

CAPITAL ASSET TASK FORCE (CATF)

MINUTES FROM THE 1/13/09 MEETING

The CATF held its second meeting on Tuesday, January 13, 2009 from 8:15 -10:00 AM in the Whitmore Board Room. The task force approved the minutes from the 12/08 meeting.

Campus Planning Director, Jim Cahill, provided an overview of the Comprehensive Science and Engineering Study from Wilson Architects. His presentation included handouts that contained a summary update, the planning principles that guided the study, efforts at identifying collaborative research goals, and Wilson's assessment of current buildings and space needs.

Vice Chancellor, Paul Kostecki, provided a series of handouts that detailed the assessment of faculty responses to requests for collaborative research initiatives. The assessment about proposed "research clusters" was part of the information provided to Wilson Architects for the New Science Building (NSB) in addition to the architects' campus interviews.

Vice Chancellor Kostecki also provided information that would "build a case for getting the legislature to release some funds for a Life Sciences Research Facility (LSRF) " to be constructed concurrently with the NSB. The intent of this effort is to provide a "shell," or a building wherein the fundamental construction was complete but where the interior could be finished out as research and grant opportunities arise.

Copies of the 12/08 minutes and all handouts at the 1/13/09 meeting are available in the Faculty Senate Office.