If this item was previously presented to the Board, please provide a brief description of any major changes since that time.

Draft amendments to Policy 101 were presented to the Board of Governors for input on February 12, 2019 and it was published for a call for comment from February 28 to April 5, 2019. The Policy Development Committee reviewed the results of the community consultation and made minor changes to the draft of the proposed amendments to Policy 101, including moving the definitions section into the Procedures, and requiring that vending contracts, to the extent appropriate, adhere to government recommended healthy choices guidelines.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The proposed amendments to Policy 101 (the "Policy") are intended to ensure that vending machines are installed with appropriate input and that any profit or commissions generated from the vending machines are received by the appropriate UBC unit or department. A more robust set of Procedures to the Policy is proposed to clarify: (a) the responsibilities for the acquisition and installation of vending machines; (b) the scope of which types of vending machines are covered by the Policy; (c) that contracts between the University and suppliers of products in vending machines should recognize government recommended healthier choices guidelines; and (d) that certain UBC stakeholders may be interested in promoting or restricting the inclusion of certain products in vending machines at UBC by including procedures for additional engagement with concerned UBC stakeholders. Finally, the proposed amendments update administrative unit and position titles that have changed since the last time it was revised.

Attachments

1. Proposed version of Policy #101
2. Blackline of changes to proposed version of Policy #101 from when Policy #101 was last submitted to the Board of Governors in April 2019
3. Summary of community consultation and Policy Committee recommendations

A copy of the current policy is available at:
The current Policy was approved in 1977 and was most recently amended in 1993. The Policy Review Committee (the “Committee”) sought input from administrative units at both campuses and determined that there is a need for better processes surrounding the approval, acquisition, and installation of vending machines. The Committee set out to update the Policy to ensure that the responsibilities for the administration and management of vending machines are subject to various approval and consultation with units and departments responsible for supply management facilities and UBC spaces to ensure that vending machines are installed with appropriate input and that any profit or commissions generated from the vending machines are received by the appropriate UBC unit or department.

The current Policy addresses only two types of vending machines: (a) those that sell candy bars and drinks; and (b) those that sell other types of food products. Current Procedures under the Policy for the approval and installation of vending machines are limited to those machines that sell candy bars and drinks, and do not sufficiently address existing supplier contracts, safety considerations for the installation of vending machines, and the extent of involvement of UBC Student Housing and Hospitality Services (“SHHS”) in the approval of vending machines. The Policy is also silent as to what types of products may be restricted from vending machines at UBC.

The proposed amendment to the Policy expands and clarifies the scope of which types of vending machines are covered by the Policy. The definition of vending machine was expanded to include vending machines that dispense food, beverages, electronics, pharmaceutical products, photo printing, academic resources, supplies, clothing, and other consumable and non-consumable products. There is no longer a distinction between candy and drink vending machines versus vending machines that dispense other types of food. Instead, the vending machines are characterized as either those falling within the responsibility of units under the portfolio of the Vice-President, Students that are responsible for UBC student services, and all other machines installed with the approval of the Administrative Head of Unit responsible for the applicable UBC space.

The Committee has proposed a more robust set of Procedures to the Policy to clarify the responsibilities for the acquisition and installation of vending machines. The amended process clearly articulates that: (a) the permission of the relevant Administrative Head of Unit needs to be sought; (b) UBC Supply Management will determine whether a vending machine can be installed under an existing supplier contract or whether a new contract should be executed pursuant to UBC’s standard procurement process; (c) SHHS will determine whether the final determination regarding the acquisition of a vending machine rests with a unit under the Office of the Vice-President, Students or with the relevant Administrative Head of Unit; and (d) the Facilities Management department on the UBC Okanagan campus or the UBC Building Operations department on the UBC Vancouver campus, as applicable, need to be consulted to support the installation or removal of vending machines.

To better reflect the responsible units in the Procedures for approval of vending machines, the Committee also clarified which unit has the responsibility for the operational costs of
vending machines, and which unit receives the benefits of the commissions from the vending machines.

UBC is committed to the health and wellbeing of its students, faculty and staff. In order to affirm this commitment and to codify an existing practice, the proposed amendment will require that all contracts between the University and suppliers of products in vending machines will include a provision that, to the extent appropriate, the products supplied through such contracts will adhered to government recommended healthier choices guidelines.

The Committee recognized that certain UBC stakeholders may be interested in promoting or restricting the inclusion of certain products in vending machines at UBC. The amendment to the Policy includes procedures for additional engagement with respect to issues concerning vending machines and the products available in vending machines, including matters related to the products’ alignment with UBC’s commitment to the health and wellbeing of its students, faculty and staff.

Finally, the proposed amendment updates administrative unit and position titles in the Policy that have changed since the last time it was revised.

**BENEFITS**

Learning, Research, Financial, Sustainability & Reputational

The proposed amendment to the Policy will provide greater guidance to the UBC community on the administration, management, responsibility, revenue generation, and operational costs for any vending machines installed or proposed to be installed at UBC. These amendments will bring the Policy into alignment with the University’s existing practices, creating a more consistent process across the two campuses and establish process whereby relevant units will ensure that machines are installed safely and in accordance with existing vending contracts. In response to a comment from one of the members of the Board of Governors, the proposed amendment also provides an avenue for members of the UBC community to provide input with respect to the kinds of products available in vending machines on campus.

**RISKS**

Financial, Operational & Reputational

The current Policy is out of date with current practices with respect to vending machines on campus and without the proposed amendment to the Policy, UBC could be subject to inconsistent approval processes, breaches of current supplier contracts, and unsafe or inadequate installation practices.

**SCHEDULE**

Subject to the approval from the Board of Governors, the next step will be to post the approved amended Policy on UBC’s website.

**CONSULTATION**

Relevant Units, Internal & External Constituencies

The Office of the University Counsel constituted a Policy Review Committee comprised of the following members, to consider and advise on the review of the Policy:

- Chelsea Thompson, Legal Counsel, Office of the University Counsel (Chair)
- Michael Serebriakov, Legal Counsel, Office of the University Counsel (Secretary)
- Michael Frost, Strategic Project Lead, Strategic Projects, Supply Management & Operations
- Gary Hartung, Manager, Ancillary Services, Food & Parking, SHHS, UBC Okanagan
- James Heth, Assistant Treasurer, Contracts and Leases, Treasury
- Saavin Lidder, Undergraduate Student, Sauder School of Business
The proposed revisions to the Policy were published on the Office of the University Counsel website with a call for comments from the UBC community.

The community consultation period was opened for five weeks, from February 28 to April 5, 2019. During this time, the Committee received two responses. A table setting out the summary of the received comments and the Committee’s recommendations in response to the comments are attached as Attachment 3.

The Committee considered the input from the community consultation process and met to discuss the final proposal for the consideration of the Board of Governors. The Committee determined that only minor revisions needed to be made to the Policy since it was last presented to the Finance Committee of the UBC Board of Governors. These revisions include the following:

- Clarifying the definition of “UBC Facilities”;
- Clarifying the role of UBC Facilities in the approval of the installation of vending machines;
- Moving the definitions sections from the main body of the Policy to its Procedures; and
- Requiring that, to the extent appropriate, contracts between the University and suppliers of products in vending machines should adhere to government recommended healthier choices guidelines.

For further details about the revisions made to the Policy, see Attachment 2, which provides a blackline of changes to the Policy from when the Policy was last submitted to the Board of Governors in April 2019.
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