

# CAMPUS PLANNING COMMITTEE

**Minutes of Meeting: December 07, 2010: 2:00 – 4:00 pm, ASB 120**

Membership			
	Voting:		Ex-Officio:
√	Jamie Cassels, Co-chair	√	David Perry (ex-officio)
√	Gayle Gorrill, Co-chair	√	Tom Smith (ex-officio)
√	Howard Brunt	√	Tony Eder (ex-officio)
R	Valerie Kuehne	√	Melanie Groves (ex-officio)
√	Katy Mateer	√	Grant Hughes (ex-officio)
√	John Archibald	√	Kristi Simpson (ex-officio)
√	Thomas Tiedje		
√	Andrew Rowe		
√	Trisalyn Nelson	√	Neil Connelly
√	Karena Shaw	√	Rhonda Ljunggren (Secretary)
R	Dylan Sherlock		<b>Guests</b>
√	Wanda Martin	√	Michael M'Gonigle
√	Jonathan Foweraker		
√	Paul Ward		√ = In Attendance
√	Peter Tanner		R = Regrets Noted

## MINUTES

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### 1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was accepted as circulated.

### 2. Approval of the Minutes of May 28, 2010 and November 18, 2010

The minutes of May 28, 2010 were approved as circulated.

The minutes of November 18, 2010 were approved as circulated.

Ms. Gorrill referenced discussion in the May 28, 2010 minutes regarding the relocation of the community garden, with follow-up scheduled for the fall. Mr. Connelly advised the committee that a number of meetings have taken place, and that he will provide an update to the committee with a full report in the new year.

### 3. Remarks from the Chair

Ms. Gorrill called for round table introductions and reviewed the conditions under which visitors can attend meetings of the CPC. She thanked the membership for attending the shortened meeting of November 18<sup>th</sup> at which time the schematic design for the athletics facility parking structure was approved. The schematic design was then presented at the November Board of Governors meeting and approved.

#### **4. Business Arising from the Minutes**

There was no further business arising from the minutes, other than the above-noted comments regarding the community gardens.

#### **5. Correspondence**

There was no correspondence to report, other than input regarding the Cedar Hill Management Plan, which was to be discussed later on the meeting agenda.

#### **6. Regular Business**

##### **1. Committee Membership and Terms of Reference**

Mr. Connelly advised the membership regarding proposed changes to the Terms of Reference for the CPC in committee membership, which would reduce the number of committee members from 16 to 15.

The Senate Committee on Planning (SCP) has requested that a faculty member not be selected from their committee to sit on the CPC. Ms. Mateer advised that the SCP felt that there was sufficient faculty representation on the CPC to represent faculty interests, and that she herself sits on both committees as a representative.

There being no further discussion, the following motion was proposed:

***MOTION (Mateer/Brunt)***

***THAT the Campus Planning Committee recommend to the President that the membership section of the Terms of Reference for the Campus Planning Committee be adjusted to delete the faculty member selected from the Senate Committee on Planning.***

**CARRIED**

##### **2. Cedar Hill Corner Management Plan**

Mr. Connelly updated the committee regarding the Cedar Hill Management Plan and input received from interested parties as a result of notices posted on campus, on the Office's website and at the Cedar Hill Corner parcel. He referenced internal emails received from FMGT, Forest Biology, and Environmental Studies as well as several emails received from the public, mostly in support of off-leash dog-walking on the property.

Mr. Connelly noted that some minor adjustments have been made to the plan, which designates the Cedar Hill property as an area for future university development. The plan includes criteria for temporary/interim uses of the property, with particular attention to the interface between the field and forested area of Hobbs Creek and Mystic Vale, where added signage and information will seek to protect the area from further erosion and damage caused by off-leash activities.

Ms. Gorrill asked the committee to consider the plan for approval and opened the floor to questions and comments. As the property is slated for future development, it is the interim usage that is under discussion, particularly developing parameters around approval of temporary usage. Mr. Tanner asked if the "dogs on leash" proviso is university policy or municipal bylaw. Mr. Connelly responded that it is university policy that dogs are required to be on leash on campus. In practice, dogs can be off leash on the field as long as they are under control. He also clarified that temporary use proposals will be evaluated/approved on a case-

by-case basis. Dr. Tiedje asked for information around long term uses of the property; Mr. Connelly responded that housing, academic expansion, research and recreation are among the long-term uses that will be referenced as potential uses in the Campus Plan.

Mr. Hughes asked if the email communications regarding off leash activities had been responded to individually and Mr. Connelly responded in the affirmative.

Meeting guest Michael M'Gonigle asked about the recommendation for strategy regarding long-term agricultural use of the property in advance of the master plan process. Mr. Connelly responded by referencing the Food Forum which took place earlier in the fall and ongoing campus activities around food which will continue to be brought forward as part of the Campus Plan review.

Mr. Smith suggested engaging Oak Bay residents regarding the need for a dog park. Professor Cassels reminded the committee of the need for academic priorities to be at the basis of any long-term usage such as urban agriculture. The site is UVic's last piece of contiguous large property and as UVic is a "destination university" (only 25% of students come from the Victoria area) residences are also a high priority for future planning.

Mr. Connelly will provide regular updates to the committee on the Plan's implementation and any property management issues.

