SUBJECT	Establishment of New Endowments
SUBMITTED TO	Learning & Research Committee
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REQUEST	For information only - No action requested
LEAD EXECUTIVE	Hubert Lai, Q.C., University Counsel
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PRIOR SUBMISSIONS

The subject matter of this submission has not previously been considered by the Learning & Research Committee.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The endowment funds listed under this docket have been approved by the President on the recommendation of the University Counsel in accordance with UBC Endowment Policy (FM5) and are presented to the Learning & Research Committee of the Board of Governors for information only.

Under the Endowment Policy, the Board of Governors has delegated authority to the President to approve, upon the recommendation of the University Counsel, the establishment of new endowment funds. Spending may begin upon execution of the endowment documentation by the President.

Since the last docket report was prepared for the Learning & Research Committee, the University Counsel has recommended and the President has approved the establishment of the following Endowment Funds. Where the University is committing additional funding to donor endowments, the amount and source is indicated in brackets following the description:

UBC Okanagan Student Awards

NEW AWARDS – SERVICE, LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

1. **Paul Jubinville Memorial Bursary in Engineering:** Gifts totaling $33,800 from Rick and Jeannine Jubinville, family and friends of Paul Jubinville, along with funds from The University of British Columbia, will establish an endowment to be known as the "Paul Jubinville Memorial Bursary in Engineering Endowment Fund" (the "Jubinville Fund"). The Jubinville Fund will support bursaries for fourth-year electrical engineering students in the School of Engineering in the Faculty of Applied Science at the University's Okanagan campus. Preference is given to students who demonstrate an assessed financial need. Paul was from Kamloops and attended Thompson Rivers University before UBC Okanagan, where he received his undergraduate Engineering degree in spring of 2016, shortly before he passed away from brain cancer. In loving memory, Paul is remembered as a witty and intelligent young man of strong character who was just starting his journey in life. The bursary will be adjudicated by Enrolment Services. (UBC contribution: $16,200 UBCO ASPIRE contribution)

UBC Vancouver Green College

2. **Meredith and Peter Quartermain Poet in Residence Endowment Fund:** A gift of $50,000 from Meredith and Peter Quartermain will establish an endowment fund to be known as the "Meredith and Peter Quartermain Poet in Residence Endowment Fund" (the "Quartermain Fund"). The Quartermain Fund will support writers who have an interest in poetry and have been appointed to the position of Writer in Residence at Green College. Meredith Quartermain graduated from UBC with BA in English Literature (1976), MA in English Language (1978) and an LLB in 1989. She was the Poet in Residence at Vancouver Public Library in 2012. Her husband, Peter Quartermain is Professor Emeritus of UBC and taught Poetry for over 30 years. He retired in 1999.

UBC Vancouver School of Music

3. **Violet A. Clampitt Memorial Endowment Fund for the Study of Classical Music**: A bequest in the amount of $50,000 from the Estate of George Leonard Clampitt will be used by the University to establish an endowment fund to be known as the "Violet A. Clampitt Memorial Endowment Fund for the Study of Classical Music" (the "Clampitt Fund"). The Clampitt Fund will be used to support the study of classical music within the School of Music. George Clampitt left the bequest to honour his late wife Violet who was a devotee of classical music. The Executor chose to make the gift to UBC to honour Mr. Clampitt's wishes.

UBC Vancouver Student Awards

NEW AWARDS – ACADEMIC MERIT-BASED

Awards

4. **Bill Stothard Memorial Award in Astronomy:** A gift of $50,000 from David Stothard and the Stothard Family in memory of Bill Stothard (1898-1967) will establish an endowment fund to be known as the "Bill Stothard Memorial Award in Astronomy Endowment Fund" (the "Stothard Fund"). The Stothard Fund will support awards for graduate students specializing in Astronomy with outstanding academic and research achievements, with preference given to students who have demonstrated a commitment to astronomy outreach or public engagement. If, in any given year, there are no eligible graduate students then the award may be given to an undergraduate third or fourth-year B.Sc. student majoring in Astronomy. Bill had expressed early interest in astronomy even before emigrating from his Grassmoor, England birthplace at age seven. He grew up in Brandon, Manitoba where he became a skilled machinist and welder. He then travelled North America as a young man, eventually settling in Vancouver, where he worked in his trade until retirement. Astronomy was his avocation throughout his life, not only viewing the night skies but also constructing his own telescopes for this purpose. Bill's family established this award to honour his memory and his lifelong interest in astronomy. These academic awards are made on the recommendation of the Department of Physics & Astronomy, and in the case of a graduate student, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. (First award available for the 2021/2022 academic year)

