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1) COLLEGE BOARD MEETING: 1979 01 10

The V.C.C. Board met in regular session Wednesday evening - its first meeting after being designated a college under the Colleges and Provincial Institutes Act.

The major item covered at the meeting dealt with our facilities proposal. Briefly, our proposal calls for a new campus to replace King Edward at its present site; major renovations, including a new high-rise at the V.V.I.; and fairly significant renovation, with some new construction, at the Langara Campus. The estimated cost (exclusive of site acquisition for the new campus) is in the neighbourhood of \$35 million (in 1978/79 dollars).

The facilities proposal was discussed in considerable detail and a motion to submit it in its entirety to the Management Advisory Council and the Ministry of Education was unanimously approved by the Board.

Other items on the agenda included the College Principal's report, a report from the Management Advisory Council, RACs, financial report, and an omnibus motion approving all College Council policies, rules, regulations, etc., as though enacted by the College Board.

A Board member indicated his intention to have the College Board approve all proposed new courses and programs before they are offered. More on this at a subsequent meeting.

A copy of the minutes of the last meeting of the College Council, with reports and background material on Wednesday's meeting, has been placed in the Library for the perusal of those interested.

The next meeting of the College Board will be held on Wednesday, January 31st (not the 24th).

H.E.P.

2) NEW AND RETURNING FACULTY

The following instructors have commenced or will be commencing their duties with us during the next few days:

Aceman, Lee	E.L.T.
Adams, Kim	E.L.T.
Bailey, Arthur	E.L.T.
Butler, Phyllis	Librarian
Carrol, George	Bus. Ed.
Cawsey, Joan	E.L.T.
Cook, Paul	Librarian
Cumberbirch, Peter	E.L.T.
Ferera, Nora	E.L.T.
Geddert, Melanie	E.L.T.
Rayburn, Judith	E.L.T.
Renes, Laura	E.L.T.
Ritter, Judy	E.L.T.
Skogstad, Don	Bus. Ed.
Tolsma, C.	Reading and Study Skills
Trebbles, Maggie	E.L.T.

Mr. Pankratz, Dean Brown and I would, rather belatedly, like to give you a warm welcome to King Edward Campus. Some of you we have not yet met; so please drop by our offices to introduce yourselves to us. We would like to meet you.

Starting a new job in a strange environment is a traumatic experience for many. Because of this, I would like our experienced instructors to get to know our new colleagues soon and guide them safely through our bureaucratic "minefield".

We are also very happy to welcome back the following instructors who have not instructed here recently:

Cullen, Mary	Writing Skills
Green, Noreen	C.F.A.
Kirley, Elizabeth	E.L.T./B.T.S.D.
Mastai, Judith	E.L.T.
Thomas, Joan	Basic Ed.

R.F.C.

3) I.D. PHOTOS

Faculty, staff and students may have I.D. photos taken at the following times during the Spring Term:

Wednesdays: 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. and
 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Fridays: 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Faculty may have I.D. cards typed in the Main Office in the Student Records Department.

D.M.

4) BEWARE THE THIEF!

A reminder to be careful about your personal property. Recently we've had several thefts: a lady's purse left in an unattended room; a case of dictionaries from the bookstore.

Please be security-conscious!

J.D.B.

5) FIRE DRILLS

Be prepared for fire drills next week by:

- alerting your students and asking them to move out of the building quickly and, once outside, well away from outside walls;
- ensuring that plans are organized to assist (carry out, if necessary!) any handicapped student.

J.D.B.

6) A NOTE FROM STUDENT HEALTH SERVICE OFFICE

The Student Health Service Office will be closed on the following afternoons, as Rita Katzel will be attending Inservice Education at the Health Department on "Physical and Mental Assessment of the Adult" in order to improve skills in nursing diagnosis concerned with recognizing deviation from normal:

January 17, 24 and 31.

R.K.

- 7) The following is from Contact, the newsletter for the TESL Association of Ontario.

Basic ESL Literacy — TESL 78 Conference Report

Donna McGee, of Vancouver Community College, spoke at both the Literacy and ESL Symposium held at OISE, and at TESL 78. Her topic on both occasions was basic ESL Literacy. For those who heard her speak, Donna brought all of her considerable knowledge of and experience in teaching young children to bear upon this topic.

Donna has developed a new concept of "literacy classes". What distinguishes the literacy from the usual ESL class is that in the former, students are grouped together who have limited reading and writing skills in their native language. These students comprise the first of three categories of students who make up the "literacy classes". The second category is of "semi-literate" students, those who have less than five years of formal education in their own country. The third category is of "non-alphabetic" students, those literate in their own language, but who need to learn the Roman alphabet.

