



VANCOUVER ISLAND  
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**Vancouver Island University  
Board of Governors**

**Synopsis of Meeting Held September 22, 2011  
at the Cowichan Campus**

(full details of the agenda can be found at [https://isweb.viu.ca/comm\\_public](https://isweb.viu.ca/comm_public). (click on “+” symbol)

At its meeting held on September 22, 2011 the Board of Governors:

**Visited/Hosted the Opening of the New Cowichan Campus / 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

The Board hosted the opening of the new Cowichan Campus and the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration at the Cowichan Campus in Duncan. The over 3, 500 square metres facility features state-of-the-art health and science labs, computer labs and several multipurpose classrooms, a 110-seat lecture theatre, cafeteria and kitchen, library commons and many areas for students to gather and study.

The campus is located in the Cowichan Place development which also includes facilities operated by the City of Duncan, the District of North Cowichan, and the Cowichan Valley School District. The site is a focal point for education, recreation and culture in the Cowichan Valley. VIU received \$25.4 million for this project through the Knowledge Infrastructure Program. This includes \$13.5 million from the provincial government and \$11.9 million from the federal government. Approximately 600 people were in attendance at the event, including representatives from all levels of government, and other funding agencies. Click here for more information on the facility [http://www.viu.ca/facilities/Campus\\_Development/Cowichanplace.asp](http://www.viu.ca/facilities/Campus_Development/Cowichanplace.asp).

**Received Presentations From**

- Steven Beasley, Executive Director, VIU Students’ Union
- Maria Lauridsen, Regional Campus Principal, and testimonials from a number of VIU students on their educational experiences at the Cowichan Campus.

**Approved: Procedures**

The Board gave second reading and approved new procedures and revisions to an existing procedure as follows:

- i. [New Procedure 11.26.003 re Nominations by the Alumni Association for Appointed Members of the VIU Board of Governors.](#)
- ii. [New Procedure re 11.26.004 Selection, Appointment and Reappointment of a Board Member.](#)
- iii. [New Procedure 11.26.005 re Selection, Appointment and Reappointment of a Chancellor.](#)
- iv. [Revisions to Existing Procedure 11.19.001 – Closure Due to Severe Weather Conditions.](#)

## Approved: Venture Leasing

The Board approved the recommendation to wind up Venture Leasing Ltd. The sole purpose of this company was to hold the lease for the old Cowichan Campus. As Venture Leasing no longer holds the lease for the old Cowichan Campus there is no need to continue with this legal entity.

## Approved: 2011-2012 Board Goals

The Board approved the [2011-2012 Board Goals](#).

## Approved: Committee/Board/Senate Appointments

The Board approved the [2011-2012 Committee/Board/Senate Appointments](#).

## Received Information Reports From

- Finance Committee
- Facilities Committee
- President and Vice-Chancellor

## Received For Information

- CUPE Training & Development Annual Report 2010/11
- Letter of Congratulations re Deep Bay Marine Field Station
- Letter re VIU Submission to the Post-Secondary Central Data Warehouse (CDW)
- Assisted Leave Reports
  - Lev Idels, Department of Mathematics
  - Janice Porteous, Department of Philosophy / Liberal Studies

## Next Board Meeting

November 24, 2011, Nanaimo Campus

## Approved Minutes

All approved Board minutes are available at [https://isweb.viu.ca/comm\\_public](https://isweb.viu.ca/comm_public).

## Board Members

Shawn Atleo, Chancellor

Ralph Nilson, President & Vice-Chancellor

Mike Brown, Chair

Barb Carle-Thiesson, Vice-Chair

Patrick Barbosa

Kristine Chyplyk

Bill Cripps

Jerry Doman

Stewart Hawthorn

Katie Marocchi

John Phillips, Past Chair

Steven Purse

Dominique Roelants

Ann Scott

Bill Yoachim

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**Policy on Presentations to the Board by Employees, Students and Members of the Community  
(Policy 11.20)**

*The Board encourages persons or groups to address it on issues related to the University. A period of time will be set aside at each Regular Meeting of the Board and any person or group may speak to an issue. In addition, at the request of a person or group or on the decision of the Chairperson, presentation may be made at an in-camera meeting of the Board. Written briefs should be in the hands of the University Secretary/Senior Policy Advisor at least 10 working days in order to be included in the agenda of that meeting. Fifteen minutes will be allotted for scheduled presentations, and five minutes will be allotted for unscheduled presentations. Policy 11.20 can be viewed at [https://isweb.viu.ca/policy\\_procedure/docshow.asp?doc\\_id=21017](https://isweb.viu.ca/policy_procedure/docshow.asp?doc_id=21017).*

