

Kaffeeklatsch Discussion Notes

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UNBC Renovations – David Claus , PEng, PhD

Participants: 41-

Heating issues fixed in the Library classrooms

Moveable furniture & tables in the new Engineering, library classrooms

Library Building Lockers are now in a logical numbered order

Sound proofing should be improved with new walls/construction

Access Resource Centre is moving into their new space in the Library Building 5 – closer to the other wellness centres

Q: Are we losing classrooms? A: There was a change in the overall layout but the net result was a loss of 1-2 classrooms – worked closely with Registrar's Office to better match the available classroom inventory to class sizes with some room for growth

Relocated Facilities out of the basement of Charles McAffrey Hall. New space connected to the powerplant. All of the building services are connected to existing connections.

Based on passive house design for energy savings

Upcoming Renos:

Counselling Centre moving across the hall – Complete March 2021 to create space for the medical clinic

Medical Clinic – increased capacity and larger waiting area, additional exam room, better privacy, better access in case Ambulance needed, closer to counselling centre – complete May 2021

Psychology Teaching Clinic- moving into basement where Facilities was previously – starts in Jan 2021

Community Development centre is also moving into the basement area where Facilities was.

M of Physical Therapy and M of Occupational Therapy – renos in Teaching & Learning Building – scheduled to be complete Aug 2021

Still Planning: May 2021-Aug 2021?

Library Learning Commons

Registrar's Office

Student Affairs

Q: Will the Five Faculties transition affect Facilities?

The first four Deans will be accommodated with existing offices.

Q: Rumor about another building/residence?

In the 5 year capital plan there is a hope to build an additional residence, but we need the province to contribute funding. We operate our residences on a cost recovery basis – and the PG market is building lots of condos and apartments currently, so we will need to assess viability. Also considering adding on office/classroom space to the Wintergarden end.

Q: Is there a plan for family housing on campus?

It is not something we are setup or ready to do at this time.

UNBC Campus Master Plan: <https://www.unbc.ca/about-unbc/campus-master-plan>

Comment: Congrats to you and your teams on all this work David - the consultation and planning process has been extensive and really well done!

David will try to post some photos on the website as time permits 😊