explicit and implicit delegation of various Senate powers to its committees, and in turn to various academic and non-academic units and officers of UBC.

The terms of reference of Senate Committees are often so succinct that they may not provide sufficient guidance to the Committees to enable them to realize the full potential of their assigned roles. As well, terms of reference may contain insufficient detail to avoid ambiguities relating to their roles.

A number of circumstances relating to the activities of the current Senate have suggested a need for greater clarity about the roles, responsibilities and procedures of Senate committees. Examples include the following:

- At the September 2007 Senate meeting, the Chair of the Admissions Committee commented on the University's recent decision to void the terms contained in letters of offer to some applicants, contrary to the wishes of the admitting faculty and without the endorsement of the Committee itself. The Chair indicated that the Committee has been primarily concerned with the consideration of changes to the UBC Calendar (Minutes of Senate, vol. 07/08, p. 12). On the other hand, the University Act gives the Senate broad powers "to determine all questions relating to the academic and other qualifications required of applicants for admission as students to the university or to any faculty ...".
- Section 27 (2) (f) of the University Act requires the approval of the Senate to establish procedures for the recommendation and selection of senior academic administrators. However, Senate approval for revisions to these policies from 2000 to 2006 had not been sought, and the Nominating Committee's attempts

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- over the past year to harmonize Board and Senate policies and procedures regarding such appointments have yet to be successful.
- In a number of instances, there has been ambiguity as to whether items need to be brought to Senate at all, and if so, for approval or for information.
 - The May 2005 report on the review of Senate stated: *“there was a general consensus that Senate has largely lost its role as the primary body for academic governance. Senate was viewed as being “reactive” rather than “proactive” in academic policy, and as having become marginalized in some areas. Policies were viewed as deriving largely from the senior administration, with the vice-presidents, especially the Vice-President, Academic and Provost, and the Associate Vice-Presidents reporting to the Provost having taken on an increasingly enlarged role in academic policy.”* In this context, there is a view that Senate committees remain insufficiently engaged in the development of academic policy and academic governance, and are increasingly requested to consider reports derived from the senior administration for their approval and transmittal to the Senate.
 - In a number of instances, opportunities afforded by a Committees’ terms of reference are not being fully exercised and reported on to the Senate. As a particular example, the terms of reference of the Academic Building Needs Committee include: “to review annually all building project priorities”; “to recommend priorities on new academic buildings...”; “to review the impact of every development, whether building or landscape,...”; and “to report annually to Senate on the status of building projects...” In cases such as this, clarifications and specific procedures may be needed to enable a Committee to carry out its mandate.
 - It is acknowledged that some Committees, such as the Committee on Appeals on Academic Standing, the Committee on Student Appeals on Academic Discipline, and the Tributes Committee, already have well established rules and procedures, and that additional clarifications may not be needed in such cases.

The Nominating Committee hoped to complete the above-mentioned template in collaboration with each Committee and report to the Senate on the matter by April 2008.

Curriculum Committee

Please see also ‘Appendix A: Curriculum Summary.’

Committee Chair Dr. Marshall presented the reports.

Curriculum Committee, continued

CURRICULUM PROPOSALS FROM THE FACULTY OF ARTS AND THE FACULTY OF COMMERCE & BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

<i>Dr. Marshall</i>	}	<i>That the new courses and programs brought forward by the Faculties of Arts and Commerce & Business Administration be approved.</i>
<i>Dr. Windsor-</i>		
<i>Liscombe</i>		

Carried.

NEW CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

The Committee had circulated information about three new certificate programs:

1. Certificate in Industrial Wood Finishing;
2. Certificate in Infection Prevention and Control; and
3. Certificate in Immigration Practice: Laws, Policies, and Procedures.

DISCUSSION

Dr. P. G. Harrison stated that one of the new certificates had implications for students in the Faculty of Science, and asked whether the appropriate consultations had taken place. Upon recognition by the Chair, Academic Governance Officer Mr. Christopher Eaton stated that the current policy on certificate approval did not include a requirement for consultation, but that the policy could be changed to institute such a requirement. Dr. Marshall confirmed that the Curriculum Committee was open to suggestions about prospective process improvements. President Toope suggested that the Curriculum Committee consider the approval process for certificate programs, in light of Dr. Harrison's comments, and report back to the Senate.

President Toope acknowledged that the Curriculum Committee's report, although discussed very briefly at meetings of the Senate, represented a great deal of work by the Committee.

Nominating Committee

VICE-CHAIR OF SENATE

Committee member Dean Isaacson presented the following report for information.

As Senators will recall, Senate must elect a Vice-Chair to serve as Chair in the absence of the President on an annual basis. As a result of the call for nominations made on 28 September 2007, one nomination has been received and confirmed by the Secretary to Senate: Joint Faculties Senator Rhodri Windsor-Liscombe.

In accordance with the Regulations governing the election, Dr. Windsor-Liscombe is acclaimed as elected until 31 August 2007 and thereafter until a successor is elected.

Dr. Windsor-Liscombe stated that he was honoured to so serve.

ADJUSTMENTS TO SENATE COMMITTEES

Committee Chair Dr. Windsor-Liscombe presented the report that proposed the following membership adjustments for Committees of Senate.

