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Internal communications can help us all

This is the first issue of DEVELOPMENTS in a new format designed to fill an internal communications role of informing the staff and faculty of administrative decisions. But, the publication, to have a monthly frequency, is not a one-way street. Feedback is invited and encouraged.

We want to present a vehicle for and about people, and while much of the content will be concerned with events in and around BCIT, it is our intention to spotlight the worthwhile extra-curricular activities of our people.

We are aware that many of the faculty and staff of BCIT play major roles in their own communities and within their own outside organizations. Unfortunately, in the day-to-day hub-bub of BCIT we don't get to see the complete person. We see the administrator, the instructor, the secretaries and clerical staff performing BCIT functions without really realizing that privately they have been elected to community public office, developed a new procedure or engine component, or been honored in some way. That is what we want to know about.

Of course, the major part of the publication will be devoted to administration decisions or procedure changes affecting the campus life. We want you to have confidence in DEVELOPMENTS as a publication that gives you the straight answers. We won't put an end to rumor-mongering. That is a very real part of any group with more than two people ... but until you read it here, don't believe it.

The contributions to the publication by the staff and faculty are equally important and a high priority, for without that feedback DEVELOPMENTS will be operating in a void, thereby destroying its purpose as a cohesive force on campus. The only thing we must insist on is a name and department attached to each contribution. Discussion concealed by anonymity is pointless.

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BCIT commercial written by student

If you listen to radio at all, you surely have not missed the 60-second spot promoting enrolment at BCIT. The province is saturated with the commercial which is running on four major Lower Mainland stations and 18 stations in the Interior.

It's the first attempt, on a wide scale, to dispel the belief that BCIT is closed and impossible to get into. There are vacant seats and we want to fill them while maintaining the high quality of student.

The interesting story behind the commercial is that it originates with student Pete Turner who wrote and directed it. Pete is in the Broadcast Technology of Lundy Sanderson.

Taking Pete's polished writing and direction, we had well-known local radio personality Al Jordan put his voice to it. The results have been gratifying.



B.C. TORY CHIEF PAYS VISIT - Scott Wallace, left, says he will concentrate on education and health in this session of legislature. BCIT was first on his list for inspection. He was shown around by Dick Melville, second from left, newly-appointed BCIT Director of Information, Graham Fane, Student Liaison officer and Gordon Thom, Principal.

Executive Committee membership cut to aid decision-making efficiency

In a move designed to make the executive decision-making more effective, the Executive Committee has been reduced from 12 to five members and will be known as the Principal's Executive Committee.

Members will be the Principal as chairman, the Executive Director of Technological Education, Executive Director of Personnel, Student and Information Services, Executive Director of Administration and the Bursar.

Commenting on the action, Principal Gordon Thom said the larger committee had proved to be too large and unwieldy to be truly effective.

"Often issues were discussed in which only a few had a direct interest and those with a peripheral or no interest were forced to endure it, which meant they were simply wasting their time," he said. "Time is a valuable commodity to our executives as well as being costly to the institute."

Mr. Thom said one of the concerns he had with the evolution of the smaller committee was the danger he could lose contact with the educational administrators, particularly those with responsibilities for students.

"For that reason, an expanded committee

will meet monthly to review significant issues which could affect education or the faculty," he said

Although the committee is not formally named, Mr. Thom referred to it as the Principal's Education Liaison Committee. The membership will consist of the basic Principal's Executive Committee, the directors of Business, Health, Engineering, Career Programs and Industry Services.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Terms of Reference

- a) that the present Executive Committee be replaced with a structure of interrelated executive committees and
- b) that the Principal, Executive Directors and Directors will have executive committees of their line administrators for the purpose of communicating significant information, debating particular issues and discussing issues of institute or division-wide concern and

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ALL STUDENTS ALL FACULTY

3:30 P.M.

ALL STAFF

OPEN GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, April 6

Food Training Centre

Staff Dining Room

The administration looks forward to an informal exchange of views, ideas and problems with all students, faculty and staff. Your concerns are welcome and we hope you will take this opportunity to communicate with us over coffee on Tuesday afternoon.

Increased costs force hike in campus food pricing

Following a report of the committee established to study food prices at the campus food centre, there is no alternative but to raise the price of meals.

The committee has recommended that the increases be made over a two-year period rather than hit the pocketbook of diners with one heavy hike.

The study and implementation of the report has been approved by the Board of Governors and the Campus Food Service Committee.

A recommendation to cut some services not presently paying their own pay was also made in an effort to avoid even bigger increases.

For some time now, the BCIT food facility

has operated at prices considerably lower than other institutions. In the study, a comparison was made of the same meal at BCIT, Simon Fraser University and the University of B.C. The following figures were determined:

Roast beef dinner, including beverage and pie:

SFU	UBC	BCIT
\$3.05	\$2.93	\$2.15

It is not the intention of the administration of the food centre to hike prices to comparable levels at once. But it must and will happen over the next two years.

A first step towards the goal is the in-

troduction of unit pricing which is designed to allow diners to pay for what they select and eat rather than pay for a complete meal. The unit pricing is to take effect April 1, together with a slight increase of about 10 per cent. For example, a complete meal now costs \$1.40 in the dining room and \$1.20 in the cafeteria. Under the unit price system the same meal will cost \$1.60 in the dining room and \$1.35 in the cafeteria. However, the diner may wish to eliminate potatoes, for example, thereby dropping the price to \$1.45 or \$1.25.

