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Where do we go from here?

Committee ponders direction

A "flood" of requests for BCIT involvement in international education projects has prompted the establishment of an on-campus International Education Advisory Committee.

The committee, which wil be chaired by Dean of Engineering Bob Mason, includes Victor Heath, Forest Resource; Jerry Lloyd, dean of students; John Lindeniaub, Hospitality and Tourism; Dave Martin, department head, Basic Health Sciences; Jim Wardroper, Mathematics; Eric Crossin, Forest Resource and Dave Wallace, part-time instructor with Continuing Education and Industry Services.

Provincial consultant Dave act as a link between the ad-Hume has been appointed to ministration and the committee

"We need this committee," said Mason. "The file on international education correspondence is about six inches thick. There is a definite interest both on-campus and off-campus."

Mason said the Canadian Bureau of International Education, the Association of Canadian Community Colleges (ACCC), the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) and Industry, Trade and Commerce have indicated in-

terest in BCIT's participation in international education projects. He also said individual BCIT faculty members are supplying suggestions for projects.

According to Hume, BCIT's involvement in overseas education has been a reality for more than 10 years (see story page 2).

"The institute has not gone out and solicited involvement in the area of international education," Hume said. "BCIT is invited to participate in projects through faculty and administrators travelling abroad. Our commitment is a long-standing one."

BCIT's role in international education is, at present, unclear.

"The committee hasn't made any decisions on the direction the institute will take in international education," said Mason

"One of the committee's first tasks will be to come to grips with the concept of international education. The group is also going to have to take a look at the type of projects BCIT should get involved in. The committee has received a lot of suggestions for projects; however, we can't get involved in all of them."

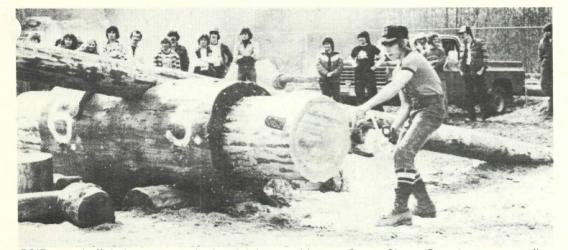
Project suggestions cover a range of activities such as training, consulting and faculty exchanges.

"The projects will be costrecoverable, like the Nigerian project," said Mason. "No BCIT money will be spent on these projects."

Mason said BCIT has received invitations to participate in projects in the Sudan, Nigeria, Southeast Asia, Mexico and Central and South America.

In its first meeting on March

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BCIT sawed off their opponents in the eighth annual Logger Sports Show. (See story on page 4).

Students go to the polls today

BCIT students are voting today to elect a Student Association Executive for 1980-81.

The polls are open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Student Activity Centre (SAC).

Of the nine positions up for grabs, only two spots are being contested.

Two candidates are running for vice president external. Bob Bieberdorf, first-year Electrical Technology student and Gordon Sears, Administrative Management are the

nominees.

Biomedical Electronics student John Brooks and Murray Crawford, also of Biomedical Electronics, are seeking the Health representative spot on the SA.

The other seven positions attracted one candidate a piece.

The single nominees are: Mike Deane, president; Robin Williams, vice president internal; Kirby Cowan, treasurer; Minto Purves, Business representative; Vinod Chandra,

Engineering representative; Michael Match, activities chair, and Doug Jessen, sports representative.

Each of these candidates must stand for approval by the student body.

Students either vote to accept the candidate or reject the nominee with a "no" vote on the ballot

Revisions to the Student Association constitution eliminate the possibility of acclamation to office.

Heath—eleven years of involvement

In 1969 Victor Heath, of Forest Resource, made a commitment to an international education project overseas.

You might say that first visit payed the way for BCIT's current involvement in international education. Because since then about 15 other instructors and some members

Document maps course

BCIT's five-year plan is about to become the official chart by which the technological flagship sails into the future.

"It represents the work of many people," said Richard Smyth, chairman of the ad hoc committee of the Educational Council set up to study the document.

He cited the work of the late Ernie Brown, who left his post as executive director of technological education to give impetus to the five-year plan.

