MEETING NOTES OF THE  
UNIVERSITY FACILITIES PLANNING BOARD  
December 2, 2014

Members Present: Nancy Cornwell - Chair, Walt Banziger - Vice Chair, Jeff Butler, Michael Everts, Neil Jorgensen, Fatih Rifki, Brenda York, Greg Gilpin, Kurt Blunck, Jim Thull, Tom Stump, David Single

Proxy: Victoria Drummond for Linda LaCrone, Julie Tatarka, Allyson Brekke and Chris Fastnow; Walt Banziger for Bob Lashaway

Members Absent: Brett Gunnink, Chris Kearns, Shad Cristando, Charles Boyer

Staff & Guests: Bill Clinton, EJ Hook, Sam Des Jardins, Candace Mastel, Darryl Curfman, Tony Campeau, Galen Brokaw, Reed Simonson, Steve Erickson, Randy Stephens, Jillian Bertelli, David Singel

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

ITEM No. 1 – Approval of Meeting Notes
Draft notes from November 18, 2014 to be distributed before next meeting. There will not be a meeting on December 16, 2014, based on the end of the semester and Commencement and there are no pressing agenda items.

Jim Thull announced that he will be on sabbatical for Spring 2015 and Sara Mannheimer will be his proxy for the semester.

ITEM No. 2 – Executive Committee Report
Banziger presented the Executive Committee decision for the Furniture Order for Cheever DSEL Lab Space. The College of Arts and Architecture will utilize the existing space (DSEL Lab), as is, with the newly purchased furniture. The requested changes at this time do not include architectural, mechanical or electrical modifications. Any architectural, mechanical, and or electrical modifications necessary or desired by the College of Arts & Architecture will be done at a later date. The expedited order was necessary to accommodate class scheduling of the space for the Spring 2015.

Campeau asked if this is space that can be scheduled or reserved for classes with the Registrar's office. Cornwell responded that this is partially an instructional space and partially a collision space. The Director of DSEL will be in charge of scheduling the space.

ITEM No. 3 – Consent Agenda – No Items

The agenda was reorganized in the following order:

ITEM No. 4 – Recommendation - Modern Languages Bamboo Wall Rack
Candace Mastel presented the request from the Modern Language Department to install a bamboo wall rack in their hallway of Gaines Hall. The rack has nine slots for standard letter sized paper and they would use it to place brochures, Handouts, and class information for students. The rack would be installed on the ground face block wall across from the department office, next to the bulletin board and matches some of the finishes throughout the hallways in Gaines. The bamboo wall rack measures 28 inches wide by 40 inches tall by 2.5 inches deep, and will be at a height that meets ADA and fire safety regulations.

Blunk moved to approve. Thull seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote:
Yes: 18
No: 0

ITEM No. 5 – Recommendation - CAC Collision Spaces Design – Cheever, VisCom, and Howard
Jillian Bertelli presented the proposed design for the Creative Arts Complex (CAC) and Visual Communications Collision Spaces. In the Visual Communications (VisCom) Building the public spaces of the south entry and the lower gathering space have outdated furnishings; the proposal is to update the furnishings in both spaces. There are
additional improvements to this space by providing a gallery art wall, which requires the demolition of the hand rail and replacing it with a gypsum wall. This will provide an opportunity to place electrical outlets on the wall for lighting to highlight photography. The furniture will be purchased on the state contract, and includes chairs made from recycled coke bottles, and coffee tables made from recycled polyethylene. Thull asked for clarification of wall replacing hand rail; the hand rail currently separates the upper level from the lower level. Drummond asked if the gallery wall will be used for student art, and Cornwell responded that it will be rotating student art from courses.

At Howard Hall the large public space at the entry of the building, it is proposed to get new furniture, including seating, coffee tables, and cafe tables which are adjustable in height. Most of this furniture is also being used or tested in other locations on campus, in places such as Cheever Hall and the Library. This furniture is durable and environmentally responsible, and there are also fabrics available with Nano-Tex coatings that prevent stains.

On the second floor of Cheever Hall will use furniture from the architecture design build class led by Bill Clinton, including a coffee table and a bar-height attachment to the handrail, which does meet ADA guidelines for accessibility. There will also be some refurbished furniture from the Cheever “fish bowl” (the space becoming DSEL) which now have “Idea Paint” that can be used with dry erase pens.

