

Highlights from the June 4th SBAC Meeting:

More Q and A's

Information Technology

1. *Wouldn't we save money if we did not hire consultants?*

The cost of consultants is an expense which is part of the IT salary budget. In IT, the IT salary budget is a combination of Capilano staff and consultants.

IT has several unfilled positions which require temporary staffing until the positions can be filled. Consultants are hired because of their specific expertise in a particular area; however, the University would prefer to hire its own employees.

Office of the President

2. *What could be eliminated from the Office of the President?*

In the May 30th Highlights, the memberships of \$121,000 were discussed. Kris Bulcroft has suggested dropping two memberships:

- BCAIU – BC Association of Institutes and Universities - \$25,000 for half year; and
- Business Council of BC - \$8,000

SBAC is concerned that leaving the BCAIU would be injurious to the university. BCAIU provides a link to other similar post-secondary institutions. Without this membership, the main source of information would be the Ministry.

International, External Relations and New Initiatives

3. *Can we reduce the budget for Centre for International Experience?*

The budget is \$395,700 which includes \$200,000 for agents who assist in recruiting students and \$195,000 for operating expenses.

As stated in the May 28th Highlights, revenue from international projects and tuition provide a net contribution (revenue less expenses) of approximately \$5.5 million each year which is 6% of the university budget. In 2013, the contribution from an international FTE was \$9,800 which is a 47% increase over 2009.

Next Steps

- Continue fact gathering

Meetings Scheduled

Wednesday, June 5- 2 pm

Thursday June 6 - 2 pm

Friday, June 7 - 12 pm