MEETING NOTES OF THE  
UNIVERSITY FACILITIES PLANNING BOARD  
July 16, 2013

Members Present: Walt Banziger - Vice Chair, Linda LaCrone for Anne Camper, Chris Fastnow, Bob Lashaway for Terry Leist, Ritchie Boyd for Martha Potvin, Tom Stump, Julie Tatarka, Jim Thull, Brenda York

Proxy: Nancy Cornwell and Kurt Blunck carried by Walt Banziger, Jeff Butler carried by Bob Lashaway, Cara Thuringer carried by Lindsey Klino

Members Absent: Allyson Brekke, Michael Everts, Greg Gilpin, Mandy Hansen, Jeff Jacobsen, Robert Marley, Fatih Rifki

Guests: Mary Bolick, Victoria Drummond, Duane Morris, Darryl Curfman, Shelley McKamey, Billy Dubois

The University Facilities Planning Board met beginning at 3:30 pm to discuss the following:

ITEM No. 1 – Approval of Meeting Notes
No notes were approved.

ITEM No. 2 – Executive Committee Report
On August 30, 2011 the UFPB unanimously approved recommending the use of the Academic Building R&R Fund and by Referendum ASMSU also approved the expenditure for the Wilson Hall Writing Center Project (PPA# 11-0065). On November 17, 2011 the BOR approved allocating up to $300,000 Academic Building R&R. Early in the project, it appeared $290,000 from the Academic Building R&R Fund would be sufficient due to additional funding from other sources. However, the costs exceeded the budget and the UFPB Executive Committee unanimously approved $4,085.55 from the Academic Building R&R Fund – still within the BOR approval not to exceed $300,000. The additional funds will allow FPDC to close out the completed Wilson Writing Center Project.

ITEM No. 3 – Informational – Rooftop Fall Protection
Darryl Curfman presented an overview of the rooftop fall protection project. There is a limited funding source and some areas were chosen where rooftop fall protection seemed to be required. Facilities Services will add safety rails to sections of Hannon Hall, Hapner Hall, Peter Koch Tower, Nelson Story Tower, and Swingle Health Center. When accessing equipment on the roof people are near the edge of the rooftop. Typical guidelines are to maintain a railing or some kind of fall protection up to 3’ 6.” The railings will be black and have very low visual impact due to the height of the buildings. They will be mounted so they don’t mess with the décor of the buildings. Lashaway added that this is funded by a Safety$mart Grant. Fastnow questioned if there were other places on campus where safety is concerned that doesn’t have funding and Lashway replied that there are and about half a dozen per year are being done.

ITEM No. 4 – Recommendation – Track and Field Press Box Wrap
Duane Morris presented an overview of the Track and Field press box wrap. Athletic Director Peter Fields and Coach Dale Kennedy would like to add something to the back of it. It will add life to the back of the press box and allow some recognition. York questioned if it will be updated over time and Morris replied it probably won’t be updated regularly, but may be ten years later. Boyd questioned if the life span is that long and Morris replied it is to his knowledge. It is designed with a protective laminate over the top to withstand that long. Stump moved to approve the press box wrap. Fastnow seconded the Motion. The vote:

Yes: 16
No: 0

ITEM No. 5 – Recommendation – Removal of Taylor Hall’s Exterior Fire Escape
Victoria Drummond presented an overview of the removal of Taylor Hall’s exterior fire escape. It’s a wooden fire escape that leads from the 4th floor down to the adjacent rooftop. Fire sprinklers were installed throughout the building, so the fire escape is no longer required according to the university and city fire marshals. They would like to remove it this summer so it doesn’t fall into the category to have another structural evaluation. This recommendation will be included in a letter that will go to the State Historic Preservation Office about the removal since it is a Heritage building candidate. Darryl Curfman questioned if it will be refinished and Drummond replied that Work Control will patch the building where the fire escape was attached.
ITEM No. 6 – Recommendation – ASMSU Lois Shunk Day Care Facility Storage Unit
Victoria Drummond presented an overview of the ASMSU Lois Shunk Day Care Facility storage unit. The building was installed approximately two years ago. It went through the process of Work Control, but did not go through UFPB. Work Control received the item July 27, 2011 and they thought they went through the appropriate process. A concrete pad was installed for its location and it was painted to match the day care facility last year. It is currently in use so it is needed. Mary Bolick commented about needing the outdoor storage unit because things were on wire racks and safety was a concern with the height of things. Lashaway commented that they recognize that it is in the residential area and not near academic buildings. They are not setting a precedent for the core of campus. Lashaway moved to approve that the storage unit remain in its location with the caveat that it’s not setting a precedent that these are acceptable for the academic core of campus. Stump seconded the Motion.
The vote:
Yes:  16
No:   0

