

# UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

## CAMPUS PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

**Minutes of Meeting: June 6, 2016 (3:00 pm – 4:30 pm)  
Administrative Services Building Boardroom 120**

Membership			
	Voting:		Ex-Officio:
R	Valerie Kuehne, Co-Chair	√	Ron Proulx
√	Gayle Gorrill, Co-Chair	√	Tony Eder
R	David Castle	R	Bruce Kilpatrick
√	Carmen Charette	√	Jennifer Vornbrock
R	Katy Mateer	√	Kristi Simpson
R	Catherine Krull		
√	Thomas Tiedje		<b>Other:</b>
√	Andrew Rowe	√	Joanne McGachie
√	Karena Shaw	√	David Perry
√	Amanda McLaughlin (GSS)	√	Neil Connelly
√	Sheryl Karras	√	Carmen Mailloux
√	Paul Ward		
R	Pete Rose		
√	Ben Lukenchuk (UVSS)		
√ = In Attendance R = Regrets Noted			

### 1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Gorrill welcomed everyone to the meeting. The agenda was approved as circulated.

### 2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF April 18, 2016

The minutes were approved as circulated.

### 3. REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR

Ms. Gorrill provided an update on the federal Strategic Investment Fund (SIF) for Post-Secondary Institutions. UVic’s application was recently submitted.

SIF is a time-limited program that will provide up to \$2 billion to accelerate strategic construction, repair, and maintenance activities at universities and colleges across Canada. Total funding from federal sources would cover up to 50% of the approved project's eligible costs, with the remainder funded jointly by the BC Provincial Government and the University. For projects to be eligible, they cannot start before May 9th 2016 and must be substantially complete by April 30th 2018, a timeframe that greatly restricts the nature of the projects, which can be undertaken.

UVic's application included the new District Energy Centre Plant and energy distribution system upgrade project, improvements to our older science facilities (laboratories, infrastructure, etc...), the outfitting of the Queenswood care facility building for Oceans Network Canada, and other improvement projects at the McPherson Library, Cornett building, Clearihue building, and the Vancouver Island Technology Park. There was also a joint application from the four universities that operate the Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre.

A decision on the funding applications is expected in June or July, although no specific dates have been indicated. The District Energy Centre Plant will proceed in a modified form, regardless of whether it is approved for funding under the SIF program.

Ms. Charette noted that the need and the applications from across Canada will greatly exceed the available funding.

#### **4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

No business arising.

#### **5. CORRESPONDENCE**

No correspondence.

#### **6. REGULAR BUSINESS**

##### **1. FMGT Service Building**

Mr. Connelly summarized the agenda report and provided a presentation that highlighted the key elements of the Program of Requirements and Schematic Design for the new Facilities Management (FMGT) Service Building. The new one storey building, approximately 527m<sup>2</sup> in size will house a vehicle repair shop, a fabrication and welding facility as well as grounds maintenance support space. Its design will complement the existing look of the other buildings in the Saunders complex and will allow for the potential addition of another structure to its west side in the future.

An open house meeting on the project will be scheduled for the fall to provide information to the campus and external community and to answer any questions that may arise. Municipal development approvals will also be finalized in conjunction with the work that is to be undertaken on the detailed design for the building. Construction is anticipated to commence in late October or November.

Dr. Tiedje inquired about the single-level building that's been proposed, and whether a multi-storey building was considered. Mr. Proulx responded that there were safety benefits to a ground-access building, and Ms. Simpson added that the building is adjacent to residential communities, and low-rise is preferred in these sections.

The following motion was brought forward:

(Rowe/Ward)

*That the Campus Planning Committee recommend to the President that the Program of Requirements and the Schematic Design for the Facilities Management Department new Service Building, be approved.*

CARRIED.  
No opposition.

## **2. District Energy Centre**

Mr. Connelly provided a presentation that summarized the Program of Requirements and Schematic Design for the new District Energy Centre to supplement the agenda report on the project. Three major natural gas boilers and related process spaces comprise the main elements of the approximately 518 m<sup>2</sup> building. The extensive use of glass that puts the machinery on display towards the more public north and east elevations is a key design element. The landscaping plans for the project and municipal development approvals from Oak Bay, as well as the need for a public engagement process for interested campus stakeholders and the public in the fall was also referenced.

The wood and glass building in the design schematic was acknowledged by Committee members for its pleasing aesthetics, particularly given its setting in proximity to Finnerty Gardens and other natural forested areas of the campus.

The following motion was brought forward:

(Shaw/Karras)

*That the Campus Planning Committee recommend to the President that the Program of Requirements and the Schematic Design for the District Energy Centre building, be approved.*

CARRIED.  
No opposition.

## **3. Campus Community Garden Agreement**

The Committee received the report on the renewal of the agreement with the Campus Community Garden Club for the garden for the period 2017 to 2021, for information.

## **4. 2015 Carbon Neutral Action Report**

The Carbon Neutral Action Report for 2015 was received for information. It summarizes the university's greenhouse gas emissions profile, the amount of offsets purchased (10,703 tCO<sub>2</sub>e) to reach net zero emissions, the actions taken to reduce emissions and the plans to be undertaken to continue reducing emissions in 2016.

## **5. Capital Projects Update**

David Perry referenced the work that has been undertaken by Facilities Management to support the preparation of the submission of projects to the Strategic Investment Fund, within limited timelines. Work on the request of proposals for architectural and engineering consulting services for the new student residence facility is also in progress in conjunction with the client, Student Services along with Purchasing and Campus Planning.

## **7. OTHER BUSINESS**

### Community Liaison Report

Ms. Vornbrock noted that she has settled into her new position and provided several updates on the work of her Office.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:30pm.

**9. NEXT MEETING:** September, date TBD.