

BCIT UPDATE

YOUR CAMPUS BULLETIN

ORGANIZERS GET READY TO LAUNCH CONTEST

Life at BCIT will take on a new, entertaining dimension over the coming weeks as the great CAMPUS CENTRE TREASURE HUNT gets underway. "It will intrigue, frustrate and delight everyone who takes part in it," says organizer Len Arychuk, who has spent many hours over the past months devising contest rules and strategy. More he declines to say, except that the contest is designed to build awareness and support for the Campus Centre project over the next two years and that wonderful treasures are available to those who enter.

Large, colourful signs will soon announce the contest all over campus and the UPDATE will carry details in early October.

Treasure Hunt committee members will finalize plans for the contest at 3 p.m. in the S.A.C. boardroom on October 28. Anyone interested in getting involved with the committee at the organizational level is urged to attend this important meeting.

STATUS REPORT ON THE PROGRAM AUDIT TASK FORCE

The Board of Governors has recommended only a few changes to **Economic Development Through High Technology**, BCIT's draft report to the Park Commission.

Board members, together with President Murray, David Park and the three man secretariat, reviewed the report at an all day workshop on Thursday, September 17. Apart from recommending a few changes, the Board was reportedly in agreement with the general thrust of the report.

The Educational Council gave approval in principal to the draft document prior to it being reviewed by the Board.

The Report, which has now received wide circulation and input, is due to be in final form by the end of this month.

Most interviews and formally scheduled meetings between the commissioner and the BCIT community are now complete.

BCIT ADOPTS AIDS POLICY

The BCIT Board of Governors held a short meeting on September 17 to review policies recommended by the Man-

agement Committee. The following policy on AIDS, prepared by an Institute committee under the auspices of the V.P. Student Services and Educational Support, was adopted by the Board:

ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME (AIDS)

POLICY

It is the policy of BCIT that there shall be no discrimination against any person at BCIT known, or suspected to have AIDS or to be infected with HIV (AIDS virus).

BCIT's Medical Services Department will develop a clear set of guidelines for assisting its staff and students to understand and deal with the appropriate handling of bodily fluids.

BCIT will not insist on mandatory blood testing for the AIDS antibody.

While BCIT's policy does not require mandatory blood testing for AIDS, it should be recognized that BCIT has no control over the policies of external agencies training or employing BCIT students and/or graduates.

BACKGROUND

AIDS is primarily a sexually transmitted disease; infection may also occur by transfusion of contaminated blood and blood products. The virus has occasionally been isolated in small quantities from saliva and tears but transmission from saliva and tears has never been documented. The virus is fragile and does not do well outside the body.

There is no evidence that AIDS is spread through casual social or personal contact, such as touching, hugging or shaking hands (with someone who has AIDS). Nor has it been documented to be transmitted through sweat, or the breath, in food, on toilet seats or other objects.

As long as their health allows, people infected with the AIDS virus should be able to maintain a normal social and work-life and there is no cause for discrimination in the workplace.

The above information and policy is formulated on current data published by the National Advisory Committee on AIDS and will be updated accordingly.

PROCEDURE

If an employee's or student's health status deteriorates because of AIDS and if his/her condition indicates alternative or special arrangements, the individual will be treated in the same manner and with the same confidentiality as any other person with a serious illness.

INSTITUTE ADOPTS NEW POLICY ON OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS

A policy to deal with the problem of overdue library books was also adopted at the last Board of Governors meeting.

The policy reads as follows:

"To maximize access to the collection, the Library will levy fines on students, extramural borrowers and other libraries failing to return library materials by the due date. The purpose of fines is to protect the rights of all library patrons and provide an incentive to return books promptly. After 30 days borrowers will be billed for replacement value of the item and a processing fee. No statement of marks, transcript, diploma or certificate will be issued until the student has cleared up all financial and other obligations to the library."

TOURS RATED A SUCCESS

The September 18 tours of BCIT were rated a great success by those former PVI and BCIT board members and college representatives who participated.

The tours were held as part of an ongoing effort to bring people up to date on progress at BCIT since the amalgamation took place. The president thanks all the students and staff who gave their time by showing guests around and demonstrating their trades and technology programs. Tours were led by Jerry Lloyd, Dave Hume, Carol Dion and Jack Scarfe.

An informal poll will shortly be taken to determine if campus tours are of interest to staff, how long they should be and what areas are of specific interest.

Educational Council

Next Meeting:
Tuesday, October 6
at
4:30 p.m. in the
Boardroom

Agenda Items Include:

- BCIT's Report to Commissioner Park
- Election of a new chairperson
- Strategic Plan for Co-op Education
- Exam Schedule — Fall 1987

**Retirement Party
for
PAT ORD
General Nursing**

Monday, October 5 at 4:30 p.m.

Burnaby Rugby Club
Pavilion Lounge
Sprott and Sperling, Burnaby

Friends and colleagues
interested in attending this
function are asked to send \$2 (to
cover snacks, etc.) to Pauline
Mushens, General Nursing by
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1. A
cash bar will be available.

Donations toward a gift for Pat
should be sent to Stephany
Grasset or Linda Barratt in
General Nursing by October 1.

For more information call
Pauline Mushens at local 8311.

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**OCTOBER BOARD
MEETING
ANNOUNCED**

The next meeting of the BCIT Board
of Governors will be held on Monday,
October 26, with the open (or public)
session commencing at 5 p.m.

**PAKISTAN POSTINGS
AVAILABLE**

BCIT, in co-operation with Vancouver
Community College, is looking for the
following people to participate in the
development of a Women's Training
Program in Pakistan:

Specialist in Media
Specialist in Employment Counselling
Specialist in Monitoring and Evaluation
Specialist in Curriculum Development

Each position covers a two year term.
If you are interested in any of these
positions please forward your resume
to Donna Hooker in International
Education.

**NEW PRESENTATION
FOLDERS AVAILABLE**

New BCIT presentation folders are
available in the Community Relations
Department at a cost of 95¢ each, mini-
mum quantity 50. See Mary Bacon or
Susan Walters.

**FRIDAY AT FOUR
BEGINS AGAIN**

Friday at Four, the informal staff get
together held each pay day, is now
located in the Electrical Training Cen-
tre at Goard and Roper. This is a great
opportunity to meet and network with
other BCIT staff in a relaxed atmos-
phere. Low cost drinks and snacks
provided by the Student Association.

The next Friday at Four will take
place at 4 p.m. on October 9.