Scholarships

5. **Backman Family Graduate Scholarship in Forestry:** A gift of $100,000 from Charles Backman (B.S.F. 1976, M.B.A. 1986, M.A., Ph.D., Ph.D.), along with funds from the Faculty of Forestry, will establish an endowment fund to be known as the "Backman Family Graduate Scholarship in Forestry Endowment Fund" (the "Backman Fund"). The Backman Fund will support scholarships for outstanding M.A.Sc., M.F., M.Sc. and Ph.D. students in the Faculty of Forestry who are (1) on exchange outside of British Columbia or

(2) conducting international field research or focusing on international forestry issues for their thesis. The Backman family's links to the British Columbia forestry industry go back to the early 1900s. Charles' parents Arvid "Bill" Backman (1919-1998) and Elizabeth Backman (1923-2016) attended UBC in the 1940s. Bill (B.A.Sc. 1943, M.F. 1993) served as Treasurer of the AMS from 1942 to 1943, and completed his Master of Forestry in 1993 at age seventy-four. Elizabeth (B.A. 1945, B.S.W. 1946) received the 125th Anniversary of the Confederation of Canada Medal in 1992 in recognition of her volunteer work. Charles had a long career in academia and forest resource management. He has earned five university degrees, and continues to be a lifelong learner. The scholarships are made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Forestry, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. (First award available for the 2021/2022 academic year). (UBC Faculty of Forestry contribution: $50,000)

6. **Robert A. J. McDonald Memorial Scholarship in History:** Gifts totalling $59,520 from friends, family and colleagues in memory of Robert A. J. McDonald (1944-2019), along with funds from the Faculty of Arts, will establish an endowment fund to be known as the "Robert A.J. McDonald Memorial Scholarship in History Endowment Fund" (the "McDonald Fund"). The McDonald Fund will support scholarships for outstanding graduate students in the Department of History specializing in the history of British Columbia. Dr. McDonald (B.A., M.A., Ph.D. 1977) grew up in Brandon, Manitoba, and relocated to Vancouver to complete his Ph.D. at UBC, where he became an Assistant Professor of History in 1978. He was a leading historian of British Columbia, editing the journal BC Studies and serving as president of the Vancouver Historical Society. Dr. McDonald taught Canadian history for more than thirty years, during which he touched the lives of thousands of students, and received the Killam Teaching Prize in 2000 in recognition of his dedication to his students. This scholarship was established in recognition of Dr. McDonald's achievements as a historian and as a professor. The scholarships are made on the recommendation of Department of History, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. (First award available for the 2021/2022 academic year) (UBC Faculty of Arts contribution: $20,000)

7. **Richard Rusk Memorial Scholarship in Architecture**: A gift of $50,000 from The Christopher Foundation in memory of Richard Rusk (1952-2020) will establish an endowment fund to be known as the "Richard Rusk Memorial Scholarship in Architecture Endowment Fund" (the "Rusk Fund"). The Rusk Fund will support scholarships for outstanding Master of Architecture students. Richard grew up in Calgary, Alberta, and relocated to Vancouver, British Columbia to attend UBC. He was the founder and principal of Vancouver-based architectural firm REL Design and Development Limited. Richard designed and built homes inspired by West Coast design, and his work can be seen across British Columbia, as well as in Calgary, California and Hawaii. The scholarships are made on the recommendation of the School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. (First award available for the 2021/2022 academic year)

NEW AWARDS – SERVICE, LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

8. **Computer Science Student Society Class of 2020 Award:** An initial gift of $30,000, from a total pledge of $50,000, from the Alma Mater Society of the University of British Columbia Vancouver on behalf of its Computer Science Student Society will establish an endowment fund to be known as the "Computer Science Student Society Class of 2020 Award Endowment Fund" (the "CSSSC 2020 Fund"). The CSSSC 2020 Fund will support awards for Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science students majoring in Computer Science who have demonstrated leadership, community engagement and volunteerism within the community. This award was initiated by the 2020 Computer Science Student Society to celebrate the Computer Science Graduating Class of 2020, whose graduation ceremony was impacted by the 2020

COVID-19 pandemic. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Department of Computer Science. (First award available for the 2020/2021 academic year)