Informal testing at the time of students' registration itself determines who shall be placed in "literacy classes". For most, much is revealed by a student's ability or inability to write his own name, or by a student's ability or inability to read common, simple, English words, such as "Canada", or the name of his own country. Basic decoding abilities are also informative here.

Donna takes adults through two pre-reading skills and five reading skills, the same skill progression she uses in teaching children. Pre-reading skills include: 1) being read to, 2) the language experience approach of student-dictated stories serving as reading material. Reading skills include: 1) phonetic analysis, 2) structural analysis, consisting of a) syllabification and b) word parts, 3) sight words and 4) use of context clues, and 5) comprehension. She outlined activities to reinforce all of the above skills.

Ms. McGee's use of elementary methodology marks a fresh and exciting approach to the teaching of literacy skills to adults.

(Sharon Bowman, President-Elect of the TESL Association of Ontario)

R. M.

8) A REMINDER TO STUDENTS

Please remind students to exercise care with their personal belongings. Once again, a few things are going missing, most recently a box of new dictionaries.

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R.F.

9) POSITION OPENINGS

The B.C. Teachers' Federation has openings for two positions:

1. Director of Learning Conditions Division and
2. Director of Governmental Services Division.

Closing date for applications if January 26.

Details are posted on faculty bulletin boards.

R.F.C.

10) EXTENDED HEALTH CLAIMS

Claims to C.U. & C. for drug prescriptions, hospitalization, eye glasses, etc. incurred in 1978:

- a) Submit all receipts dated 1978, with C.U. & C. claim form (obtainable from my office) to C.U. & C. before June 30th 1979. Remember claim is \$25.00 deductible.
- b) Should have DRUG receipts totalling over \$100, C.U. & C. reimburse only on drug receipts up to the first \$100. Pharmacare reimburse on drug receipts over the first \$100.

How to claim:

- Obtain Pharmacare claim form from Pharmacist.
- Attach all receipts (including those amounting up to the first \$100) and send to Pharmacare BEFORE MARCH 31st, 1979.

BE SURE TO REQUEST PHARMACARE TO RETURN ALL RECEIPTS TO YOU IN ORDER THAT YOU CAN SUBMIT THOSE RECEIPTS AMOUNTING UP TO THE FIRST \$100 TO C.U. & C. ALONG WITH YOUR OTHER RECEIPTS FOR HOSPITALIZATION, ETC., TO C.U. & C. FOR REIMBURSEMENT. SUBMIT THIS CLAIM TO C.U. & C. BEFORE JUNE 30, 1979 AS PER INSTRUCTION NO. 1

NOTE: "(b)" only applies if your total amount of expenses on DRUGS ONLY exceeds \$100.

D.M.

11) TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES V.V.I.

Please let your students know that there are immediate openings for students in the following part-time (evening and Saturday) Certificate Programs at Vancouver Vocational Institute:

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| 1. Clerk/Typist Program | 5. Medical Office Assistant Program |
| 2. Secretarial Program | 6. Medical Transcriptionist
(Stenography) Program |
| 3. Bookkeeping Program | 7. Legal Stenography Program |
| 4. Accounting Program | 8. Data Entry (Key Punch) Program |

Students are also required for the following programs scheduled to start soon on the dates shown:

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| 1. Waiter/Waitress Program - | Start Date: Jan. 22, 1979 |
| 2. Chinese Cooking (Cuisine) Program - | Start Date: Jan. 29, 1979 |
| 3. Data Entry Program - | Start Date: Feb. 1, 1979 |
| 4. Retail Merchandising - | Start Date: Feb. 5, 1979 |

"Manpower" training support is available for full-time students.

Interested students should apply in person at 250 West Pender Street, or telephone 681-8111 and ask for Student Services.

R.F.C.

12) LOST BOOK!

The book "The Remedial Teachers' Handbook" was recently delivered to Room 111. The book cannot be found. If anyone has seen it, would they please return it to the Receiver?

S.B.

13) TO ALL INSTRUCTORS FROM THE READING AND STUDY SKILLS DEPARTMENT:

There are still seats available in the SPELLING class. If you have students who are interested in learning to spell better, please ask them to register.

Classes begin Tuesday, January 16, 1979 and will meet Tuesday and Thursday from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon and on Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. The course will end March 9.

B.P.