1. Ad Hoc Committee on Writing and Communication Skills
Add Dr. Christopher Friedrichs to replace Dr. Barbara Arneil
2. Admissions Committee
Add Dr. Kelly Russell to replace Dr. Janis Sarra
3. Appeals on Academic Standing Committee
Add Dr. Robert Sparks to replace Dr. Ian Franks
4. Curriculum Committee
Add Andrei Ionescu to replace Richard Lam
Add Ashish Mohan to replace Ben Toosi
Add Dr. Kelly Russell to replace Dr. Barbara Arneil
5. Library Committee
Add Dr. Janis Sarra to fill vacancy
Add Dr. Robert Sparks to replace Dr. Donald Paterson
6. Teaching and Learning Committee
Add Ms. Judith Plessis to replace Ms. Jane Hutton
Add to Dr. Mary Bryson replace Dean Nancy Gallini
Add Mr. Dean Leung to fill vacancy

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7. Tributes Committee

Add Ms. Judith Plessis to replace Ms. Jane Hutton

<i>Dr. Windsor- Liscombe Dr. Knight</i>	}	<i>That Senate approve the proposed revisions to membership of Committees of Senate.</i>
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Carried.

SENIOR ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT POLICIES

Committee Chair Dr. Windsor-Liscombe presented the following report.

As Senate is aware from discussions last year, there is inconcurrence between Board and Senate policies for appointments of senior academic administrators (e.g., deans, Vice-Presidents Research, etc.). The Nominating Committee has been working over the past year to resolve this matter, but has yet to be successful.

Attached to this memorandum [not included in the Minutes of Senate] is a recent letter from the Committee to the Employee Relations Committee of the Board of Governors. It is provided to you in the interests of informing the Senate of the Committee's views on the status of this matter.

Further, in the interests of open governance and Senate's appropriate involvement in an area where it has an explicitly legislated duty, the Committee requests that the Senate resolve as follows:

<i>Dr. Windsor- Liscombe Dr. Young</i>	}	<i>That the President be and is hereby requested to report to Senate at its meeting in January 2008 in regards to the current status of policies and procedures for senior academic administrative appointments (Board Policies 18, 21-24) and associated amendments or revisions thereto in development.</i>
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DISCUSSION

The President expressed frustration that this issue remained unresolved and stated that he would ensure delivery of a complete report on the matter as soon as possible.

The motion was put
and carried.

Student Awards Committee

Committee Chair Dr. Bluman presented the report.

NEW AWARDS

Please see also 'Appendix B: New Awards.'

<i>Dr. Bluman</i>	}	<i>That the new awards be accepted as listed and forward to the Board of Governors for approval, and that letters of thanks be sent to the donors.</i>
<i>Mr. Ahmed</i>		

Carried.

Tributes Committee

Committee Chair Dr. Thorne presented the report.

MEMORIAL MINUTE FOR MR. CHARLES MCKINNON CAMPBELL JR.

Dr. Thorne read out the following report:

Charles McKinnon Campbell Jr.

Charles Campbell was born in Phoenix, BC on November 25, 1913 and passed away on September 2, 2007 at the Saanich Peninsula Hospital.

With his family, he circumnavigated the globe, living in Montreal, Cape Town and O'okiep, South Africa, and visiting England, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji and Hawaii. Upon his return to Vancouver, he studied Mineral Engineering at UBC.

Charles Campbell came from a family where civic engagement was second-nature and consistently honoured his family's tradition of unstinting public advocacy. In the 1972 BC provincial election, he ran as a Liberal in the Vancouver-Burrard riding and later, served as president of the provincial Liberal party. From 1966 to 1975, he was a convocation member of the UBC Senate. In 1974, Mr. Campbell began 10 years of service as a member and eventually vice-chair of what was then known as the Immigration Appeal Board. His displeasure with immigration administration led to a quarter century of persistent advocacy for more consistent and rigorous immigration policy. At the age of 86, frustrated that meaningful public debate was often torpedoed by either bigotry or political correctness, he self-published the book *Betrayal and Deceit: The Politics of Canadian Immigration*.

Tributes Committee, continued

In keeping with Mr. Campbell's commitment to civil society, the Campbell Phoenix Fund has been established through the Vancouver Foundation with a goal to facilitate writing on public policy in British Columbia.

<i>Dr. Thorne</i>	}	<i>That the Memorial Minute for Charles McKinnon Campbell Jr. be entered into the Minutes of Senate and that a copy of the memorial minute be sent to the family of the deceased.</i>
<i>Mr. Leung</i>		

Carried.

Report from the Vice-President, Academic & Provost

Vice-President Farrar presented the report.

AMENDMENT TO UBC POLICY #21 ON THE APPOINTMENT OF DEANS AND PRINCIPALS

Vice-President Farrar presented a proposal to amend UBC Policy #21. The following is an excerpt from Vice-President Farrar's covering memorandum to the Senate:

Under section 27(2)(f) of the *University Act*, the Board of Governors is empowered, with the approval of the relevant Senate, to establish procedures for the recommendation and selection of candidates for Deans and other senior academic administrators as the Board of Governors may designate.

Currently the procedures for the appointment of Deans and Principals are not in concurrence between the Board of Governors and the Senates at UBC Vancouver and UBC Okanagan.

