1.0 Purpose
The Committee’s purpose is to provide a transparent platform used to enhance creative and productive interactions between the UBC Dairy Centre and the various academic, government, producer and industrial groups the Centre interacts with.

2.0 Objectives
1. To provide information about selected teaching, research and technology transfer programs underway at the Dairy Centre.
2. To help dairy researchers at the Centre become familiar with producer’s view of teaching and research requirements.
3. To seek overall advice on the general operation of the Dairy Centre.
4. To provide an open and transparent opportunity for various sectors of the dairy industry to meet and discuss related issues.
5. To provide an opportunity for graduate students to learn about various aspects of BC’s dairy industry and to participate equally in the discussions.

2.0 Membership
The Advisory committee is comprised of approximately 15 individuals representing various sectors of the dairy industry including:
- Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
- Animal Nutrition Association of Canada
- BC Dairy Association
- BC Ministry of Agriculture and Land
- BC Milk Producers Association
- BC Veterinary Medical Association
- Dairy Industry Research and Education Committee
- Mainland Milk Producers Association
- Producers
- UBC
- Westgen
Additional producers are often invited to Committee meetings. All students and other researchers actively using the Dairy Centre’s experimental animals and research facilities are also invited to attend. In total, there are normally 50 – 60 individuals in attendance.

### 4.0 Procedures

Minutes and agenda are managed and distributed by the Dairy Centre. The meetings are chaired by Ron Barker previously from the BC Ministry of Agriculture and Land and no longer formally affiliated with any sectors of the dairy industry, university or government.

### 5.0 Meetings

At least one 4 - 5 hour meeting is held per calendar year in the BOM Conference Room located at the Dairy Centre in Agassiz. Lunch is provided. Participation by video conferencing is possible. A tour of the Centre’s research facilities often follows the meeting.