Stump moved to approve. Blunck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote:
Yes: 18
No: 0

ITEM No. 6 – Recommendation - Design Sandbox for Engaged Learning (DSEL)
Randy Stephens presented the proposal for the Design Sandbox for Engaged Learning (DSEL) space on the first floor of Cheever Hall (room 102). This is an inter-disciplinary co-lab space primarily used to bring different disciplines across campus to apply design thinking to solve problems. There are courses that proposed to use this space, including the Honors College, Agriculture, Business, Design and Engineering. The space will be branded with identity and the colors that will be used are orange and cool gray. Cornwell added that this space will remain open at all times and that the connecting room 125 will also be part of DSEL, used to secure high end materials and technology and have some work space.

The furniture will be flexible for multiple configurations, and the rolling cabinets are lockable and can fit into the locked space when needed. The path through the space will remain as an exit, though the doors can be closed but not locked while the space is being used. Clinton added that the design includes a movable panel that can slide back and forth along the pathway, which would help separate the path from classes that are taking place in the space. Banziger noted that the panel cannot encroach on the exit pathway so there needs to be some way to limit the movement. York clarified that there would need to be turn ratios for wheelchairs and ADA accessibility. Rifki added that the classroom configurations should reflect the accessibility to the exit; it was suggested that the color of the carpet could indicate the pathway and the space needed for the exit.

Drummond asked for clarification on whether room 125 is changing its function to storage; Cornwell responded that it would become partially a work space for students, with some conference-style meeting space, and be lockable for secure storage of rolling cabinets and high end technology.

York moved to approve the design concept of the DSEL, pending approval from Space Management Committee of a classroom being converted to storage*. Blunck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote:
Yes: 18
No: 0

*Note: Have clarified that room 125 would still function as instructional space with some storage.

ITEM No. 7 –Informational - Norm Asbjornson Innovation Center Update
Walt Banziger presented an update on the Norm Asbjornson Innovation Center (NAIC). Currently the Design Team is working on the programming elements of the project and figuring out on who and what goes into the building (classrooms, labs, storage, offices, etc.). The Design Team has now been given good direction on this, the parking
solution, and ideas for the presentation hall. There are several committees, work groups, and a lot of people involved in this project. The parking solution is likely going to be a parking structure, which may have 400-600 spaces and will be a multi-modal transportation hub. The focus of the project includes walkable streets, an urban setting, entry to campus, and limited vehicular circulation. Based on the financing model, the original schedule is likely to change and is currently being worked on. The contractor will be determined in December, the next Integrated Design Event (IDE) is in January, and there will be a LEED charrette in February. Some of the ideas that will be incorporated into the building will be freshman design labs, multi-disciplinary labs, capstone spaces, shop space, and rapid prototyping space. The Design Team would also like to incorporate high-end labs, alternative energy labs, robotics, student project storage, collaborative space, classrooms, computer design lab, office space, and material science lab.

Jorgensen asked how the space between the parking structure and the addition to the Marga Hosaeus Fitness Center is being addressed; Banziger responded that it is being addressed between the designs of both projects.

ITEM No. 9 – Informational - Update on Relocation EHHD Performance Labs
Darryl Curfman presented an update of the relocation of the EHHD Performance Labs, which is to make the addition to the Marga Hosaeus Fitness Center on the north east corner of the building instead of the south east corner of the building. This would be the same footprint and would have several advantages, including a better entry and visibility, better access to the Fitness Center, and it may align well with the development of the NAIC site. The main challenge with this location is that the service drive for Romney will need to be relocated. There is some discussion of consolidating service drives with AJM Johnson.

Banziger added having the addition on the north side of the Fitness Center continues the urban theme on Grant St. Relocating the service drive next to Romney on the north side of Grant St. may mean also relocating Veteran’s Park, which would become part of the Romney Renovation project. Banziger clarified that the EHHD relocation is funded by the Romney Renovation project, and if that project does not get funded nothing will need to be relocated. York stated that as part of this design, the relocation and design of Veteran’s Park needs to be considered, and she needs to be involved in this.

ITEM No. 8 – Informational - Chalking on Sidewalks
This item will be discussed at a future UFPB meeting.

This meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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