

Physical Environment Committee Minutes

February 1, 2012
9:00am – 10:00am
Lincoln Building Conference Room

MEETING CALLED BY	Ted Curtis and Harvey Sterns
TYPE OF MEETING	UC Committee
FACILITATOR	Ted Curtis
NOTES SUBMITTED BY:	Shelly Keller
ABSENT	Martin Belsky Eric Elmond Alex Toomey
ATTENDEES	Kim Calvo Ted Curtis Garrett Dowd Ann Hassenpflug Julie Hykes Shelly Keller Chuck Kunsman Harvey Sterns Shawn Stevens Chris Tankersley

Agenda topics

NEXT PROPOSED MEETING

TED CURTIS

DISCUSSION	The Committee decided it wanted to set the next meeting now to get it on the calendar and everyone could plan accordingly.
CONCLUSIONS	The next meeting will be February 29, 2011 from 9:15am to 10:15am. Shelly will send out meeting invites as soon as she returns to the office.

TERM LIMITS

SHELLY KELLER

DISCUSSION	Many committee members have been contacted as to what their term limits are for our committee.	
Shelly advised students all have a one year term, everyone else for this first go around will have a 1, 2 or 3 year term.		
Once this is up and running and new members are voted in, all terms will be 3 years.		
CONCLUSIONS	Compile a list of term limits at next meeting.	
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Check with your nominating group, report term limits if known to Shelly.Harvey will try to get some insight on this at the next UC meeting.		Shelly Keller Harvey Sterns

CAPITAL REQUEST SCENARIO

TED CURTIS

DISCUSSION	
	Ted presented informational items to the committee, which he presented to the Board of Trustees on January 18, 2012. Items discussed were the following: See Attachment A 2-1-12 for details, discussions are below.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auburn West Tower Rehabilitation Phase I, II, III West Tower FF&E (Furniture, Fixtures and Accessories) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Estimated this building was built somewhere between 1965 to 1970. Stainless steel bolts and plates were installed approximately 18-20 years ago to re-anchor pre-cast concrete. Bids were 15% under estimate.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goodyear Polymer 6th Floor Office and Lab Renovations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This project was driven by the hiring of a very talented professor from Wisconsin and was completed during Christmas Break.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knight Chemical Labs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doors and cupboards had splits in the wood and paint was needed on walls. All completed during Christmas Break.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grounds Building Demo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grounds Department moved to the Wonder Bread Facility. All Grounds equipment is now housed indoors. UAPD and Communications uses storage space as well.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wolf Ledges Engineering <ul style="list-style-type: none"> UA met deadline to move in. Nine month construction time. Timken and Department of Defense are on board. Only about 2,000 sq ft not spoken for. Received the go ahead to begin construction for the 10,000 sq ft. addition.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grant Street Residence Hall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Due to the weather we are 3 ½ months ahead of schedule on exterior face brick. Tentatively slated for occupancy in August, possibly June or July. 535 additional beds.

ITEMS DISCUSSED BY OUR COMMITTEE AT THIS MEETING

GROUP DISCUSSION

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed planning a group tour to help the committee members get familiar with buildings on campus.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bring back a "Rate your Teaching Environment" – this will help prioritize areas of need.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Polymer Bldg – Will be built in phases, money for entire project will not all come in at once. Will retain Lot 27 for original site. Possible ideas to move Schrank North and South, Ayer, Crouse and Knight Chemical to current Polymer Building.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Another idea is to demo Schrank North and South and leave the parking structure to expand green area. Students are requesting additional green areas and new tennis courts. Could move or demo older buildings that aren't doing well, this will lower deferred maintenance costs.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013-2014 Capital Request includes 20-22 million dollar renovation for Zook and improvements to Buchtel Commons. Zook's remodel would mirror that of Leigh Hall's. If Capital Bill is approved this summer it is possible construction will start next summer. Capital money is now not determined by Board of Regents, the government lets the Presidents fight over it. Gordon Gee (OSU) is heading this and our Provost is working with him. Question – Is it cheaper to renovate than to rebuild. Answer -There are historic things to consider and it is advised we don't disrupt "the bookends" to Buchtel Hall. Many agree with this. Ann noted some of the needs in this building are windows, meeting spaces, classrooms, need for private offices for confidential items and discussions.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Possibility that Central Hower will become UA's property. "Front yard" to Central Hower is a city park.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Buchtel Commons changes are more for safety than aesthetics. Addition of a people mover of some type is in the talks. This would be a tram type vehicle.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corbin Commons – surface is deteriorating, bricks used are now not available and better lighting is needed for safety.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Calendar/Scheduling System Campus Wide – 25 Live – being used in numerous departments on campus, that deal with events, has not yet been implemented to the entire campus. Driven by the Provost.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gravel area where Grounds Bldg was will be used for surface parking and for Roo Buses. In the future parking/parking deck could be added to the bank of the RR tracks behind Physical Facilities.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Radiator Rich has been a helpful friend to the University. He received realtor calls and notified UA . There is a good chance someday an agreement could be worked out between him and UA.

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ted will bring "People Mover" Pictures to the next meeting.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Invite Jim Haskell to present his proper use of space study.		