The amended Policy #21 is recommended by the Provost and Vice President Academic (UBC Vancouver) and the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (UBC Okanagan). The amended Policy #21 deals with positions at both UBC Okanagan and UBC Vancouver, consequently it is being forwarded to both the UBC Okanagan Senate and the UBC Vancouver Senate for consideration and approval, as well as to the Board of Governors. This will bring the procedures for the appointment of Deans and Principals into concurrence between the Board and both Senates.

Provided that approval is received from all three bodies, the amended Policy #21 will be effective as of the date of the last approval, which is anticipated to be from the UBC Okanagan Senate on December 5, 2007.

The amended Policy #21 does not deal with the appointments of heads of academic units (other than Faculties and Colleges). Until such time as a new policy addressing

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these appointments is considered, the long standing practice in which the President convenes advisory committees will continue.

<i>Vice-President</i>	}	<i>That the UBC Vancouver Senate approve the proposed amended Policy #21, Appointment of Deans and Principals (Joint Senate and Board Policy), such approval to expire on June 30, 2008.</i>
<i>Farrar</i>		
<i>Dean Isaacson</i>		

DISCUSSION

In response to a question from Dr. Harrison about presidential appointments to advisory committees, President Toope clarified that this mechanism would allow the President to balance a committee's composition without having undue influence.

Dr. Yaworsky noted an apparent inconsistency in the policy's language. Some sections appeared to be prescriptive, e.g., "will convene", while others contained much more flexible language such as "normally consult" and "generally consistent with."

By consent of the assembly, Governor Darren Peets addressed the Senate to suggest that the advisory committee for the selection of the Dean of Applied Science should include graduate student representation from each campus. He added that, for decanal search committees, the student membership section might need to be adjusted for Faculties where there are no undergraduate students.

The President and Vice-President, Academic & Provost confirmed that the policy would be returned to Senate prior to the approval expiry date of June 30, 2008.

The motion was put
and carried.

Report from the Secretary to Senate

In the absence of the Secretary, Associate Secretary Ms. Collins presented the report.

FORMAT CHANGE FOR GRADUATION CEREMONIES

The following is an excerpt from the report summarizing recent changes to the format for graduation ceremonies, which had been circulated for information. Ms. Collins explained that the Secretary to Senate had agreed to forward the report to the Senates on behalf of the Ceremonies Office.

Summary of Changes

- A consistent format will apply to the entire set of ceremonies at each Convocation.
- In order to accommodate the current Chancellor's wishes:
 - The primary role of Deans, commencing with the November 2007 Convocation, will be to shake hands with graduating students.
 - An Associate Dean, Director of School, or other representative of the Faculties chosen in consultation with the respective Deans and the Ceremonies Office shall read names. (There is currently an arrangement between the Faculty of Graduate Studies and the disciplinary Faculties, whereby Directors of Schools read the names of candidates for graduate degrees from their respective Schools.)
- Recognizing that future Chancellors will wish to play somewhat different roles in Convocation over time, the option of the Chancellor shaking hands with each graduand throughout a set of ceremonies should be preserved.
- There are often degrees that are associated with more than one Faculty. The two primary examples of this are (i) degrees that are offered jointly by two Faculties; and (ii) degrees whose candidates are recommended to the Senate by the Faculty of Graduate Studies but which are offered through a disciplinary Faculty. The new arrangement provides a convenient opportunity to engage two Faculties in such activities. The Deans of both Faculties may shake hands with graduating students in such cases. 2
- The role of shaking hands may be delegated to an Associate Dean when neither the Dean of the "recommending" Faculty, or Dean of the "offering" Faculty is available for this role at a particular ceremony.
- In the case of graduate degrees, should the Director of the School or the Associate Dean of the Faculty not be able to read the assigned graduate degrees, (i.e., M. Eng, M. Mus.) the reading would revert back to the Associate Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies. The Dean of the Faculty would shake the can-

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didate's hand. Should the Dean not be available, an Associate Dean would represent the Dean of the Faculty in this function.

- The printed program will list, against each degree, the Dean(s) or Dean's representative (i.e., Associate Dean) who is scheduled to shake hands. The reader is listed once for each appropriate degree.

These changes will be implemented for the November 2007 ceremonies. A review of these changes will be conducted before the Spring 2008 ceremonies.

DISCUSSION

Dean Isaacson stated that there had been some discussion about whether the report ought to have been presented to the Senate for information or for approval. He also stated that, although there was strong support for the Chancellor's wishes to shake hands, some of the above-mentioned arrangements had been made contrary to the wishes of a majority of the Deans, and it appeared to be unclear which person or body was able to make a final decision on such matters. He proposed that the review mentioned in the report be conducted through a committee chaired by the Vice-President, Academic & Provost, and that the committee include one dean and one member of Senate. President Toope agreed that a review seemed reasonable and stated that he and the Vice-President would take Dean Isaacson's suggestions under advisement.

In response to a question from Dr. Friedrichs, Ms. Collins stated that she was not certain what would happen if a future Chancellor wished to re-institute the practice of kneeling before the Chancellor at graduation, but that she expected there would be consultation before such a decision was taken.

Other Business

STUDENT EVALUATION OF TEACHING

Dr. Dunford suggested that a Senate discussion about the student evaluation of teaching would be timely. The Vice-President, Academic & Provost agreed to deliver a report on the implementation of the May 2007 Senate Policy on the Student Evaluation of Teaching.

Tributes Committee -- *in camera*

Committee Chair Dr. Thorne presented the report.

