

# NEWS

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## **Board asked to approve Transition Controller, two Vice Presidents**

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A potpourri of items in this week's Exchange newsletter:

\* The College Board will be asked on Thursday to approve the contract appointment of a Chartered Accountant who is being recommended as Transition Controller.

When the Board agreed to the separation of the College it was agreed that the two new institutions must both be educationally and economically viable. Thus, the new Transition Controller will help make sure that there is a fair and impartial division of the capital assets, the financial assets and liabilities, and any deficits which may need to be carried forward. The Controller will also help to ensure that both Langara and VCC have sound administrative and financial systems in place when separation occurs on April 1, 1994.

The Transition Controller's position, which is a term contract until June 30, 1994, will be funded by the Ministry.

\* The Board also will receive recommendations on the appointments of two new Vice Presidents of Instruction and Student Services for City Centre and KEC. Although the names of the two successful applicants also can not be released until after the Thursday Board meeting, the candidates include Jackie Sandy and Linda Martin for City Centre, and Betty Nobel, Dale Dorn and Jean Cockell for KEC. We'll have more information available on all of the appointments as soon as possible.

\* Monday's Transition Council meeting was told that the NDP caucus will meet at Langara on May 8. This will be the first time

a government caucus meeting has been held at the College, although it's understood that it could become an annual event. The College will have 45 minutes out of the scheduled four-hour session to talk about College issues with the government members before the MLAs meet with others from the community.

\* President John Cruickshank told the TC that he and VCC Faculty Association President Dalton Kremer will meet very soon to begin mapping out a tri-partite plan to position VCC as having two Centres of Excellence. Said Cruickshank: "This is an important opportunity for VCC to achieve adequate funding as well as gaining a strong sense of direction for our programming."

\* Following a thorough selection process, the VCC Steering Committee has contracted with Wayne Penny and John Dickinson of Pacific Leadership Incorporated to assist in VCC's planning process.

Three phases have been identified for the planning effort: In the first phase, VCC will develop the process and establish a VCC Planning Committee; the second phase will see the development of vision, mission and values statements, and during the final step the new vision will be implemented.

Cruickshank said that the committee believes in open communications.

"The first phase will involve a great deal of information gathering, including a broadly based Issues Forum involving a large number of VCC employees," said Cruickshank. "The Forum will be held sometime in mid to late May. As well, the Committee will send a

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questionnaire to all VCC employees asking for their thoughts on the future of the College."

If you wish to contact a member of the Steering Committee with your ideas, they include: Dennis Cumming of the VMREU, Angela Julien from the Board, Dalton Kremer of the VCCFA, Donald Oakes from the CE Program Co-ordinators, Richard Pearce of the Executive Committee, Pauline Reaburn from the B.C. Nurses' union, Gail Rochester representing the Administrators and Abby Rose and Manuel Salinas of the City Centre and KEC student associations respectively.

\* The Administration and Finance Committee has recommended that the Board accept a proposed \$1.2 million Powersmart Energy Program which will affect all three campuses.

The College has been involved in Powersmart for a number of years, although

this particular program--which would be entirely paid for with a capital grant from the Ministry--is the largest single undertaking to date.

The program calls for the replacement of all the florescent tubes in the college with a new tube called a T8 tube. The T8 comes close to producing a full a spectrum light, so everything will look more natural, including, of course, ourselves. As a cost saver, the T8s, in combination with electronic ballasts and reflectors which will be installed where appropriate, mean substantial savings in electrical power. The savings achieved over about four to five years will equal the cost of the project.

The work will take about a year and much of it will be done at night and on weekends to avoid disruptions to employees and students.

**If you have any comments or questions, please send them to Chuck Poulsen, Manager of The Exchange, in care of College Administrative Services.**