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FACILITIES PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES

April 26, 2012

Members Present: Jon Beal; Diana Brush; Paul Bylaska; Bruce Exley; Deb Fleeger; Marlene Kennedy; David Love; Madeline Robinson; Deb Sobina; Ric Taylor; Chad Thomas

Others Present: Dan Fleming; Jack Hubauer; John Massa; Joyce Overly; Ray Puller; Rein Pold; Steve Selker

- I. Approval of Minutes – A motion was made by Chad Thomas and seconded by Bruce Exley to approve the minutes of March 22, 2012. The minutes were approved as presented.
- II. Additional Agenda Items: No additional agenda items were added.
- III. Old Business

1. Facilities Master Plan – Rein Pold

Last Thursday the selection committee comprised of Yasser Ayad, Jon Beal, Rose Logue, Deb Sobina and Chad Thomas met and narrowed the 12 participants down to 6. The next step will be to contact the six finalists that will be coming to campus to deliver a presentation. A pre-presentation meeting will be held the week of May 7th on campus to layout the format for the finalists. The selection committee will be asked to come up with questions for the finalists. A ratings sheet will be provided to the selection committee for scoring the presentations. The remaining firms will be notified that they were not a finalist.

2. Becht – Ric Taylor

The internal review was finished and the asbestos abatement will start in the fall in September or October. The progress set is being reviewed by the LEED consultant to at least achieve silver LEED. Diana Brush asked about information that she had been given on a new design firm and new plans for Becht Hall. Chad Thomas said that must have been a miscommunication; floor plan for her area have not changed and the design firm remains the same.

3. Tippin – Ric Taylor

Ric Taylor took part along with DGS in the selection process for the professional on the project. Out of 24 submittals, DGS chose three of the four firms that Ric Taylor chose. The timeline for the project is estimated to be 4 – 5 years from start to finish.

4. Venango – Deb Sobina

A second job conference was held on the Nursing SIM lab project. Move out for Montgomery will be mother's day with asbestos abatement beginning on May 14th. A furniture solution has been worked out. The drainage project is now out of the Attorney Generals office. The design piece of the Rhoades project has been signed off on. Deb Sobina reminded the members of the Venango Founders Day celebration going on tonight; a day not just for Venango, but a university celebration.

5. Environmental Subcommittee – Paul Bylaska

The Clarion Green Team is in the process of approving and printing posters to focus on the importance of recycling. An e-mail reminder came out today reminding the committee to reconnect at the start of the fall 2012 semester. The team consists of approximately 12 members who are actively engaged. The team has talked about contacting Chartwells on composting. They are also looking to link with other groups on campus. Joyce Overly spoke about a faculty member that is interested in forming a sustainability living learning community (LLC) and she will keep the committee posted.

6. Apple Sculpture – Chad Thomas

\$2K was shaved off the cost. Shelly Wilson is working on the language for the contract. Chad Thomas will be working with Ric Taylor this summer to get the base poured. The traditions council of Student Senate brought forward the idea of the apple which has significance to the history of the university as a teacher's college.

Bill Bailey spoke about Admissions trying to establish a "signature moment" for students and how the apple sculpture could play a role in that. Jon Beal spoke of his former institution giving apples to the students. Bill Bailey said that Slippery Rock uses a series of rocks starting out rough and in the end becoming highly polished as an example of how students are transformed through education.

7. Work Order System – Ric Taylor

Good feedback was given at the last FPC meeting and some of those ideas have been implemented in the work order system. A handout was given to members on the new generated response the system now has. Generating a work order number was not possible. With the approval of FPC, notification will be sent to the campus community to start using the system. Members discussed dropdown options within the building field. Chad Thomas still has concerns about circumventing the process he has in place for the residence halls.

8. Bell Tower/Becker – Ric Taylor

The professional is hired. Bid documents will be available the second week of June. Ric Taylor commented on related projects of concern at the last FPC meeting. The history of leaking in Keeling has been taken care of and a professional has also been hired for Stevens to identify that problem.

9. Still/Carrier Elevator – Ric Taylor

These projects are on track for June 4th. Dan Fleming has looked into a battery pack system and was able to locate a system that will be added to the Carrier Elevator at an additional cost of \$2K. In the event of a power outage, the system will lower the elevator to the next floor. The Still project which was further ahead could not include the battery pack, but Bruce Johnson will be looking into the emergency generators which the reboot function will take approximately five minutes.