CANDIDATES FOR HONORARY DEGREES

The Tributes Committee had prepared a list of candidates for honorary degrees to be conferred during graduation ceremonies to take place in 2008. Dr. Thorne reminded Senators that the list was to remain confidential until such time as the candidates had agreed to accept the degree and a public announcement was made.

<i>Dr. Thorne</i>	}	<i>That Senate approve the list of candidates for honorary degrees.</i>
<i>Dr. Dennison</i>		

Carried.

APPENDIX A: CURRICULUM SUMMARY

Faculty of Arts

Curriculum changes related to the reorganization of the Department of Theatre, Film, and Creative Writing.

Curriculum Changes related the reorganization of the School of Social Work and Family Studies.

New courses:

- a. **SOCI 217** (3/6) d Research Methods
- b. **SOCI 303** (3/6) d Sociology of Migration
- c. **SOCI 342** (3) Consumers and Consumption
- NB: FMST 342 and FMST 350 will be discontinued.*
- d. **SOCI 430** (3) Global Citizenship
- e. **SOCI 440** (3/6) d Economic Sociology
- f. **SOCI 476** (3) Interpersonal Dynamics

NB: FMST 322 will be discontinued.

Faculty of Commerce & Business Administration

The following new sub-specializations in the **Master of Business Administration** program:

- a. Organizational Behaviour and Human Resources Sub-Specialization
- b. Strategic Management Sub-Specialization
- c. Supply Chain Management Sub-Specialization
- d. Entrepreneurship Sub-Specialization
- e. Marketing Sub-Specialization
- f. Information Technology Management Sub-Specialization

Modify the following existing sub-specialization: Sustainability and Business

APPENDIX B: NEW AWARDS

ANNUAL Review of Insolvency Law Prize: A \$700 prize is offered by the Board of the Annual Review of Insolvency Law to a student in either the second or third year of study who achieves the highest standing in Insolvency Law. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Law. (First award available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

ASSOCIATED Engineering Award: A \$3,000 award is offered by Associated Engineering to an undergraduate student entering third year of Civil, Chemical, Mechanical or Electrical Engineering who has an interest in pursuing a career in consulting engineering. Candidates must be either Canadian citizens or Permanent Residents of Canada, have demonstrated student leadership, and have achieved high academic standing. Award recipients are invited to apply for a cooperative education placement or internship with Associated Engineering. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Applied Science. (First award available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

BRITISH Columbia Youth Foundation Bursary: Bursaries totalling \$8,000 have been endowed by the British Columbia Youth Foundation for students in any year or faculty who are in need of financial assistance. The Foundation was established in 1946 with funds bequeathed from the Estates of Joseph McKercher and E.S. Winn to assist students in furthering their education. Since its inception, the Foundation has been governed by a Board of Directors, who allocated repayable student loans to many hundreds of students over the years. In 2007 the format was changed and financial assistance is now in the form of bursaries administered by The University of British Columbia. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

CAPSI Professional Development Week Travel Award: Awards totalling \$1,000 have been endowed by CAPSI (Canadian Association of Pharmacy Students and Interns) for undergraduate or graduate students who require assistance to attend Professional Development Week conference activities. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

CEMENT Association of Canada Scholarship for Design in Concrete: A \$1,000 scholarship is offered by the Cement Association of Canada to a student in the Master of Architecture Program. Preference is given to a second or third year student demonstrating excellence in innovative use of concrete in a design studio project or through their course work. The award is made on the recommendation of the School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture. (First award available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Allan S. CLAYTON Memorial Graduate Scholarship in Nursing: A \$3,000 scholarship is offered by the family of Allan S. Clayton for a graduate student in the School of Nursing, with preference for a student with demonstrated community service. The award is made on the recommendation of the School of Nursing in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies. (First award available for the 2007/08

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CRICHTON Family Bursary: Bursaries totalling \$7,800 have been endowed by Heather Crichton (B.A.1975, B.Arch.1979) and Dr. Andrew Crichton (B.Sc.1978, M.D.1981) in memory of their parents, Dr. John Crichton and Dr. Erica Crichton. The Crichton family has a long and distinguished history at UBC and in the community. Dr. John Crichton was Professor Emeritus (pediatric neurology) in the Faculty of Medicine and practiced at B.C. Children's Hospital for many years. Dr. Erica Crichton was Professor Emerita in the Faculty of Medicine and served as bacteriologist at St. Paul's Hospital for many years. The bursaries are awarded to students in any faculty or program at UBC. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

CRICHTON Family Bursary in Medicine: Bursaries totalling \$7,800 have been endowed by Dr. Andrew Crichton (B.Sc.1978, M.D.1981) and Heather Crichton (B.A.1975, B.Arch.1979) in memory of their parents, Dr. John Crichton and Dr. Erica Crichton. The Crichton family has a long and distinguished history at UBC and in the community. Dr. John Crichton was Professor Emeritus (pediatric neurology) in the Faculty of Medicine and practiced at B.C. Children's Hospital for many years. Dr. Erica Crichton was Professor Emerita in the Faculty of Medicine and served as bacteriologist at St. Paul's Hospital for many years. The bursaries are awarded to students in the Faculty of Medicine. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

