

Community Associations Liaison Committee
Minutes
Thursday, September 16, 2021
3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Location: Zoom

University of Victoria:

Mike Wilson, Director, Campus Planning and Sustainability
Juliet Van Vliet, Campus Planner, Campus Planning and Sustainability
Julie Potter, Associate Director, Community and Government Relations (co- chair)
Denise Helm, Acting Executive Director, Communications and Marketing
Karen Johnston - Associate Director - Public Affairs

Meralin Young, Camosun Community Association (co-chair)
Gayla Baranieski, Mt. Tolmie Community Association
Chris Bartlett, Quadra Cedar Hill Community Association
Jonathan Eades, Cadboro Bay Residents' Association
Eric Dahli, Saanich Community Association Network
Barry Andruschak, Cadboro Bay Residents' Association

Guests:

Jo-Anne Clarke, Dean, Division of Continuing Studies, UVic

Regrets:

Ron Proulx, Executive Director, Facilities Management
Jennifer Vornbrock, Community and Government Relations
Joan Wenman, Gordon Head Residents' Association
Rick Marshall, Community Association of Oak Bay

1. **Welcome (Julie Potter)**
2. **Review and Approval of Agenda (APPROVED)**
3. **Approval of Minutes (June 17, 2021) (APPROVED)**
4. **Update on What's Happening at the Division of Continuing Studies: Jo-Anne Clarke**
 - 250+ courses are offered through continuing studies.
 - Courses are supported by professional and international learners.
 - 2021 saw a shift to online courses. Fall 2020 – 15 in-person courses to fall 2021 – 50 (virtual) participants per course.
 - New courses were created such as gardening and horticultural.
 - Each term, the Division of Continuing Studies offers bursaries totalling \$1,000 to assist learners in furthering their education. Bursaries will be awarded to learners who can display evidence of a commitment to lifelong learning and who can demonstrate financial need. [More information can be](#)

found here.

- A new summer arts series will be offered in 2022 along with classes on the Green Economy, Indigenous Language Revitalization and more.

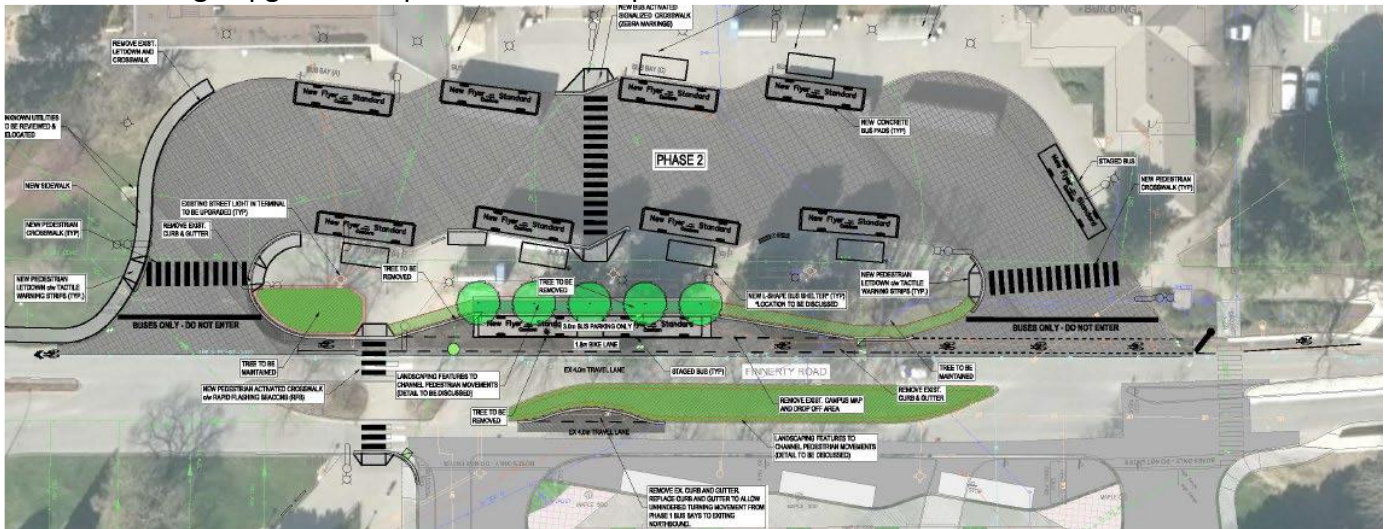
5. UVic Campus Planning and Sustainability (Update and Presentation): Juliet and Mike

UVSS CAMPUS DENTAL

- The Dental office in the Student Union Building is getting a ‘refresh’, which will include a new room and will effect an exterior wall of the SUB. The dental clinic remains open to members of the community.

UVIC TRANSIT EXCHANGE

- In 2014, the UVic transit exchange underwent an expansion in front of the Student Union building. This new transit project will consist of upgrading the existing transit exchange infrastructure in front of the bookstore as well as adding two new bus laybys and increased safety measures. The UVic transit exchange upgrade is expected to be completed in 2022.



ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE EXPANSION AND NEW LAB BUILDING

- The university is planning an expansion of the Engineering Computer Science Building and a new High Bay Research and Structures Lab. The first building, the Engineering Computer Science Expansion will be connected to the south of the existing Engineering and Computer Science building and will provide additional laboratories, design studios, offices and research space. The second building, the High Bay Research and Structures lab will include a clear high bay structures testing area along with other teaching and research lab space. These two buildings are aimed to be completed in 2023. Click [here](#) for more information.



