PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Planning Committee's key purpose is to assist the UVRA Board of Directors in planning and developing an effective strategy for discussions with the University of Victoria.

The committee established a Terms of Reference for its activities that were approved by the UVRA Board of Directors. The committee developed a list of important considerations for inclusion in discussions with the University of Victoria particularly in reference to an updated MOU between UVic and UVRA.

Planning committee members Rebecca Warburton and Margaret Klatt met with several of the UVic Executive during the year. Thio included discussions with UVic President Kevin Hall, and VP Academic and Provost Elizabeth Croft, VP External Relations Chris Horbachewski and Associate VP Kane Kilbey. During these meetings, the important contributions of UVic retirees have been highlighted. Each of these meetings confirmed the commitment of UVRA and UVic to strengthening their relationship by expanding and updating the MOU.

One change has been the transfer of the liaison between UVRA and UVic to the VP External Relations Chris Horbachewski from Alumni Relations.

Meetings to negotiate and develop specific changes to the MOU will continue with UVic. These have been delayed due to the financial challenges being faced by UVic and by the sudden passing of Rebecca Warburton.

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