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## President's Letter

12 September 2005

### UCFA Annual General Meeting

Thursday October 6<sup>th</sup>  
2005, 6.00pm, at the  
Holiday Inn, 711 West  
Broadway, Vancouver

Dr. Michael Golbey, President of the BCMA, will be the guest speaker at the Annual General Meeting. Come to discuss the future development of the UCFA and elect your new board. Light refreshments will be served.

Attached is a [nomination form](#) for new board members. A few of the current board members who have served for many years will be resigning from the board – *We need new members in order to continue the work done so far – Please consider joining the board.*

### UCFA Survey – please respond

The UCFA survey to obtain the views of Clinical Faculty has produced some interesting preliminary results. However, we need more responses to make the information generalize. Please take a few minutes to complete this online survey: go to the [UCFA website](#) and click on “[Survey](#)”. The password is “Zorba” – uppercase Z. **Deadline is Wednesday September 21, 2005**

### Of Mentors and Scholars

Angus Rae, past President of the UCFA is the Guest Editor of the September issue of the BCMJ which focuses on the crisis in Medical Education.  
[http://www.bcma.org/public/bc\\_medical\\_journal/current\\_issue.htm](http://www.bcma.org/public/bc_medical_journal/current_issue.htm)

### BCMA negotiations committee to report on teaching.

At the BCMA executive meeting in June, we gave a presentation from the UCFA. A motion was passed asking the negotiations committee to report back to the BCMA executive on financial issues relating to Physicians in the province taking an expanded role in teaching. We will be providing input into this report. The Provincial Medical Associations in Ontario and Alberta have secured funding for Physicians to teach and a [motion](#) was passed at the annual General Council meeting of the Canadian Medical Association recommending Physicians be resourced to teach.

### Negotiations with Faculty of Medicine

#### Another Review?

Further discussions have been held with UBC but so far no proposals for a contract have been tabled by UBC and there have been no formal responses to our written proposals, and on contract is forthcoming. However, following UBC's request for adequate funding from the Ministries of Advanced Education and Health for Clinical Teaching, [another review](#) is being commissioned to assess the resources required for teaching. UCFA has not been asked for input into this process, despite the agreement in 1999 resulting from the “[Mutual Obligations](#)” document requiring a joint study between UBC and UCFA into costs associated with Clinical teaching. ***UCFA recommends that Clinical Faculty continue to teach only under the terms of the negotiated [2001 A/O letter](#) or [letters approved by UCFA](#) and that they continue to submit [invoices for teaching until such time as UCFA is consulted and approve of new ones.](#)***

### Medical School Expansion

#### Accreditation

An accreditation process is apparently planned for mid-October specifically to look into the concerns regarding availability of teachers for the expanded UBC Medical School. There is little information available regarding this and the organization representing Clinical Faculty (the UCFA) has not been approached for input.

### Kelowna Emergency Physicians request for fair deal.

UCFA is supporting Kelowna ER Physicians who have requested arbitration regarding their claim for payment for teaching.

***Make sure that you have a [Clinical Faculty Appointment](#) and that [teaching is formally assigned](#) and continue to submit [invoices](#).***



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**NOMINATION FORM  
FOR UCFA EXECUTIVE/BOARD MEMBERS  
2005 ELECTION**

I, ..... OF .....  
(Please Print) (City)

HEREBY NOMINATE FOR ELECTION

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DATED THIS ..... DAY OF .....2005

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SIGNATURE OF MOVER

I, THE ABOVE NAMED.....

HEREBY ACCEPT THE ABOVE NOMINATION

DATED THIS..... DAY OF .....2005

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SIGNATURE OF MEMBER NOMINATED

**Please Fax completed form to Diane Wong at 604 638 2938**

*Member of the Canadian Association of University Teachers*