"After Ernie's death the pieces were picked up by Drug [Svetic, vice principal, education], who pulled it together and produced a first draft or outline of what we have today," Smyth said.

After a number of reviews the document was taken back to the "tech ed" committee and each division and department was asked to flesh out their plans so that they could relate to the five-year plan projections.

Smyth said the document is a "map" of the course BCIT is planning to pursue in the next five years.

"Our recommendations are now in the principal's hands and I suppose he will then present them to the board of governors," said Smyth.

As he talked of the extensive review given the plan, Smyth said the total dedication of the people on his committee was "fascinating."

"All were incredibly involved and while there were differences as to direction, the positions were reconciled on the basis of what was best for the institute," Smyth said.

The five-year plan will be published within the next two to three weeks.

of BCIT's administrative staff have been involved in educational activities around the world.

"In the beginning, people were invited overseas because of their expertise," said Heath. "Many of the first contacts were personal ones and we were invited on projects to do what we do best."

Now, whether it's BCĮT staff travelling abroad, or education officials from outside the country visiting the campus, BCIT often receives an invitation to participate in educational projects.

"When people visit here we're always asked if BCIT instructors are interested in undertaking projects," Heath said.

Heath said he feels BCIT is big enough to become involved in many areas of international education. However, he said he is concerned about the institute's focus in the area of international education.

"I wonder about the amount of attention being given to African nations," said Heath. "We are not making ourselves available to our own continent. I think we should be looking to our neighbors in Central and South America and I'd like to encourage involvement in this area."

BCIT instructors have been involved in programs in Mexico, Honduras, Indonesia, Zambia, China and New Guinea during the past ten years. The projects have included training, curriculum development and consulting.

Heath's first assignment was in Londiani, Kenya at the Forest Training School.

"I was approached by CIDA [Canadian International Development Agency] to assess the forestry technical

training program in Kenya," said Heath. "I surveyed the needs, reorganized the training program and helped them present their material in a better way."

After Heath made his assessment other Forest Resource personnel followed. During the next five years J.A. Cuthbert, Eric Crossin and W.R. Cannon spent some time in Londiani.

A group of BCIT people were also involved in Zambia.

Bob Mason, dean of the Engineering Division; Dave Martin, department head, Basic Health Science; and Reg Ridsdale, department head, Electrical were among those participating in projects in the early 1970's. John Lindenlaub. of Hospitality and Tourism Administration; Ron Hyde, department head, Biological Sciences; Al Willcox, of Continuing Education and Industry Services: Jim Wardroper, Mathematics; and R.N. Hitchman, Biological Sciences were also involved in overseas activities

"BCIT's had a fair amount of involvement in international education," said Heath. "It's almost a tradition here; it really isn't anything new."

Fitness, diving and more

Spring is here and to help you celebrate Campus Recreation is offering some new programs.

A new series of coed fitness classes start on April 9 and run to May 29. Participants will meet weekly on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 4:40 p.m. to 5:25 p.m.

The cost of the sessions is \$15.

Surf sailing instruction will be available at the end of April. Classes are scheduled for Saturday or Sunday, April 19 or 20, 26 or 27.

Registration will take place in the SAC lobby on April 16 from noon to 2 p.m.

The fee for the course is \$15.

A basic massage techniques course, conducted by registered therapist Barrie MacKay, is set for April 19.

Interested persons should register by April 11. Enrolment is limited.

A scuba course is also slated. Proposed dates are April 14, 16, 21 and 23 in the evenings with open water sessions set for April 19, 26 and 27.

If you are interested in taking the course contact Campus

Recreation before April 9.

For further information on Campus Recreation offerings contact coordinator Wally Rowan or Louise Preiswerck, assistant recreation coordinator.

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19, the committee drafted some terms of reference. They are: to advise the principal with respect to projects and activities of an international nature; to advise the principal with respect to internal procedures with reference as to how these might facilitate and promote international education; to review, for the principal, international activities of the institute and to comment on them relative to the international goals and priorities of the institute; to advise the principal on the establishment of guidelines for and priorities in international education; and to advise the principal on special assignments and appointments of committees relative to international education.

