
President's Report to the Board

Alan Davis, President and Vice Chancellor

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We are finalizing arrangements with [ClearView Strategic Partners](#) to adopt their protected disclosure system, which was referred to in the new KPU policy [HR-24](#). This will allow anyone in the university to anonymously file a report on a perceived violation of KPU's bylaws and policies. All reports will be vetted by independent reviewers before being forwarded to the appropriate executive or to the Board Chair for investigation. Communication plans and instructions will be developed to guide employees and students who wish to use this opportunity.

KPU's involvement in Innovation Boulevard in Surrey took an important step forward with the opening of the [Health Innovation Hub](#) at City Centre 1, on April 9th.

Later that day, I attended in Richmond, along with many others, "The Show" of the 2015 graduating class in Fashion Design. I was also pleased to attend and to marvel at the work of students and grads in Creative Writing on April 16th, and Fine Arts on April 18th. On the 16th, I also attended a production of *The Bacchae* by Fred Ribkoff's IDEA 1100 class.

On April 17th I was also invited to attend the dinner in honor of Indian Prime Minister Modi.

Long list interviews for the position of Vice President Finance and Administration took place on April 17 and 21st, and shortlisted candidates came to KPU on May 5th. A recommendation will go to the Board from HRC before its next meeting.

I attended the BC Business Council meeting on April 23rd and the Education Program Review Committee of CRNBC on April 24th.

On April 27th, I had a public conversation with Gwynne Dyer, journalist and historian about some of his recent writings on climate change and on the Middle East.

On April 29th I spoke at Carleton University's centre for teaching and learning on the role of personal learning networks and e-portfolios, and on April 30th I attended the BCAIU president's meeting at Vancouver Island University.

On May 1st I represented KPU, along with Dean of Design Carolyn Robertson, at the Richmond Sunrise Rotary annual gala and auction event.

I joined the Big Bike team to raise money for the Heart and Stroke Foundation in Langley on May 9, and the wonderful Science Rendezvous at KPU Langley on May 10. Later on May 10th I represented KPU at the Semiahmoo School annual Jazz Dinner and Dance gala.

On May 12th, I participated in the very successful KPU Foundation Golf Tournament, which raised \$55,000 for student scholarships.

May 19 to 22 saw 7 very full and successful convocation ceremonies, with 9 honorary degrees awarded, along with the presentation of the 2015 distinguished service and student awards.

Later on May 22 I attended the KPU Eagles women's soccer team who hosted the national team of the Cameroon.

On May 25th, I joined an invited panel at the Canadian Association of Research Administrators' meeting in Toronto.

On May 30th to June 2nd, I attended the Canadian Society for the Study of Higher Education in Ottawa.