

MINUTES
FACULTY SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING
Thursday, October 16, 2014
Student Union room 205 at 3:30 pm

Present: Barbara Anderson (chair), Jason Brody, Brad Burenheide, Diana Farmer, Gloria Holcombe, Julia Keen, Drew Smith, and Spencer Wood

Proxies: Gloria Holcombe for Joel DeRouchey, Bill Hsu for John Devore

Absent: Lynn Carlin (Liaison for Provost Office), Reagan Kays, Heather Reed, and Mark Weiss

Guest: Ryan Swanson

1. Barbara Anderson, chair, called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm
2. The October 2, 2014 minutes were approved as submitted.
3. New Business
 - A. Visit from Ryan Swanson, Associate Vice President for the Division of Facilities
Possible topics which will be discussed:
 - North Campus Master Plan
 - Current construction projects and those that are planned to begin soon
 - Transportation and safety issues that will be a concern during all of the construction projects planned in the next few years
 - Decision process to be used regarding requests for new construction and remodeling
 - How new users of vacated space will be determined as a result of constructing the business building, the geoscience building and such.

Anderson thanked Associate VP Swanson for attending today's meeting. Discussion surrounded the major capital project budgets and key milestones. Handouts were given to committee members. Transportation solutions were part of the discussion. A question was asked about the thought process behind assisting older buildings such as Waters Hall, Leisure Hall, etc. No true funding source was identified as assisting these buildings at this time.

Swanson indicated that an assistant director for space management has been hired who will start in December or January. Swing space for construction and remodeling is very difficult to come by, as we all know.

It was asked why ECM (across Denison Avenue from Durland) is being torn down to build a new building for a multicultural center rather than remodeling the existing building? A bigger building structure is desired and funding will be entirely external for this project. Discussion ensued.

How is the decision made about who gets what space? What criteria is used? Currently there is none. A plan is being worked on to make this more fair and equitable when it comes to distribution. A space utilization committee will be created when the Space

Management Assistant Director arrives. This will likely be an advisory committee and will make recommendations to the President's cabinet; however, that is just a potential structure. It was agreed by all this will be an asset for the campus. Understanding and defining who should and should not be on central campus will be important to making decisions about space use. There is a need to define what the use of central campus should be for, especially as growth occurs. It is obvious there are complex issues involved. A comment was made about incentivizing so that it's more palatable to people.

It was concluded by committee members that you can't do everything for everyone and there will need to be a structure and process in place so that there is a fair process which will allow for justifiable explanation for why something was done.

4. Old Business

A. City/University Fund Committee update

Anderson reported to committee members that Steven Graham received notification last week from the Mayor appointing him as the FS representative to the city's committee. SGA is coordinating a few meetings of FS, USS, and SGA to discuss unified proposals to go forward along with them listed in priority order. If you have any suggestions, questions, or comments regarding the City/University Fund Project committee, send those to Steven. Anderson reported that Facilities got a projected cost for a consultant, which was about \$80,000, to do condition study and an estimate of construction costs for work on Marlatt Barn. Anderson reminded members that proposals have to benefit the City and University, place emphasis on economic and infrastructure development, and not funded for more than three years unless there is sufficient justification. Members discussed previous proposals such as storm water drainage, which will continue to be an issue. Funding that project would definitely benefit both the City and the University. Members spoke briefly about projects that were funded last year from recommended proposals.

B. Other

Discussed Campus Planning and Development Advisory committee and its membership.

5. The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 6, 2014; 3:30 pm; Union room 204

Suggested topics for November meeting:

- Master Plan data with regard to classroom space use. Anderson will invite Loleta Sump to be a guest. What is the objective? Anderson will ask for the data from Dr. Ruth Dyer and the committee should discuss what the priorities are as a campus as we move forward to the future. This conversation will serve as a first step.
- Sue Peterson will come in December. Drew Smith will chair that meeting on Anderson's behalf.