Paul GEYER Graduate Award in Biomedical Engineering: A \$2,500 award has been endowed by Paul Geyer for a graduate student entering the Biomedical Engineering Program in the Faculty of Applied Science. Preference is given to a student with an entrepreneurial spirit, an interest in the local biomedical engineering industry, and demonstrated leadership and communication skills. Recipients must be Canadian citizens or Permanent Residents. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies. (First award available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Neville E. GIBSON and Grosvenor Graduate Scholarship in Urban Land Economics: A \$10,000 scholarship has been established in recognition of Neville E. Gibson's exceptional contribution to Grosvenor, a real estate development, investment and asset management company, during his employment with the Company as Chief Executive Officer. The award is given to a graduate student with excellent academic standing who is studying Urban Land Economics at the Sauder School of Business. The award is made on the recommendation of the School in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies. (First award available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Myfanwy GRIFFITHS Bursary: Bursaries totalling \$5,000 have been endowed through a bequest by Myfanwy Griffiths for students enrolled in the Faculty of Education. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

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Annette Elisabeth HACKING Memorial Award in Medicine: A \$1,250 award has been endowed by the George and Elsa Hacking family, and by friends and colleagues, to honour and remember Dr. Annette Elisabeth Hacking. A UBC graduate (M.D. 1985, F.R.C.P.C. 1992 psychiatry), in public and private practice she cared for those with serious psychological illnesses. Annette lived with enthusiasm and compassion, supporting many humanitarian causes, believing that the good in humanity will prevail. The award is for an M.D. student with an aptitude for and an interest in mental health. Adjudication is based on leadership skills, commitment to community service and demonstrated social conscience. The award is made on the recommendation of the Department of Psychiatry. (First award available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Nina M. (“Nini”) HARRIS-LOWE Memorial Bursary in Special Education: Bursaries totalling \$1,000 have been endowed by Mr. Rick Lowe (B.Sc.1982) in memory of his wife, Mrs. Nina M. “Nini” Harris-Lowe, who had a strong interest in children with special education needs. The bursaries are awarded to special education students in the Faculty of Education, with preference for those who are single parents of either gender and wish to improve their professional credentials or retrain for a return to the workforce. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

HENDERSON Development Canada Limited Scholarship: Two scholarships of \$1,000 each are offered by Henderson Development (Canada) Ltd. for undergraduate students in the Sauder School of Business. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Nancy HERMISTON Scholarship in Opera: Scholarships totalling \$1,000 have been endowed by an anonymous donor in honour of Professor Nancy Hermiston, Head of the Voice and Opera Division and Director of the UBC Opera Ensemble in the School of Music. The scholarships are awarded to students in the Voice and Opera Division, with a preference for students in the UBC Opera Ensemble. The awards are made on the recommendation of the School. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

HOTSON Bakker Boniface Haden Scholarship in Urban Design: A \$1,000 scholarship is offered by Hotson Bakker Boniface Haden for a student in the Architecture Program, with preference for a student entering third year who has demonstrated excellence in urban design. The award is made on the recommendation of the School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture. (First award available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

NOTE: In addition to supporting this annual scholarship, the donors have pledged to create a \$25,000 endowment over the next five years to fund a \$1,250 scholarship in perpetuity. Once the endowment is fully in place, the annually-funded scholarship will be discontinued.

Patsy HUI Scholarship: Scholarships totalling \$1,000 have been endowed by Patsy Hui for undergraduate students in any year or faculty who have achieved high academic standing. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

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INDEPENDENT Lumber Remanufacturers Association Scholarship in Wood Products Processing: Scholarships totalling \$1,000 are offered by the Independent Lumber Remanufacturers Association to outstanding undergraduate students in the Wood Products Processing Program. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Forestry. (First award available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Iva Maria LESTER Memorial Graduate Scholarship in Accounting: Scholarships totalling \$10,500 have been endowed through a bequest by Iva Maria Lester for graduate students in Accounting. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Sauder School of Business in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

William Bruce Dirk LONGON Scholarship: Scholarships totalling \$11,500 have been endowed through a bequest by William Bruce Dirk Longon for students in industrial relations. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Sauder School of Business. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Emily LONGWORTH Memorial Award: Awards totalling up to \$2,000 are offered by the Emily Longworth “New Teachers’ Creative Activities” Fund held at Vancouver Foundation. Emily Longworth, as a teacher candidate, was an inspiration and role model to her students. The awards are made to Bachelor of Education (Elementary) students whose practica involve implementing curriculum enrichment and/or extra-curricular activities for their students that promote multicultural understanding, healthy lifestyle, environmental awareness, and inspire students to achieve their full potential in life. Candidates must apply annually through the Faculty of Education’s Teacher Education Office by January 30. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Nicki MAGNOLO Memorial Graduate Prize: A \$500 prize is offered by family and colleagues in memory of Ms. Nicki Magnolo, an alumna (B.A. 2001 in Asian Studies), graduate student and teaching assistant in the Department of Asian Studies who passed away in 2004. The prize is awarded on the recommendation of the Department to a graduate student who has worked as a teaching assistant in the Department. (First award available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

NOVICOV Scholarship in Engineering: Scholarships totalling \$2,900 have been endowed by Aleksey Novicov for students in Engineering. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Applied Science. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

