OPEN MINUTES

Present: Dr. Erich Mohr (Acting Chair), Mr. Nav Bassi, Dr. Peter Driessen, Mr. Murray Farmer, Mr. Tony Gage, Ms. Lucia Heffelfinger Orser, Mr. Michael Kennedy, Ms. Lindsay LeBlanc, Mr. Tribesty Nguyen, Dr. David Turpin, Ms. Beverley Van Ruyven (for part), Prof. Barbara Whittington, Ms. Carrie Andersen (Acting Secretary)

Regrets: Ms. Jane Butler McGregor, Ms. Susan Mehinagic (Chair), Mr. Ray Potti, Dr. Julia Eastman (Secretary)

By Invitation: Dr. Howard Brunt, Ms. Carmen Charette, Mr. Tony Eder (for part), Ms. Gayle Gorrill, Dr. Catherine Mateer (for part), Dr. Reeta Tremblay, Ms. Samantha Watkins

1. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was declared approved as circulated.

2. Minutes

   a) Minutes of Regular Meeting of September 25, 2012

   MOTION (B. Van Ruyven/N. Bassi):
   
   THAT the minutes of the open session of the regular meeting of September 25, 2012 be approved.
   
   CARRIED

3. Business Arising

There was none.
4. Remarks from the Chair

There were none.

5. Correspondence

a. October 22, 2012 correspondence regarding impact of budget cuts

Dr. Turpin commented on the seriousness of the letter and indicated a response would be drafted by an appropriate member of the administration. He said short term steps had been taken to address the challenges created by budget cuts, and that the university was working towards long term solutions.

CONSENT

6. Operations and Facilities (M. Kennedy)

a. Status Report on Capital Projects BOG-Nov27/12-14

b. Due Diligence Reports – Facilities Management BOG-Nov27/12-15

c. New and Revised Graduate and Undergraduate Awards BOG-Nov27/12-05

MOTION:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the following new and revised graduate and undergraduate awards effective immediately:

- Paul Parizeau Bursary (revised)
- President’s Scholarship (revised)
- Spanish and Latin America Study Abroad Scholarship (new)*
- Chemistry Co-op Report Prizes (revised)
- Anthony Gerard “Bud” Peetz Scholarship (new)*
- Hildegard Anna Hayward Scholarships (new)*
- Elsa Eleonora Fagerberg & Clara Maria Fagerberg Entrance Scholarships (revised)*
- University of Victoria International Scholarship (revised)*
- John Locke Malkin Entrance Scholarship (revised)*
- T.S. McPherson Entrance Scholarship (revised)*
- National Entrance Scholarships (revised)*
- David Strong Entrance Scholarship (revised)*
- UVic Excellence Scholarship (revised)*
- Madame Berangere Steel Memorial Scholarship (revised)*
- Oak Bay and Saanich Centennial Scholarships (revised)*
- Margaret Sanson Memorial Scholarship (revised)*
- Dobbie Family Athletic Award (new)
- Nutritionlink Services Society Bursary (new)
- Ramona Williams Memorial Scholarship in Child and Youth Care (new)
- Ramona Williams Memorial Scholarship in Social Work (new)
- Art and Music Education Bursary (new)
- Robert and Ellen Pearce Scholarship (revised)
Pro Forma Motion (L. LeBlanc/T. Gage):
THAT the above items be approved by the Board of Governors by consent.

CARRIED

REGULAR

7. Operations and Facilities Committee (M. Kennedy)

a. 2012/13 Enrolment Analysis BOG-Nov27/12-04

Dr. Tremblay briefly reviewed the report. She said that the university continues to exceed the overall minimum target for graduate and international enrollment set by the Ministry of Advanced Education. She said that although the undergraduate target had not been met the university was seeing an increasing number of applications and admissions in the lower levels. Dr. Tremblay said she would be working with Deans and Student Affairs to improve undergraduate enrollment.

b. Report on Undergraduate Student Financial Aid 2011-12 BOG-Nov27/12-23

Dr. Tremblay reported increases in undergraduate financial assistance over the past five years.

c. Scholarly Integrity Policy BOG-Nov27/12-07

Dr. Driessen commented that the policy meets Tri-council requirements imposed on the university. He did not think there was any controversy because of consultations with the Faculty Association.

MOTION (P. Driessen/T. Gage):
THAT the Board of Governors approve the Policy on Scholarly Integrity (Researchers not subject to the Framework Agreement), AC1105 (A) (attached to BOG-Nov27/12-07) effective December, 2012; the Policy on Scholarly Integrity (Pursuant to the Framework Agreement), AC1105 (B) (attached to BOG-Nov27/12-07) effective December, 2012; and the rescission of Policy on Scholarly Integrity (Pursuant to the Framework Agreement), AC1105 (B) once it is incorporated into the Framework Agreement.

CARRIED

8. President’s Report

a. Presentation on Quality Assurance – Dr. Reeta Tremblay, Vice-President Academic and Provost and Dr. Catherine Mateer, Associate Vice-President Academic Planning

Dr. Tremblay provided a brief overview of the presentation. Dr. Mateer provided information on the Ministry of Advanced Education quality assurance initiative and the steps undertaken in the process to date. She reported on current quality assurance mechanisms in British Columbia and provided an overview of the framework proposed by government. Dr. Mateer said UVic currently has a robust program of quality assurance
including regular reviews but that UVic has undertaken a more specific quality assurance exercise.

In response to a question, Dr. Mateer said this is an important process requiring thorough consultation.

In response to a question from Mr. Gage, Dr. Tremblay provided information about nationally and internationally accredited programs at UVic. Dr. Tremblay said that all of UVic’s programs are national.