ITEM No. 7 – Recommendation – Approval of Site for The Lift Tower Project Sculpture
Victoria Drummond gave a brief introduction on The Lift Tower Project sculpture. The MSU student and artist Rob Rodgers has come before the board several times and had the sculpture approved. Now a site is needed. Candace Mastel, members of the Public Art Committee, SOA faculty and the artist evaluated three sites. Candace Mastel then presented an overview of the sites for the Tower Project sculpture. They chose the sites based on criteria from the artist and Facilities Planning. They looked at the Master Plan for sites that were accepting of the sculpture. Three sites were chosen that offered the sculpture the most dynamic exposure: the southwest corner of the Hannon Hall lawn, the Romney green space south of Traphagen Hall, and the green space east of Haynes Hall. The Hannon Hall lawn was an ideal location because of its exposure to Malone Centennial Mall. However, the sculpture would be looking into the parking lot. The Romney green space location may have interruptions of potential sidewalks and layouts and it has significant utilities underground. The space near Haynes Hall has great visual exposure, is near the Creative Arts Complex, and is an underused space. The Arc Flight sculpture is nearby, but would be moved to the green space near the entrance of Haynes Hall. The Tower Project sculpture would be located between trees near the current location of Arc Flight. Stump questioned if a sidewalk would lead up to it and Mastel replied that there won’t be a sidewalk. It will have woodchips or other soft material around it. The sculpture can get wet so it’s up to Facilities to make the modification to irrigation or not. Drummond commented that there isn’t a source of funding through the Public Art Committee. Moving Arc Flight and installation and maintenance of The Lift Tower Project will be paid through major maintenance. She added that Butler has some concerns about this because the amount of money is unknown. Stump questioned if a discussion should happen about setting money aside for some of this at the university level versus Facilities Services. Lashaway commented it would be good for the university to recognize that when a piece is accepted there is a cost to that acceptance. Having a way to address installation costs is something that should be worked on. Stump moved to approve the site for The Lift Tower Project sculpture and the relocation of the Arc Flight sculpture. Thull seconded the Motion.
The vote:
Yes:  16
No:   0

ITEM No. 8 – Recommendation – Museum of the Rockies – New Collections Storage Facility
Walt Banziger presented an overview of the new collections storage facility for the Museum of the Rockies. They have identified the need to expand their collections storage facility in order to maintain accreditation. The building will be approximately 12,000 sf and is estimated to be $1-1.2 million. It will be located on the southwest corner of the existing building near the loading dock and service drive, which is off of South 7th Avenue. It will be two stories with 6,000 sf on each floor and have access from the lower level, loading dock and service area. It will be climate controlled, have security, and be connected to the existing structure to allow transportation of artifacts between the buildings. The consultant firm should be appointed by August/early September. The design will brought to UFPB for approval and then will go to the Board of Regents for approval for construction in March 2014. It will be constructed in summer or fall 2014. It is privately funded by the Museum of the Rockies Board of Trustees. Museum of the Rockies Director Shelley McKamey commented that the Museum of the Rockies has been a part of MSU since 1957 and 85% of the funding comes from the Board of Trustees. Part of the
museum grounds is owned by the state and part is privately owned by the Board of Trustees. Funding for the project will come from reserves. The facility will satisfy current needs, and be designed with the intent to expand. It will not have a basement level. It will be the same level as the garage to the loading dock. Boyd questioned what the façade will be and Banziger replied there is some flexibility because it is behind the building and it will be left up to expertise of the architect. It will be some sort of steel structure that can be built quickly and cost effectively with an appropriate skin. Design and landscaping will be brought back to UFPB for approval. Lashaway moved to approve the new collections storage facility. Stump seconded the Motion.

The vote:
  Yes: 16
  No: 0

**ITEM No. 9 – Recommendation – Academic Building R&R Funds Request – Cheever Hall 215 Classroom Renovation**

Walt Banziger presented an overview of the Academic Building R&R Funds request to renovate Cheever Hall Room 215. This classroom is noted as one of the top three large tiered classrooms in need of a renovation. The current seating is beginning to break and parts are no longer available. The request is to fully renovate the classroom and not just replace the seating. There isn’t funding yet to renovate the room full scale. Potential funding sources for construction are Academic Building R&R funds, Provost funds, EFAC funds, and possibly putting in an investment proposal in at the next cycle. The program design and estimate are needed first. Ballpark cost, without design, is $400,000-$500,000. The request is to approve up to $75,000 to hire a design consultant and begin the design process. The design should be ready October/November for investment proposals. Fastnow commented that there aren’t plans do another round of investment proposals this upcoming year. York questioned what would happen if it didn’t get funding and Banziger replied that the design would be tabled and go forward the following year. York moved to approve use of the Academic Building R&R Funds for design. Boyd seconded the Motion.

The vote:
  Yes: 16
  No: 0

This meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

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