Margaret A. ORMSBY Memorial Scholarship: Scholarships totalling \$1,250 have been endowed through a bequest by Gordon R. Elliott in memory of Dr. Margaret Anchoretta Ormsby, C.M., O.B.C. (1909-1996) for students in the Department of History. A distinguished B.C. historian, Dr. Ormsby began her teaching career at UBC in 1943 and served as Head of the Department of History from 1965 to

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1974. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Department. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

Frank and Doris PERRY Memorial Bursary in Arts: Bursaries totalling \$2,500 have been endowed through a bequest by Frank Perry for undergraduate students in second year or higher in the Faculty of Arts, majoring in Canadian History, Geography or English. Where possible, preference is given to students who completed secondary school in North Vancouver. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Frank and Doris PERRY Memorial Bursary in Library and Information Services: Bursaries totalling \$2,500 have been endowed through a bequest by Frank Perry for students in their second year of study towards a Master of Library and Information Studies. Where possible, preference is given to students who completed secondary school in North Vancouver. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

RBC Financial Group and Vancouver & District Dental Society Scholarship: A \$1,500 scholarship is offered by RBC Financial Group, Investment Advisor Philip Francis from RBC Dominion Securities, and the Vancouver & District Dental Society for a student entering second year in the D.M.D. Program with high academic standing. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Dentistry. (First award available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Mehr Zaman Amir SALEH Scholarship in Engineering and Science: A \$5,000 scholarship is offered by Shervin Bakhtiari (B.A.Sc. & M.Eng. 1997) and Shadi Bakhtiari (B.Sc. 2002) in honour of their grandmother, Mehr Zaman Amir Saleh, in celebration of her rich life across three continents, her abundant care for her children and grandchildren, and her never-ending passion and support for learning. The scholarship is awarded to undergraduates entering second year or higher in the Faculties of Applied Science or Science. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Applied Science in odd-numbered years and the Faculty of Science in even-numbered years. (First award available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

SLAIS Co-op Student of the Year Award: Two awards of \$1,000 each are offered to outstanding co-op students in the School of Library, Archival and Information Studies in recognition of outstanding achievement in all aspects, including academic standing, workplace performance, and professional/community involvement. One award is given to student pursuing a Master of Library and Information Studies (M.L.I.S.) degree and one to a student pursuing a Master of Archival Studies (M.A.S.) degree. Students in the Joint M.A.S./M.L.I.S. degree program are considered for the award in their area of Co-op experience. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Director of the Arts Co-op Program in consultation with the Arts Co-op Program Advisory Committee. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

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SPOUGE Family Bursary in Dentistry: Bursaries totalling \$1,000 have been endowed by Mrs. Pamela Spouge and the Spouge family in memory of Dr. John D. Spouge, who was a Professor of Dentistry (Department of Oral Medicine) at UBC for many years. Dr. Spouge obtained his university education as a mature student after serving in World War II. The bursaries are awarded to students in the Doctor of Dental Medicine Program in the Faculty of Dentistry, with a preference for students who are entering the program at a later than normal entry age. (First award available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

Graduate Fellowship in SUSTAINABLE Forestry: A \$25,000 fellowship is offered by the Koerner Foundation to an outstanding graduate student in a doctoral program in the Faculty of Forestry undertaking research that contributes to the sustainability of forests and the forest sector in general, as well as the promotion of the best silvicultural and environmental practices. The fellowship is available to a Canadian citizen or permanent resident and may be renewed subject to satisfactory academic standing and progress. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Forestry in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies. (First award available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

Paul SYKES Scholarship in Astronomy: A \$1,000 scholarship has been endowed by the family of UBC Physics Professor Emeritus, Paul Sykes, in recognition of his passion for and dedication and commitment to astronomy. The award is made on the recommendation of the Department of Physics and Astronomy to a fourth year student in the Astronomy Program. Should there not be a suitable candidate in the Astronomy Program, the scholarship may be awarded to a student pursuing a combined Astronomy/Physics honours degree. (First award available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Vera Radcliffe THOMPSON Memorial Bursary: Bursaries totalling \$10,000 have been endowed through a bequest by Vera Elsie Thompson for students in the Faculty of Education who have identified Music, Canadian History, Geography or Social Studies as a teaching area. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

Lynn TROTTIER Memorial Geriatrics Prize: Prizes totalling \$500 have been endowed by friends of Lynn Trottier for students in the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences who have demonstrated an aptitude for and an interest in geriatric pharmacy practice. The prize is in recognition of Lynn Trottier, a Clinical Instructor and Clinical Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, who was passionate about improving the health care of geriatric patients. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Gilbert N. TUCKER Memorial Scholarship: Scholarships totalling \$3,750 have been endowed through a bequest by Gordon R. Elliott in memory of Gilbert N. Tucker (1898-1955), who served this University as scholar, historian and teacher. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Department of History to students majoring or honouring in History. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

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James YAN Award in Electrical and Computer Engineering: In appreciation of the education he received at UBC, Dr. James (Jim) Yan (B.A.Sc.1969, M.A.Sc.1971, and Ph.D.1977) has endowed a \$1,100 award for an undergraduate student entering third year of the Bachelor of Applied Science Program in Electrical and Computer Engineering. The award's recipient must have achieved a top 10% academic standing in his or her second year and have demonstrated significant contributions or leadership in student associations, community services, and/or cultural activities. The award is made on the recommendation of the Department. (First award available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

Previously-Approved Awards With Changes in Terms or Funding Source:

Award 00741 – V.C. BRINK Book Prize: (revised description) A \$350 prize has been endowed for a student who has excelled in participation and leadership in academic field trip activities, including related presentations and individual written assignments. Previously the fund supported the Dean B.A. Eagles Book Prizes from 1950 to 1978, when the prize was renamed and endowed by Dean and Mrs. Eagles in honour of Dr. Vernon C. Brink, first Director of the Field Trip, on the occasion of his retirement as Professor of Agronomy in the Department of Plant Science.

