

Minutes of the Physical Facilities Committee October 19, 2011

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CAMPUS ASSEMBLY

PHYSICAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 19, 2011, 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Present: Sheila Autio, Jodi Carlson Grebinoski, Amanda Fudala, Pat Keenan, John King, Bob Krumwiede, Mick McComber, John Rashid, Harlan Stech, Molly Tomfohrde, Drew Wimmer, Larry Wittmers, Mark Zmudy

Excused: Adam Pine

Absent: Nik Hassan

Guests: Cheryl Love

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m., and Committee members introduced themselves.

Approval of minutes – April 28, 2011

The April 28, 2011 minutes were approved as written.

Construction and space updates (John Rashid)

MPAC: stage lighting & rigging, fire concerns and code updates are to be addressed. This project will be handled as a design/build. Proposals are back and we are ready to award the project. It is budgeted for \$1M but the consultant says it will cost significantly more, so the scope of the project will have to be revised.

Voss Kovach Hall: the planned roof project has been postponed until next summer.

Bookstore (main level) renovation: This is to add new fixtures and update the look. The schematic design is nearing completion and the project should begin in May when school ends.

Completed projects include the terrazzo projects, Malosky bleachers (roughly \$150k under budget), Griggs Addition fire truck access, SpHC student lounge, DAdB conference room.

The Montague Hall lecture rooms opened in time for school and the balance of the remodeling is nearing substantial completion. A soft move should begin in 3 weeks and the space should be fully occupied by the start of spring semester.

New projects include:

Chem140, a \$6-700k lab renovation which will be done by in-house crews.

Voss Kovach 131, which will be turned into a lab for Civil Engineering (the current occupants are moving to Montague)

Lot B replacement, which involves taking up the blacktop, redo of the base and new surface, but with features designed to control stormwater.

The money left over from the Malosky bleachers job will go to reroofing, scraping and painting the Limnology lab.

Parking updates

Cheryl Love advised members that the maroon permits sold out on the first day of school. There were 175 on waiting list, Parking Services released another 25-30 and, based on lot monitoring, there is no plan to release more. Gold and Housing permits are still available. Parking Services is encouraging the campus community to ride the bus. Cheryl noted that the City had been considering installing long-term, credit card meters on St. Marie and Junction, but decided against it.

Master Plan

Bob discussed last year's work on identifying projects and mentioned that it could be useful to this year's work. He then asked John King to introduce members to the work ahead.

John mentioned that the committee has historically struggled a bit with its role and the Master Plan. He read members Goal 6 of the Strategic Plan and the action step to expand the master plan to incorporate more depth in sustainable planning issues. John noted that the last complete Master Plan update was in 2005, with a small update two years ago. This Master Plan will be more comprehensive and a broader scope than in past and this committee is the core committee for this work. Some new issues for the Master Plan will include the research farm, NRRI, Glensheen, Limnology Lab property, the Research Lab Building, campus infrastructure, and rethinking the central entrance idea (addressing what happens to the sports fields) given the Mark Lambert purchase of Woodland School for redevelopment.

The Master Plan process is coordinated through the University's department of Capital Planning & Project Management (CPPM). Members were advised that there will be a special meeting on November 1, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. Orlyn Miller from CPPM will be on campus to kick off the Master Plan update at UMD and walk members through the process. Orlyn's role will be to oversee the update process and shepherd the final Plan through the University approval processes.

The committee will discuss this further, but John noted that there may be a need to issue an RFP for a consultant to develop this Plan. There may be a need to develop subcommittees to work on specific elements of the Plan. And external input must be sought. Public forums, neighborhood meetings, meetings with the City are all elements of this process. It is a large project and the goal is for this Plan to be completely revised by late spring.

Other old business

John King updated members on the status of the American Indian Learning Resource Center (AILRC) project. Last week the Board of Regents approved the University's system-wide capital projects list. The AILRC fell to #5 on the list (last year it was #3), so the campus will be working hard to move the project forward in the bonding bill.

Election of chair and vice chair

Bob Krumwiede was nominated and re-elected chair. Mick McComber was nominated and re-elected vice chair.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joan Erickson