

# Board and Board Committee Meetings Monday November 22 and Tuesday November 23, 2021

Open Session
Tuesday November 23, 2021
Senate and Board Chambers, Jamie Cassels Centre

### **SUMMARY**

K. Hall stated that the university is in a strong position and in good financial shape. Maclean's 2022 University ranking ranks UVic as Canada's #1 comprehensive university.

K. Hall has begun the process of planning a new strategic vision for the university with initial consultation taking place in the university community.

K. Hall stated that Chancellor Rogers' term will end December 31, 2021. He thanked her for leaving the university in a much better position then when she joined the community seven years ago. He noted that Chancellor Rogers is one of Canada's true thought leaders. Marion Buller will begin her term as Chancellor on January 1, 2022.

In-person convocation ceremonies were held November 10, 12 and 13, 2021. Six ceremonies took place with three honorary degrees being awarded.

K. Hall said that the 2021/22 enrolments are strong. The strategic enrolment plan is being executed well. He provided a brief update on COVID-19 and safety measures on campus.

A small group of UVic scholars were able to attend the 26th UN Climate Change Conference in Glasgow, Scotland.

K. Hall spoke of the announcement on November 17 by the University of Victoria Foundation that as of September 30, the foundation no longer has holdings of companies in its equity portfolio involved in the processing of coal, oil or natural gas. A new responsible investment policy that sets a target to reduce the carbon intensity of all investments by 45 per cent by 2030 has been adopted.

K. Hall noted recipients of the City of Victoria 2021 H0-1 (n)6 (t1ts)6 (a)14 (t sBDC m3re)-1 (s)2 (d

g. 2020/21 Annual Report on the Status of External Reviews

BOG-Nov23/21-14

h. Status Report on Capital Projects

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i. Due Diligence Report - Facilities Management

BOG-Nov23/21-06

**Pro Forma Motion**(C. Thoms/M. Prendergast)

THAT the above items be approved by the Board of Governors by consent.

**CARRIED** 

### **REGULAR** 9. Operations and Facilities Committee (Paul Ramsey)

#### a. 2021/22 Enrolment Analysis Report

BOG-Nov22/21-17

P. Ramsey noted that Valerie Kuehne, Vice-President Academic and Provost provided the committee with this regular annual report outlining UVic's enrolment projections for the current academic year, which includes summer 2021, fall 2021 and spring 2022 terms.

He stated that enrolment targets and goals continue to be driven by the university's institutional plans, including the Strategic Framework and Strategic Enrolment Management Plan, as well as by the Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training.

Current enrolment levels have increased. This fall, the university saw a record number of domestic applicants and registrants, and this is the largest first-year class to date. International undergraduate enrolment has decreased as a result of the pandemic.

#### b. Report on Student Financial Aid 2020-21

BOG-Nov22/21-11

- P. Ramsey stated this is another annual report presented to the Board on the status of student awards and financial aid program. It includes scholarships for undergraduate students as well as bursaries, awards and work study funding received by both undergraduate and graduate students.
- P. Ramsey reviewed the highlights of the report. He also commented on awards administered during the ongoing COVIDTm()TjEMC /-0.009 Tw (s)4 (o)f d4 (d. 295.56 TQq13201

This report highlights the work and direction of the EQHR office's effort in partnerships and planning, equity action and initiatives, proactive education and training, case resolution and policy implementation.

## 10. Presentation on University Rankings