

Referendum Question: Community Health Sciences Centre Fee

After four years of collaboration between the current and previous KUS executives, various student leaders and the School of Kinesiology we are happy to announce the successful conclusion to the referendum regarding the fee for the Community Health Sciences Centre (CHSC). Thanks to our largest voter turnout in history (47%) and an overwhelmingly positive response (87% in favour), the referendum passed! Kinesiology students have served notice that they support the CHSC and are willing to help fund their space and place in the proposed new facility. The success of this referendum was due in large part to the efforts of the Make Your Mark (MYM) student action committee; they tirelessly sought to educate and collaborate with students while simultaneously navigating the politics of a large university.

Voting information:

Referendum Question: Do you support the KUS introducing an annual \$250.00 per student building fee for the Community Health Sciences Centre for future Bachelor of Kinesiology students subject to the following conditions?

In supporting the proposal to introduce a building fee beginning no earlier than the opening of the Community Health Sciences Centre, the following conditions are applied:

1. The fee amount would be \$250.00 beginning the first full academic year that the building is open.
2. Revenue from the fee will be used to repay an internal loan from UBC Treasury that will be put towards constructing the Community Health Sciences Centre. This fee will continue to be levied until the loan is fully repaid over 30 years.
3. After the first year that is levied, the fee will annually increase by 2% cumulatively to be levied until the loan is fully repaid over 30 years.
4. The fee will only be levied if all elements listed below are incorporated in the constructed building. These include:
 - a. A dedicated office space for the KUS.
 - b. A Student Fitness Centre
 - c. Informal student learning space/priority study space accessible all hours of days, seven days a week
 - d. Food and smoothie food outlet
 - e. The installation of 400 lockers
 - f. KIN student representation (1 undergraduate & 1 graduate student) on Community Health Sciences Centre Working Committee
5. If UBC terminates plans to construct the Community Health Science Centre, as currently programmed, or does not grant Board 1 approval (or its then equivalent) to the construction of the Centre within 5 years from the end date of the Referendum, the student leadership of the KUS that year will have the option to withdraw the offer upon written notice to UBC in considerations of the students' needs.