CALENDAR OF EVENTS SEPTEMBER

September 21

Noon, A126
Art Charbonneau talks about Politics in the 90's

September 24

Gymnasium
Superstar Competition
Register at the gym by September 23

September 25

8 pm, Clocktower Theatre
The UCC Film Society kicks off the season with "Tom Jones".
Oscars for best picture, director and screenplay.



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UCC Board News

Arts and Education Phase 2

The UCC Board voted in favour of putting construction of the addition to the Arts and Education building to tender.

The \$410,000 given to UCC by the Ministry of Advanced Education covers the cost of planning, and construction is expected to cost \$4 million.

Howard Yano Architects, now in the final stages of the planning process, said the 2,630 square-metre addition will include classrooms, offices, lecture theatre and computer labs. The addition will be complete by fall 1993.

As well, some renovations are planned for the existing A&E building. The language lab will be expanded, new classrooms created and faculty offices enlarged where possible.

Expansion to Williams Lake Campus

The building at the Williams Lake Campus will be expanded to create additional space for a growing number of students.

The \$1.5-million expansion will include the addition of classroom, library and faculty office space by next summer.

The construction and renovations will go to tender in late October.

Kenneth R. House architects said the addition will be the first step in a plan to physically separate the academic and vocational instructional spaces. One of the major problems at the campus is fumes from the vocational shops seeping into the class-rooms.

The Phase 2 expansion plans call for a separate building to house the vocational program facilities.

SFU Master's Degree

UCC is embarking on serving the expanded need of the college community for graduate studies.

Through a deal struck by SFU and UCC, 25 faculty and staff members are enrolled in a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership program.

This two-year program is unique in the sense that the Master's program is available to those without a Bachelor's Degree and it is the first arrangement of its kind in the province.

Instructors from SFU will come to the UCC campus on a regular basis to teach the courses.

Enrollment

Over 600 students were unable to get the courses they wanted this semester according to UCC Registrar Dennis Mayberry.

Last year, that figure stood at between 400 and 500.

There is a 15% enrolment increase in lower level academic studies, and a 35% jump in the upper level student numbers.

Overall, there is at least a 6 %

growth in total enrolments. These will bring the total student body count to near 5,800 by late October.

Programs that start after that date, along with students entering study in January will add to the total over the academic year, pushing the numbers towards 7,000.

Registrar Dennis Mayberry also noted the continued trend to increasing course registrants in lower and upper level degree programs, as more students move to fulltime study.

Mayberry said the three main reasons for the strong demand for post-secondary education are the demand for degree status, increased workforce training and more people moving to this region.

Funding Distribution

A Kwantlen College study for the Advanced Education Council of B.C. (AECBC) shows UCC has more students registered per capita than any other region in the province.

Yet the Lower Mainland receives the greatest amount of government money spent on education per capita.

President Jim Wright said the issue will be examined a AECBC meetings this week in Vancouver.

Perry Visits Campus

Dr. Tom Perry, Minister of Advanced Education, is tentatively

scheduled to visit UCC next month.

Exact dates and itinerary are still being determined, but it's likely he will visit the campus during the first full week of October.

Summer Session

The third academic Summer Session continued to show major growth in demand, with 916 students enrolled in 48 sections this past summer.

Projections for next year are for some 1,300 students to register in an anticipated 70 course sections. While plans for the '93 Summer Games in August are being developed, a full summer session is expected and games requirements should not interfere with a May and June course schedule.