NATIONAL CENTRE FOR INDIGENOUS LAWS (Fraser Building Expansion and Renovation).

- By expanding the [Fraser Building](#), the university will enhance the experience and success of JD and JD/JID students, and will serve as a national centre for dialogue, research, and knowledge transfer. The project is expected to be completed in 2023. More information about the project is available [here](#).



View from the Ring Road

CEDAR HILL CORNER

- Cross Country meets are scheduled for 25 Sept, Oct and Nov 2021. The community is invited to attend and cheer on the athletes. More information available [here](#).



PROJECTS IN CONSTRUCTION:

- Student Housing and Dinning: 1st crane scheduled to be removed the weekend of Sept 18th. The application of the exterior is to follow. Building 2 (level 2) is residential. 162 beds removed – building 1 will offer 400 + beds to be available in the fall of 2022.
- West Campus Greenway:
 - 4-5 weeks of contractors on site. Concrete and paving are scheduled and will be happening soon.
 - Once completed, the Campus Greenway will create vibrant hubs connecting buildings and public spaces on campus and will act as the primary multi-modal pathway between Gordon Head Road and Sinclair Road.
 - The 1.1 km long Greenway will act as both an active transportation connection and a destination unto itself. The Greenway will increase the vibrancy of campus life by enhancing the natural and built environment to create more opportunities for interaction and collaboration.
- Child Care at Queenswood:
 - In December, 2021 half the deconstruction taking place on the site will be complete. The full demolition of the remaining building will take place in February 2022.
 - A restoration group will be focusing on removing invasive species in specific areas such as Cunningham Woods, Mystic Vale and Queenswood in the fall of 2022.

6. Plans for Return to Campus: Denise Helm

- Return to Campus Website available [here](#).
- Campus Community: health and safety updates with vaccine passports, following BC Health Plan and PHO for getting back to work.
- Websites and social media with new plans are updated regularly.
- Province wide – vaccine card mandate, led to self-declaration for staff, faculty and students. If choosing to not disclose, daily testing is available at the vaccine clinics on campus.
- Results of self-declaration are showing that over 90% are fully vaccinated.
- Visitors to campus must show vaccine passport (Farquhar, CARSA, sporting events, etc.)
- Orange Banners on Campus: Truth & Reconciliation initiated for the Kamloops memorial. Art work is by

Carey Newman.

- Welcome to Campus offered a special connection and President Hall delivered messaging and Ingenious Elders presented a welcome ceremony.

Other Events:

- Orange Shirt Day Events (Sept 27-29, 2021): <https://www.uvic.ca/event/orange-shirt-day/>
- President's Installment (Sept 28, 2021): <https://www.uvic.ca/welcomeceremony>
- 5 Days of Action (Nov 15-19, 2021): <https://www.uvic.ca/equity/education/5-days-action/index.php>

7. Roundtable Reports

Eric Dahli (SCAN):

- Saanich Community Association Meetings will resume Oct 2021, after taking the summer off.
- Don Gunn and Mayor Haynes have an upcoming meeting with Saanich MLA's, first time this will happen.

Meralin Young (Camosun Community Association):

- EVO Car Share Project: Mike confirmed that there are 10 designated EVO parking stalls on campus.
- Kings Park/Hydro Field: 2 years ago, Saanich offered the community to purchase the property at half the price of \$1.75million. To date approx. \$325K has been raised.
- Association newsletter is being produced and posted on Facebook and Twitter, every 2 months.
- *Would still like to have a UVic student join the board – **ACTION Jennifer/Julie to follow up.**
- AGM is scheduled for Nov 2021. The guest speaker will address Bowker Creek and the reintroduction of salmon.
- Lansdowne Field has been sold and the plans for redevelopment for the French School are underway.

Barry Andruschak (Cadboro Community Association):

- Sinclair Hill upgrade and development underway. Intersection still tricky and unsafe.
- Pop-up dog park feedback was good/positive.
- Food truck experience at local parks was also good/positive.
- Liaison efforts and collaborations, working well. Streamlining communications, thank you to Mike and Julie for updates.
- Interested in guest speakers at CALC, such as someone to speak to the aerospace program.

Chris Bartlett (Quadra Community Association):

- Board meeting Sept 16, 2021, next AGM planned for Nov 23, 2021.
- Currently recruiting for new board members.
- Speakers programs to continue with 8 speakers aligned.
- Variety of events took place this summer such as music in the park, food trucks, etc. all were a success.
- Donation for the Kings Park/Hydro Field was voted on and was passed – to connect with Meralin.

Gayla Baranieski (Mt. Tolmie Community Association):

- Numerous Mayor's meetings related to Mt. Tolmie Housing that have included participants from Saanich Fire and Police, and BC Housing, as well as community members.
- Murray Langdon from BC Housing chaired the lastest meeting which voiced growing concerns from seniors struggling in the area and increase of criminal activities.
- Shelbourne Community Kitchen moving into the renovated Lutheran church on Cedar Hill Cross Rd. Pantry program will be offered from this location.
- "Yoga in the Park" is entering its 4th year. 6 sessions planned.

Proposed 2022 dates and times (3-4:30 p.m.): **(APPROVED)**

March 17, 2022

June 16, 2022

September 15, 2022

December 8, 2022

Final Meeting of 2021: Dec 9th, 2021