There being no further discussion, the following motion was proposed:

***MOTION (Tanner/Archibald)***

***THAT the Campus Planning Committee recommend to the President that the Cedar Hill Corner Management Plan be approved.***

***CARRIED***

### **3. Queenswood Rezoning Update**

Mr. Connelly updated the committee regarding the Queenswood rezoning process, reviewing the timeline and updating the committee on the community consultation process underway. UVic will have access to the retreat centre in January 2011 and access to the care centre building in January of 2013. As part of the rezoning process UVic has retained the firm of Michele Clogheshy Consulting to assist in community engagement and liaison with the District of Saanich.

Mr. Connelly reviewed the rezoning process for the committee including:

- Inventory and site analysis
- Draft zone (provides for uses)
- District of Saanich rezoning application (takes up to 6 months to process)
- Bylaw readings
- Advisory committee
- Website ([www.uvic.ca/queenswood](http://www.uvic.ca/queenswood); [www.queenswoodrezoning.ca](http://www.queenswoodrezoning.ca))
- Public meetings – Nov. 30/10 open house – over 100 people attended
- January 2011 meeting on draft zone – more specifics regarding uses/considerations
- Public Hearing
- Bylaw adoption

Mr. Connelly commented on the site's current zoning as well as that of the adjacent areas, and noted that he is working closely with the District of Saanich on the rezoning. He advised the committee that the zone will look to provide a range of uses for the university.

Ms. Simpson noted that two very separate processes are involved: 1) zoning, and 2) planning for the potential use of the existing buildings. Ms. Gorrill commented on the need to be respectful of the site's neighbours regarding usage, and that low-impact temporary uses will be looked at starting in January 2011.

Mr. Connelly noted several issues including infrastructure, traffic, and the potential need to update vehicular access. Ms. Gorrill concluded the discussion by thanking Mr. Connelly for his work and noting the great opportunity this property provides for future university use.

#### **4. 2010-11 5 Year Capital Plan**

Ms. Simpson updated the committee for information purposes on the 5 Year Capital Plan and highlighted key components of the plan including:

- FMGT completed projects
- Queenswood
- CARSA and parkade structure
- KIP and seismic upgrading of the campus's six oldest buildings
- Student Housing – continuing pressure on the institution; aging infrastructure (recruitment issue)
- Research/Innovation Building (hub for research centers)
- Storage pressures
- BEC expansion
- Shortage of teaching space
- Planning Studies: FMGT energy management plan, longer term plan for campus renewal
- Usage of ISC facility after CARSA building is approved

Discussion by the committee included the issue of government funding to assist with capital projects as well as the need to be prepared in order to move ahead when the opportunity arises such as was the case with the KIP project. There will be no 100% government funded buildings in the future; Medical Sciences was the last.

#### **5. Capital Projects Update**

Mr. Perry updated the committee on capital projects:

- **KIP project** is winding down. The March 31<sup>st</sup> deadline has been extended for another 7 months; however the project is still on target and on budget for the March 31<sup>st</sup> deadline. Of the 6 buildings Clearihue is substantially complete, with Cunningham set to follow in January.
- **106 Bed Residence** is essentially finished despite being set back by a flooding incident, and is still set to open on schedule on December 13<sup>th</sup>. This project finished under budget.
- **CSEC building** work is underway involving two small additions and is scheduled to be completed in March 2011.

- **New playing field** is complete at the north west end of campus, as of December 1<sup>st</sup>.
- **Athletics facility** has 50% of design complete. The parkade structure has been reviewed and approved by this committee, the District of Saanich and the Board of Governors. Underground services will be affected and Saanich's roadway widening project will tie into the parkade project.
- **Campus Services Building** expansion is moving forward and is scheduled for construction in the summer.
- **University Centre** – the Maltwood Gallery is moving to Mearns and re-planning of the main floor is underway. Both the Welcome Centre and Food Services will be expanded. A committee has been formed and work is in the initial planning stages. Artwork from the gallery will be transferred to the Legacy Gallery downtown.

Discussion followed regarding further details around University Centre space and proposed usage, pedestrian/traffic/cyclist safety issues, Saanich road widening, cycling master plan and the addition of BC transit stops near SUB.

Mr. Smith noted that the First Peoples House was the recent recipient of a number of awards, including the international Western Red Cedar Design Award, and the Victoria Real Estate Board's Commercial Institution Award as well as the overall Judges' Choice award in the commercial category.

## **6. Sustainability Advisory Committee Update (verbal report)**

Mr. Connelly provided the committee with an update regarding the Sustainability Advisory Committee's activities, now in its second year of operation. The committee is comprised of faculty, students and staff with its focus being the implementation of the Sustainability Action Plan. For the 2010-2011 year meetings have been scheduled for September, November, January and March.

The focus of the committee includes:

- Monitoring progress with sustainability indicators and reporting on the Sustainability Action Plan;
- Measuring GHG emissions and creating the Carbon Neutral Action Report for 2010;
- Integrated campus energy strategy; and
- Discussions with Purchasing regarding sustainability and local purchasing.

## **7. Other Business**

- **Community Liaison (verbal report)**

Mr. Hughes reported on liaison with the eight community associations near UVic. Community association meetings are attended by Mr. Hughes, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Smith and Mr. Connelly. Mr. Hughes conveyed thanks to Finance & Operations, FMGT and Mr. Smith for the Feral Rabbit Management Plan which has been well received by the community associations.

## **8. Adjournment**

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.

## **9. Next Meeting: February 24, 2011: 2:00 – 4:00 pm, ASB Boardroom 120**