The committee will also consider and advise the principal with respect to: Canadian

Universities Services Overseas (CUSO); Nigerian student project; international exchanges with developing countries and with developed countries; foreign student policy; bilateral relationships and industry and CIDA.

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Loggers rise to top

BCIT's logger sports team proved ungracious hosts of the eighth annual logger sports show held March 21 and 22.

The home team beat out 12 teams from the Pacific Northe two-day event. The BCIT team finished in first place with 76.5 points—30.5 points ahead of second place finishers Flathead Valley Community College.

Other teams involved in the competition included the College of New Caledonia, Centralia College, University of Montana, Treasure Valley Community College, University of Idaho, Malaspina College, Spokane Community College, University of British Columbia, Selkirk College and Rosedale Junior Secondary.

Shirley Telford, of BCIT, was Queen of the Woods with 13 points. The King of the Woods trophy was awarded to John Graham of Centralia College. Centralia College was the recithwest region for top honors in pient of the most sportsmanlike team trophy.



CAMPUS BRIEF

Henry Arthur has been re- Development Committee is now head. He will serve a two-year leave/course fees for the

Development and Directed ment.

Ronald F. Knott, of the English The B.C. government will spend Department, is the newly- more than \$212 million in elected member to the Educa- grants for the province's comtional Council. Elected as a munity colleges and institufaculty and technical staff member at large, Knott replaces athletic manager Derek Swain. Swain resigned recently.

BCGEU Employee million. The

elected as English department accepting applications for 1980/81 year. The new application forms may be obtained At its March 26 meeting, the Ex- from your Shop Steward or conecutive Committee endorsed a tract administrator Eileen departmental name change. Stewart. Completed applica-The Department of Program tion forms should be returned to the Employee Development Studies will now be known as Committee, c/o contract ad-Distance Education Depart- ministrator, Personnel/Labor Relations.

> tions, Education Minister Brian Smith announced following the budget. This represents a 15.7 per cent lift over the operating grants distributed last year, or an increase totalling \$29

Friday April 4

Monday, April 7

Tuesday, April 8

7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 9

12:00 p.m.

7 p.m.

Tuesday, April 15

12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 16 7:30 p.m.

8 p.m.

Thursday, April 17

4 p.m.

Friday, April 18

Good Friday. Campus closed.

Easter Monday. Campus closed.

Film Series 129. "Citizen Kane." Admission \$1. Lecture Theatre

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Discovery Park Inc. public meeting. Campus Food Services, staff dining room.

Film Series 129. "Midnight Express." Admission \$1. Lecture Theatre 129.

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BCIT Alumni Association annual general meeting and election. Student Activity Centre cafeteria.

Training and Development Centre (TDC) seminar, "How to Make Meetings Work." Vancouver City Centre Holiday Inn. Board of Governors meeting. BCIT Boardroom.

TDC seminar continues. Campus Recreation Annual Awards Banquet. Cost, \$7.50 per person. Royal Towers Crystal Ballroom, New Westminster.

Monday, April 21

Tuesday, April 22

7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 23

12:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 24

Monday, April 28

Tuesday, April 29

7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 30

12:00 p.m.

12:30 p.m.

TDC seminar, "Dynamics of Effective Management." Four Seasons Hotel.

TDC seminar continues Film Series 129. Mae West in "I'm No Angel" and W.C. Fields in "Never Give a Sucker an Even Break." Admission \$1. Lecture Theatre 129.

TDC seminar continues. Film Series 129. "I'm No Angel" and "Never Give a Sucker an Even Break."

TDC seminar continues at the Four Seasons Hotel.

TDC seminar, "Evaluating and Selecting Business Mini/Micro Computers." Holiday Inn, Vancouver City Centre.

TDC seminar continues. Film series 129. "Animal House." Admission \$1. Lecture Theatre 129.

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Free lecture, sponsored by the BCIT Staff Society Educational Development Committee. Dr Bryan Hiebert of Simon Fraser University will speak on "Stress and Stress Management." Room 197/198.