

Physical Environment Committee Minutes

March 21, 2012
9:00am – 10:00am

Lincoln Building Conference Room

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| 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 Chris Tankersley Alex Toomey |
| ATTENDEES | Kim Calvo Ted Curtis Garrett Dowd Ann Hassenpflug Julie Hykes Shelly Keller Chuck Kunsman Harvey Sterns Shawn Stevens |

Agenda topics

NEXT PROPOSED MEETING

SHELLY KELLER

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| 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 April 11, 2011 from 9:00am to 10:00am. Shelly will send out meeting invites as soon as she returns to the office. |

EXPLANATION OF OPERATIONS

TED CURTIS

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| DISCUSSION | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ted explained that people wonder what is happening with regards to the building side of things. He explained that whenever money comes in every year, we pay down our bonds. (part general funds, auxiliary and mostly tuition) The 16 mil we are looking at receiving for Zook Hall will come from Capital money from the state of Ohio, taxpayer contributions. UA will look at one project at a time, not five at a time, we will set priorities. Due to politics this list does get jockeyed around every now and again. Operations has to continue once building is built – cleaning, utilities, heat and air. We can't use capital monies for auxiliary units. We are comparable to Cleveland State, Ohio State charges more. |
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PARKING

HARVEY STERNS

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| DISCUSSION | Harvey explained how the old Parking Committee worked and how on many topics they weren't always in agreement with rather just sort of told, what they were going to do. If we have assigned spots what does that do when there are special events at the Rec Ctr and EJ Thomas and they need those assigned spots for those events. It was agreed everyone would like to park right outside our front doors. | |
| The students have made it very clear through surveys, they don't mind parking and walking as long as they have a spot rather than the search and destroy method. 65% of our traffic through campus goes to our North Deck. The tram/Roo Express would help disperse people. The group also mentioned how some of the Roo Express routes look empty. Polsky and Student Union routes seem to be the fullest, other routes look empty. Roo buses do operate into neighborhoods in the south. It was decided by our group to invite Jared Coleman, Director of Parking Services, to our next meeting to see what his philosophies are with Parking and his newly acquired position. | | |
| ACTION ITEMS | PERSON RESPONSIBLE | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extend invitation to Jared Coleman | Shelly Keller | |

ITEMS DISCUSSED BY OUR COMMITTEE AT THIS MEETING

GROUP DISCUSSION

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ted showed the group the latest designs for the Greenleaf Property/Open Green space. Serpentine type design with trees and brick wall around perimeter to invite guests to congregate on either side of the walls. | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shawn advised the committee about the Accessibility Working Committee Survey. This survey will help the committee gain a better feel for the perceptions and attitudes on campus with regards to accessibility. Things have improved greatly over the last 10 years in this area, still a very eye opening experience to get this feedback. There is a survey for both faculty/staff and students. | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kim Calvo asked where we were with Safety on campus, patrols, lighting and crime. UA did collaborate with UPA to hire a private company to help patrol the neighborhoods south of Exchange and east of Route 8. | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kim Calvo mentioned that we know we have shortfalls in our classroom scheduling; past problems have been not enough rooms. R25 old system, upgrading that version now. Registrar is using it. There are too many different schedules; some don't follow UA's scheduled time frames. Departmental "ownership" of rooms a big problem as well, no sharing. | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Empty bed rumor for the new Grant Dorm is not true. Spaces previously converted for additional bed space in other dorms will be returned to original usage. Demand will be there. | | |
| ACTION ITEMS | PERSON RESPONSIBLE | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will send Accessibility Working Committee Survey to the Physical Environment Committee to share with colleagues in their areas and departments. | Shawn Stevens | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invite Chief or Weber to a future meeting to discuss Safety. | Shelly Keller | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> May want to call in a classroom scheduler to a future meeting, to discuss problem. | Shelly Keller | |