How amended: Previously, the prize was directed specifically to outstanding students in the Agriculture 300 Field Trip. Since this course ceased to exist some years ago, the prize has not been awarded since 1998. To rectify this situation, the Scholarship Chair in Land and Food Systems has recommended a more generic wording which does not cite specific course numbers but still restricts the prize to students participating in field trips. As the creation of the endowment predates the use of Endowment Deeds at UBC, there is no legal documentation on file precluding the revision, which is, in any case, in keeping with the spirit and intent of the original gift. The donors, Dean and Mrs. Blythe Eagles, passed away some years ago.

Award 03157 – Tommy DIESPECKER Memorial Prize: (revised description) A \$400 prize has been endowed by the friends of Tommy Diespecker for a student obtaining the highest standing in the field of clinical hematology (including microscopy). The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Medicine.

How amended: The prize was formerly restricted to “the third year medical student obtaining the highest standing in the field of clinical microscopy (hematology).” With changes in the M.D. curriculum, few students now spend any time dealing with microscopy and so the prize has become almost impossible to award. Accordingly, the revised language is recommended by the Faculty.

Award 02336 – FORED BC Society Ken Haley Memorial Prize: (revised description) A \$500 prize is offered by the FORED BC Society to the student achieving the highest standing in Forestry 327 (Forest Fire Science and Management). The award is made on the Faculty of Forestry.

How amended: This annually-funded award was formerly called the “Coast Fire Prevention and Control Group Ken Haley Memorial Prize” and a second course (Forestry 427) was also included in the criteria.

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As reflected in the new title, the sponsoring organization has now changed to the FORED BC Society. In addition, the Faculty has recommended that eligibility be restricted only to students in Forestry 327.

Award 04333 – Vladimir J. KRAJINA Scholarship in Plant Ecology: (revised description) A \$1,800 scholarship has been endowed by his friends, colleagues, and former students. The award is in recognition of Dr. Krajina's significant contribution to the University of British Columbia, not only while he was a member of the Department of Botany, from 1949-1970, but also subsequent to his retirement in 1970. His outstanding contribution to the development of the Ecological Reserves in British Columbia represents the culmination of a long and successful career as one of North America's foremost plant ecologists. The award is made to a student entering the graduate program in Botany and studying plant ecology with a preference for a student who has achieved outstanding performance in Biology 406 or Biology 407, or similar course. The award is made on the recommendation of the Department of Botany in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

How amended: The original description designated the award for an undergraduate student in Biology 406 or 407 who intended to do graduate work in Plant Ecology. The revised language permits the awarding of the prize to a student who is actually entering the graduate program and opens up the terms so as to make it possible to make an award each year. The language of the endowment deed is quite open and so there is no legal impediment to this revision.

Award 00355 – VANDUSEN Graduate Fellowship in Forestry: (revised description) One or more fellowships to a total of \$6800, the gift of the W.J. VanDusen Forestry Fund, through the Vancouver Foundation, are open to students proceeding to graduate work in the Faculty of Forestry. A candidate must be qualified to undertake graduate work in respect of scholarship, research ability, character, health, and indicate special interest in problems of forestry in British Columbia. The fellowships are made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Forestry and in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

How amended: The previous description stated the awards were "tenable for one year at the University of British Columbia, but may be renewed. If they are renewed for one or more years, the Dean of Forestry and the supervisor of studies may authorize the holders to pursue their studies further at another university or in another country." and "The field of research and the thesis will be arranged after consultation between the donor or his representative and the Dean of Forestry." With the agreement of the Vancouver Foundation, these provisions have been deleted from the revised version.

ANGLO American Scholarship in Applied Geochemistry: A \$10,000 scholarship is offered by Anglo American plc to a student entering third year with high academic standing, enrolled in the Honours Geology option with a combined honours, major or minor in Chemistry. Preference is given to candidates who have demonstrated a sincere interest in the mining and mineral exploration industry and show promise and leadership. The scholarship may be renewed for a second year provided the winner maintains scholarship standing upon entering the fourth year of study. The award is made on the recommendation of the Department of Earth and Ocean Sciences. (First award available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

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Peter R.B. ARMSTRONG Scholarship in Commerce: A \$1,000 scholarship has been endowed by Peter Armstrong for an undergraduate student in the Sauder School of Business who has shown an interest in business family studies. If no candidate is eligible under this criterion, the scholarship may be awarded to an undergraduate student in the Sauder School of Business who has shown an interest in entrepreneurship. Preference is given to students demonstrating qualities of leadership, initiative and innovation. The award is made on the recommendation of the School. (First award available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