Ms. Van Ruyven left the meeting.

b. Presentation on University Rankings – Mr. Tony Eder, Director of Institutional Planning and Analysis

Mr. Eder provided an overview of UVic’s placement in recent university rankings.

Mr. Gage commented on the challenges with student housing. Dr. Turpin spoke briefly about opportunities to increase on campus residences.

c. President’s Report

Federal Update:

• Dr. Turpin reported on his November 1 meeting in Ottawa with Senate Committee on Aboriginal Affairs
• Dr. Turpin said that, on October 23, AUCC organized a visit by several presidents of Canadian universities to Parliament Hill to meet with MPs and senior public servants about the role universities play in building prosperity in Canada. The day’s activities focused on university and private sector partnerships and how they drive innovation, foster global linkages and contribute to a stronger Canada.

Provincial Update:

o Dr. Turpin provided an update on the “Opportunity Agenda for BC” developed through RUCBC.

o On November 2, the Honourable Judith Guichon became British Columbia’s 29th Lieutenant-Governor, succeeding Steven L. Point.

o A second Deputy Minister has been named to the Ministry (joining Cheryl Wenezenki-Yolland). Cairine MacDonald will be DM of Innovation and Technology.

UVic Update:

o Dr. Turpin reported on the November 19th release of the Economic Impact study and media event.

50th Anniversary events

o UVic’s first-ever Alumni Homecoming took place September 28 and 29, coinciding with the 50th Anniversary Festival and launch of Ian MacPherson’s 50th Anniversary history book

o Special Exhibition and viewing for municipal representatives from Saanich, Oak Bay and Victoria of “The University of Victoria: A Community of Communities- Images from Reaching Outward and Upward: The University of Victoria 1963-2013”. Included special
lecture by Adjunct Professor Martin Segger.

- UVic’s 50th Anniversary event “A Celebration of 50 Years of Excellence” was held on 16 October. Alumni paralypian Stephanie Dixon, Tl'azt'en Grand Chief Edward John, nature photographer Paul Nicklen, 100-Mile Diet author Alisa Smith and Vancity CEO Tamara Vrooman were recognized as representing the UVic’s diverse range of academic and social strengths. We also had the opportunity at the celebration to welcome the President of East China Normal University, Dr. Qun [CHUN] Chen, and to celebrate our 30-year partnership with ECNU.

- One of our honoured alumni, Paul Nicklen, was recently named the Veolia Environment Wildlife Photographer of the Year for his photograph "Bubble-jetting emperors."

- Fall Convocation and Honorary Degree recipients
  - The Honourable Steven Point and Mrs. Gwendolyn Point, journalist/historian Dave Obee, and scientist Naomi Halas received honorary doctorates. In all, 1257 graduates received degrees, diplomas or certificates.
  - During the 14 November honouring ceremony at the First Peoples House, pleased to announce that Steven and Gwendolyn Point have agreed to serve as Patrons of First Peoples House.

- Three distinguished authors and thinkers will deliver President’s Distinguished Lectures and receive honorary doctorates during the 50th Anniversary:
  - George Dyson on December 4, 2012
  - Anne Michaels on February 18, 2013
  - Dr. Vandana Shiva on March 27, 2013

- The Marnie Swanson International Commons was officially opened in the McPherson Library on 19 November.

- Five members of the university were recently selected by the Business Council of BC to participate in the Next Leaders Council: Associate University Secretary Carrie Andersen, Associate Vice-President Student Affairs Jim Dunsdon, Assistant Treasurer Andrew Coward, Sociology Chair Sean Hier and Greek and Roman Studies Chair Cedric Littlewood.

- UVic participated in the The Great BC ShakeOut earthquake drill on October 18.

- Detailed information on past and present British Columbia weather is now available through a new data portal launched in October by the Pacific Climate Impacts Consortium (PCIC).

- The UVic community was saddened by the death of alumnus long-time employee Nels Granewall in October. Nels was a member of UVic's first graduating class and served as volunteer convocation marshall at 200 convocations.

Awards and honours

- UVic alumna, Tara Paterson, has been awarded a Rhodes Scholarship.
- Jamie Cassels has been named a recipient of the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee medal.
- The Canada Research Chairs Secretariat recognized the University of Victoria as having exemplary practices in recruiting, nominating and/or appointing Canada Research Chairs and meeting their equity targets for the representation of the four designated groups among chair holders for year 2012.
- Earlier this year, UVic was recognized as one of Canada’s top diversity employers.
• Chair of History Lynne Marks was awarded the Marion Dewar Prize in Canadian Women's History for her outstanding research, teaching and leadership.
• The Gustavson School of Business has been selected to receive the Canadian Bureau for International Excellence (CBIE) Outstanding Program Award for its Master of Global Business program.
• Catherine Mateer, Associate Vice-President Academic Planning, is the recipient of the Mitchell Rosenthal Award given in recognition of an exceptional body of work in rehabilitation medicine. The honour was awarded by the American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine and the Rehabilitation Psychology Division of the American Psychological Association.
• UVic alumnus Derek Porter was inducted into the Canadian Sports Hall of Fame on 19 October.
• The Vikes women's rowing team earned its third consecutive Canadian University Rowing Championship title on November 4.
• This month, 58 student-athletes from across campus were named to the 2012 Freedom 55 Financial Vikes Honour Roll. These students achieved 80 per cent or higher in the classroom for 2011-12.
• Nick Clewley, UVic's Interim Director of Marketing, was named the winner among the four finalists in the Times Colonist's third annual "So You Think You Can Write" contest.
• Department of Writing sessional instructor Madeline Sonik is the winner of the City of Victoria Butler Book Prize for her acclaimed memoir, *Afflictions & Departures*.

9. **Other Business**

There was none.

10. **Adjournment**

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Original signed by Susan Mehinagic, Board Chair
and Carrie Andersen, Acting Secretary