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**UNIVERSITY BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
17 February 2012**

Attendance:

Voting Members:

Matt Rizki, CECS

Linda Ramey, CEHS and Chair of Sustainability

Members:

Jeff Trick, Director, Physical Plant

Mary Clem, Assistant Director, Client Services, CaTS

Mary Holland, Associate Registrar Registrar's Office

Dave Bukovinsky, PAAC Chair/RSCOB

Guests:

Robert Sweeney, Executive Vice President for Planning Secretary to Board of Trustees Professor

Mark Mamrack, COSM

Kym Seller, CSAC

Vickie Slone, CSAC

Call to Order

The meeting commenced at 10 AM.

Discussion Topics

1. plans to improve campus signage and branding
2. capital building plan
3. water main upgrades

Campus Signage and Branding

Dr. Robert Sweeney presented an overview of issues related to campus signage. He noted that the current signage is not suitable for first time visitors to campus. He described the need for good quality maps in standard formats located on University websites. He also discussed the need for standard layouts for signage, consistent use of signage and appropriate outside, inside and tunnel signage. He also mentioned that signage could be part of larger effort at "branding" the University.

The UBGC asked if there was a plan to include way finding applications for mobile devices that might utilize GPS as part of this effort. Dr. Sweeney indicated that this would be included in the plan.

The UBGC noted that use of signage designed to brand the campus that includes photographic elements can look dated very quickly. The committee suggested that signage with visual elements be designed to be updated on a regular basis. Dr. Sweeney noted the price of signage incorporating visual elements has become more affordable. The committee asked if there is a budget for improving signage and would this be viewed as an ongoing expense. Dr. Sweeney indicated that there is currently \$36K available to begin improving signage and additional funds would be allocated to maintain appropriate signage.

The UBGC asked if there is timetable for this project. Dr. Sweeney indicated that the target date for producing a signage plan is May 2013.

Six Year Capital Building Plan

Dr. Sweeney reviewed the current state of the six year capital building plan. He also outlined the anticipated funding sources (bond, local, gift, State) for each project. The projects discussed included the Creative Arts Center renovation, the new classroom building, the Student Union enrollment services upgrade and various classroom upgrade projects. Dr. Sweeney noted that the spreadsheet he provided at the meeting showing the six year capital plan was out-of-date and that he would send a revised capital plan after meeting with the Board of Trustees. See Attachment A for revised table showing the capital plan for current projects

The UBGC asked Dr. Sweeney about the status of the new classroom building. He explained that the administration is still working on programming the building. The decision as to whether the building would contain only classrooms or a combination of classrooms and student success services was still under discussion. He also noted that final mix of student services that move into the classroom building would impact other projects. The UBGC asked if the final site of the building had been identified. He indicated that two sites (next to Millett Hall or next to University Hall) were still under consideration.

Dr. Sweeney also mentioned that the University had acquired four of the five acres associated with the Campus Ministry. The Archdiocese would retain control of the one acre where the ministry building is located. As part of this agreement the University would place some type of student oriented facility in this area. A member of the UBGC asked about revitalizing the Garden of the Senses and also discussed the possibility of developing some community garden space. The hillside next to the swimming pool was mentioned as a potential site for an initial community flower garden.

Campus Water Main Replacement

Mr. Jeff Trick reported on the status of the waterline replacement project. He noted that the project was on schedule. He also provided a map showing a timetable for shutting down specific building to tie them into the new water main. He noted that the schedule was subject to change because it was based on the ability to successfully isolate building by shutting off their old water line and connecting them to the new line. The problem is the existing lines and valves are 40+ years old when physical plant shuts off lines, the valves may not operate or even break. If this occurs they will be forced to move farther down the line and shutoff other buildings. The UBGC ask for a tentative schedule for the shutdown (see Attachment B).

Adjourned

The meeting ended at 11:30 AM.

Attachment A

WSU Capital Projects Funding Summary

As of December 2011:				
Project:	Proposed Funding Source			
	Bond	Gift	State	Total
Enrollment Center	\$1.5M	\$0	\$0	\$1.5M
Classroom Building	11.1M	0	0	11.1M
Neuroscience Building	17M	5M	0	22M
CAC	8M	5M	8M	21M
University Park	7.3M	0	0	7.3M
Rinzler Pavilion	4.4M	1M	0	5.4M
Schuster Concert Hall	3.3M	1M	0	4.3M
Lot 4A Expansion	555K	0	0	555K
Church Property	350K	0	0	350K
Nutter Center Scoreboard	1.7M	0	0	1.7M
Water System	3M	0	0	3M
Other Available	95K	0	0	95K
Total	\$58.3M	\$12M	\$8M	\$78.3M

As of February 10, 2012:				
Project:	Proposed Funding Source			
	Bond	Gift	State	Total
Enrollment Center	\$2.15M	\$0	\$0	\$2.15M
Classroom Building	11.1M	0	0	11.1M
Neurosci.-Engr Collaboration	15M	10M	12M	37M
CAC	16M	5M	0	21M
University Park	0	0	0	0
Rinzler Pavilion	4.4M	1M	0	5.4M
Schuster Concert Hall	3.3M	1M	0	4.3M
Lot 4A Expansion	555K	0	0	555K
Church Property	350K	0	0	350K
Nutter Center Scoreboard	1.7M	0	0	1.7M
Water System	3M	0	0	3M
Total	\$57.555M	\$17M	\$12M	\$86.555M

The conversation about the classroom building includes a discussion of incorporating Student Success initiatives into that space; including the relocation of University College. Moving University College provides the necessary growth space for the College of Nursing and Health.

Building on the recent improvements in merchandizing the Student Union, we will be making recommendations for changes/improvements in campus signage including street signs, the tunnels, building entryways and the remainder of the Student Union. Two important considerations will be renaming the Medical Sciences building and Mathematics and Microbiology building.

**Attachment B
WSU Water Main Replacement
(Water Service Shutdowns Phase I)**

WSU is currently in the process of replacing most of the underground domestic water piping system on campus. To date 12,500 linear feet of pipe have been installed, however pipes are not connected to buildings on the upper part of campus. The process of connecting building begins during Spring break (March 16 through March 24). After a building has been connected a boil advisory will be in place for that building until further notice.

- Isolation of buildings and shutdowns may not be achievable – we won't know until we try, but the buildings we have listed above stand the best chance of being isolated individually
- There is always the possibility of a valve break and wider shutdown/outage during the shutdown procedure
- After each of these buildings is tied in, they may be able to be back fed from Fairborn water; i.e. they may not be affected by future shutdowns, even when we have to shut the WSU water plant off to tie it to the new system
- The goal will be to isolate the Nutter Center service