B.C. TRANSMISSION Corporation Scholarship in Electrical Energy Systems (ELES) Option: Four scholarships of \$2,000 each are offered by B.C. Transmissions Corporation to students who are in their second year of study and four scholarships of \$2,000 each are offered to students who are in their third year of study in the Electrical Energy Systems (ELES) Option. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering based on strong academic standing, leadership capabilities, and a demonstrated interest in pursuing a career in the Electricity Sector. Scholarship recipients may be invited to apply for a cooperative education placement or internship with B.C. Transmission Corporation. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Lawrence and Maggie BURR Award: A \$1,000 award has been endowed by Dr. Lawrence Burr (M.D. 1964) and Maggie Burr (B.Mus. 1964) for an M.D. student who has successfully completed at least one year of the medical undergraduate program and demonstrates a strong commitment to the classical performing arts. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Medicine. (First award available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

Arthur CLOSE, Q.C. Prize in Advanced Legal Research: Prizes totalling \$400 have been endowed by Arthur Close, Q.C. and by his friends and colleagues at the B.C. Law Institute in honour of his retirement in 2007. The prizes are awarded on the recommendation of the Faculty of Law to students who achieve high standing in Advanced Legal Research. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

Nick COSMAN Award in Dentistry: Awards totalling \$2,800 are offered by Dr. Nick Cosman to undergraduate students in their final year of study in the D.M.D. Program who have shown exemplary patient care skills. In addition to academic merit, adjudication is based on excellent communication skills, compassion, and dedication to UBC dental patient care. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Joseph and Joyce GARDNER Scholarship in Forestry: A \$1,500 scholarship is offered by Dr. Joseph Gardner, Dean of Forestry from 1965 to 1983, and his wife, Mrs. Joyce Gardner, to an outstanding undergraduate student in the Faculty of Forestry. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty. (First award available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

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INTERNATIONAL Buddhist Society Graduate Scholarship: A \$10,000 scholarship is offered by the International Buddhist Society to an outstanding graduate student pursuing a masters or doctoral degree in Buddhism Studies. In the case of two exceptional candidates, two scholarships of \$5,000 may be awarded. The award is made on the recommendation of the Department of Asian Studies in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies. (First award available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Joseph and Melitta KANDLER Scholarship for Advanced Music Study: A \$2,500 scholarship has been endowed for an undergraduate student in third or fourth year Music or for a graduate student in the School of Music to assist with the cost of pursuing music training or research outside of Canada through a program of study approved by the School. Established by Maurice Danby Copithorne (Q.C., LL.D. Honoris Causa, UBC), former Canadian Ambassador to Austria, and Tamako Yagai, the first Japanese exchange student to attend UBC, with matching funds from the School of Music, the award honours Joseph and Melitta Kandler's immeasurable contributions to music and to fostering enduring ties between Canada and Austria. The award is made on the recommendation of the School. (First award available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

OLD Birds Women's Ice Hockey Award: One or more awards, which may range from a minimum of \$500 to the maximum allowable under athletic association regulations, are offered to outstanding members of the Thunderbirds Women's Ice Hockey Team in any year of study. Awards are made on the recommendation of the President's Athletic Awards Committee for outstanding students who have demonstrated excellent leadership skills and maintained good academic standing. The "Old Birds" is a men's recreational ice hockey group consisting of UBC Deans and Directors Emeriti. The group has existed for more than 25 years and has chosen the UBC Women's Varsity Ice Hockey team as its charity of choice. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

PHONAK Canada Graduate Entrance Award in Audiology: A \$4,000 award is offered to a student entering the Master of Science Program with a major in Audiology in the School of Audiology and Speech Sciences. Preference is given to a student with an interest in Amplification and/or Assistive Listening Devices technology. The award is made on the recommendation of the School in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies. (First award available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

Rosemary STEWART Scholarship: Scholarships totalling \$2,600 have been endowed by Rosemary Stewart (B.A. 1945), with a preference for students who are citizens of the United Kingdom. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

Grace WOLKOSKY Memorial Bursary: Bursaries totalling \$1,100 have been endowed by family, friends and colleagues in memory of Grace Wolkosky. Grace worked as an Academic Advisor for the Faculty of Arts for eight years, supporting and assisting countless students, staff and faculty. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

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Edwin H.K. YEN Bursary in Dentistry: Bursaries totalling \$1,600 have been endowed by alumni and friends, in honour of Dr. Edwin Yen's work as Dean and as a community leader, for students in the Faculty of Dentistry. Total bursary funding available each year is divided equally between students in the D.M.D. Program and those in the B.D.Sc. Program. Dr. Edwin Yen was Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry from 1994 to March 31, 2007. In his two terms as Dean, Dr. Yen established an international profile for the Faculty through research and global educational and student/faculty exchanges. Dr. Yen's legacy can be seen in the vision and construction of the Nobel Biocare Oral Health Centre, opened in 2006. This facility serves students, researchers and the community and continues to advance oral health. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

Previously-Approved Awards With Changes in Terms or Funding Source:

Award 08223 – Roy KIYOOKA Memorial Bursary in Fine Arts: (revised description) Bursaries totalling \$650 have been endowed by family, friends, and colleagues in memory of Roy Kiyooka, Professor Emeritus of Fine Arts, for undergraduate students in the Department of Art History, Visual Art and Theory, with a preference for students in visual art.

How amended: The name of the Department has been updated and a preference for students in visual art has been added at the request of the Department so as to reflect Prof. Kiyooka's artistic interests. The wording of the Endowment Deed approved by the Board of Governors in 2001 is sufficiently open to permit this revision.