As many have already noticed, the price of coffee has been raised from 20 cents to 25 cents

Structure of Executive Committee altered

- c) that Departments in turn will have departmental meetings with their faculty and staff and
- d) that it is understood that such committees do not replace line management relationships or discuss line management issues except where such issues have a divisional or institute interest and
- e) that the terms of reference for the Principal's Executive Committee be as follows:
 Membership

Principal - Chairman Executive Director of Technological

Education
Executive Director of Personnel,
Student and Information Services
Executive Director of Administration

Bursar

Meetings

Monday from 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon. (Every fourth Monday the meeting will adjourn at 10:30 a.m. followed by a meeting with the Joint Technological Education/Principal's Executive Committee).

Resource Person

Administrators reporting directly to

each of the above members may be invited to attend. Board Secretary - before and after Board meetings.

Duties

advisory to the Principal deals specifically with information and recommendations to be tabled with the Board

reviews the implementation of Board resolutions

recommends to the Principal on issues of institute concern which do not require Board resolution

recommends to the Principal on priorities for the Institute establishes ad hoc task forces or committees to undertake special assignments or to refer items to other

executive or consultative committees for recommendations

The terms of reference will be reviewed at

the first meeting of the Principal's Executive Committee.

Agenda

The agenda will follow Executive Committee format.
Resolutions to be presented in writ-

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ten form and preferably circulated in advance

Agenda items to K. Milne by Friday, noon.

Time reserved for ten-minute reports from each of the members' areas.

The agenda is the responsibility of the Principal, as Chairman.

- f) that a Joint Principal's Executive Committee/Technological Education Committee be struck for the purpose of reviewing significant education lissue or issues which could significantly affect education or the faculty. The membership will consist of the basic membership of the Principal's Executive Committee, the Directors of Business, Health, Engineering, Career Programs and Industry Services. Other members of the Technological Education Committee may attend when there are issues relating to their specific responsibilities. The committee will meet every fourth Monday at 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.
- g) that the structure of interrelated executive committees be adopted for six months at which time an appraisal will be done.

Jack hae meat

Some hae meat, and canna eat An' some hae nane and want it But Jack has meat that ye can eat So phone and say you want it.

With apologies to the Scottish bard Robbie Burns, it's our way of saying that custom cut freezer orders of sides, hindquarters and front quarters are available to staff and faculty starting March 29 when the retail meat division starts that phase of its training.

Anyone wishing to purchase orders are asked to phone Jack Weddell, Local 417 between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon only.

All meat purchased is Government inspected, aged correctly and top grade A-1 steer. On receipt of your phone call, your name will be placed in the order book and you will be informed of your order number. Customers will be dealt with on a numerical basis. You will be informed one week in advance of your order being processed with details of procedure for cutting, pick-up and current market prices.

This facility provides you with generous savings on your meat purchases and the opportunity to have it processed your way.

It is hoped to run this training phase until August.

Students will not be able to participate in this owing to the limited workload on the retail meat students.

We do not cut and process sides of pork.

Warning issued: Lock your car!

Neil Chadwick, Safety and Security Administrator, is repeating an earlier warning about locking cars parked on campus.

"There appears to be a ring working the Burnaby area, and while we are not the complex being hit, we have had a rash of thefts from cars in our lots," said Mr. Chadwick.

He said not only have tape decks and other items been stolen from cars, but three or four cars have been stolen.

New BCIT admissions policy designed to speed up applications turn around

Following an extensive review by the administration of BCIT, new admission procedures have been developed to ensure that eligible applicants to BCIT have a fair and equal opportunity to enroll in the program of their choice, and are informed of their acceptance or rejection within a reasonable time.

The new procedures are:

- Eligible applications will be accepted on a "first apply-first accept" basis.
- Completed applicants will be processed, and applicants informed of either acceptance or rejection in a much shorter period.
- Successful applicants will be encouraged to register, either in person or by mail, immediately following their acceptance.
- Admission may be based on mid-term marks subject to confirmation by the end of the year transcript.
- Unsuccessful applicants to a program will be invited to apply to another program with vacant seats.
- Accepted applicants will be required to submit a \$50 commitment fee which will be applied toward their tuition upon registration.

Board pays tribute to late Ralph Carey

The Board of Governors of BCIT has expressed the following tribute to Ralph S. Carey, who died in February while vacationing in California.

Ralph S. Carey, 78, a founder of BCIT, may well be referred as the Senior Architect of BCIT. He was a member of the Advisory Council during its existence between 1961 and 1974, when it was replaced by the present Board of Governors. During this time, he served continuously as Chairman of the Personnel Committee of the Advisory Council, the group which selected all of the Senior Academic and Administrative personnel and approved all other appointments.

For eight years following his retirement from the Hudson's Bay Company in 1965, he joined the staff of BCIT as Research and Development Assistant to the Principal. In this capacity, he was Chairman of the Planning Committee when the 1967 Building, the Library and the Student Activity Center were built, and when the plans and specifications for the 1976 building were developed. In addition, he served as a member of the Institute's Executive Committee and as Chairman of the Salaries Committee. He made a significant contribution in advancing the Institute to the high

place that it occupies in the educational services of the Province.

Mr. Carey had a continuing warm interest in students and student leadership and each year presented the Carey Award to the graduating student, who had made a significant contribution to the Institute through participation in student government.

Graduation ball set for apr. 24

This is a special request for as many staff and faculty members as possible to attend the Graduation Banquet and Dance at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. It's semi-formal (business suitlong dresses for the gals) and features a great night starting at 6:15 with cocktails, dinner at 7:15 and dancing till 1:00 a.m.

Dinner features shrimp cocktail entree, followed by a salad, main course of Roast of Beef (Marchand de Vin) and vegetables and dessert.

The New Breed band caters to all taste in music, including the slow ones for the grads.

Tickets are \$25 per couple and may be purchased from Phil Henderson at SAC. Tables for ten may be reserved.