10. Summer Projects – Ric Taylor

The painting project list was approved by FPC and PEC and Human Resources is in the process of hiring the staff. June 25 – August 17th work will be done at Gemmell to replace the concrete bridge. The Still transformer may happen this summer and Rein & Dinah are working on the procurement end. Sidewalks are starting to happen. Rein Pold commented on the severe pitting that has occurred over at Still Hall from previous work that a contractor had done after digging up the area. He said the university may be able to hold the contractor responsible.

Chad Thomas spoke about the Eagle sculpture that will be suspended from the ceiling in the entrance/lobby of Eagle Commons. The sculpture will have lighting directed on it and will be angled to give the illusion of a soaring eagle. It will be 12' from wing tip to wing tip. Mini eagle replicas will be available for donors. The sculpture was initiated through donations from Dr. Karen Whitney and Dr. Peggy Apple. Dan Fleming asked if Labor & Industry would be involved. Chad Thomas responded that the area had been engineered early on with the thoughts that there may be a need and this would just be a continuation of the initial project.

Ric Taylor updated the committee on issues around campus of concern at the last FPC meeting. The “Y” that is missing on the Wood Street signage has been ordered. Planting of flowers has begun today in the flowerbed near Becht Hall. Vinyl slats are being installed in the fencing at Harvey. Diana Brush recognized the efforts of the maintenance staff in fixing the wallpaper in her area.

11. Reinhard Villages Sidewalk – Ric Taylor

A meeting was held with Michael Keefer. It was noted that with the recent changes in the borough structure that it would not be advisable to submit something to PennDOT at this time

12. Grunenwald Center – Ric Taylor

In the GIS lab the university will look to install an independent air conditioner. Currently estimates are being compiled and then funding will be looked at. Steve Selker said that they are replacing all the computers in that room and if the timing was right this could be done when those computers were removed. Dan Fleming added that the system will be the same as what is in Still Hall and he will keep everyone in the loop as to the timing.

Paul Bylaska said that several names were adopted early on for the science building and an effort will now be made to acknowledge it for its correct name as the Grunenwald Center.

IV. New Business

1. Utility Shutdown – Ric Taylor

The steam shutdown will run May 14th through May 31st. Some buildings will be affected with the lack of heat. The upper floors of Still Hall and the Rec Center will be without air conditioning. Spirax Sarco surveyed 297 steam traps and found 23 of them to be faulty. It was determined that \$30K/year was being lost on steam traps. Jack Hubauer explained that as steam goes through the system it loses power and goes to water, the traps remove the water out and leave the steam in. Doing this in-house there will be a four month payback; realizing the majority of the savings in labor costs.

The electric shutdown will be on May 19th. Still Hall will have a generator and all other buildings will be on emergency lighting only. Both sides of the system will be down.

Rein Pold commented that the natural gas in March has been the lowest he has seen in his 10 years here.

2. Starbucks Patio – Ric Taylor

Ric Taylor said the Paul Bylaska came up with the idea of a patio on the 9th street side of Starbucks. A concrete patio will be constructed with have umbrella tables as an outside area for students and staff to gather. This will be done over the summer.

Dan Fleming said that M&B Concrete is willing to come train our staff on how to color and stamp concrete. Chad Thomas questioned prior concerns with salt getting in the cracks of stamped concrete and the affects. Dan Fleming said that they will need to keep the concrete sealed, but that area should not have a lot of salt anyway.

3. Bus Service – Paul Bylaska

A meeting was held Tuesday evening on campus regarding bus transportation. Members from the Area Transportation Authority, the university, student representatives and the Clarion Student Association were present to respond. Student Senate shared a survey that had been done with students. Paul Bylaska said the meeting was positive and they have agreed to two meetings a year on bus transportation. The first meeting will be held in September in conjunction with the student senate meeting. Rein Pold said that he was impressed by how active the students are. He said their major concern was to have an additional bus in the early morning hours and the late hours on the weekends for events. ATA was receptive to looking into this. The cost of the bus is \$200K and \$91K is paid by a federal grant. The bus is dependent on ridership. Madeline Robinson said that she felt ridership is not a problem and in some cases the bus is over packed and an adjustment to run more buses at needed times would help.

4. Trustees' Facilities Tour – Paul Bylaska

Every year a tour of the facilities is required by PASSHE. The tour will be a walking/riding tour. There will be 2 -3 stops and 10 buildings that may be toured.

The Trustees' Facilities committee will tour along with university staff and members of FPC are invited to attend. A date will be forthcoming.

The meeting adjourned at 4:08 p.m. **The next meeting of the Facilities Planning Committee will be held on May 24, 2012.**