

CAMPUS PHYSICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE (CPPC)
OCTOBER 11, 2007

Present: Jack Ahern
Bishoff, Annaliese
Beausoleil, Joshua
Cahill, Jim
Daly, Pat
Harvey, Bryan
Levin, Robert
May, Ernest
Michaud, Ron
Rideout, Roger

1. **Roger Rideout, Chair called the meeting to order at 2:30 pm.**
Josh was a student representative last year and will be representing us for this year.
2. **Minutes of the Meeting of September 17th were approved.**
3. **Announcement from Pat Daly, Director of Physical Plant:**
Pat met with the police and Joyce regarding people that are being ticketed for driving in unauthorized areas. A map is being drafted for vendors. Pat will be sending out a memo along with posters showing the unauthorized areas.

Questions from Committee:

Joe Larson: Can vendors have access to buildings?

Pat Daly: Yes. They will need to go to the police and the police will be observing those vendors.

Roger Rideout: Is the Art Building on schedule?

Jim Cahill: The Art Building and Skinner are on schedule and should be completed the early part of January.

4. **Announcement from Jim Cahill, Director for Facilities & Campus Planning:**
The Governor's capital request is expected to be \$1B for the University system which should result in \$500M for the Amherst Campus. We re expecting \$290M over the next five years from state funding. This state appropriation along with campus funds (\$11M/year) and additional borrowing will make up the next Capital Program which could total \$400M - \$500M over the next five years.

Related items:

We are working on an update of the 1993 Master Plan. This is required by the BOT.

CLIP: We are working with the Physical Plant to develop an ongoing program to maintain the campus landscape. Carol Johnson, landscape architecture firm is working with us.

Questions from Committee:

Levine: With the swing space in respect to incoming faculty, it could be years before we have the lab space to move into. Can we move them into trailers so faculty could move in more quickly?

Jim: Yes. We are looking into it. Lombardi approved the swing space planning.

Bryan: Some buildings have capacity. The spot renovation in Morrill will be adding new space and this will continue until the addition of the new space.

Jim: Morrill can support laboratory functions.

Annaliese: Do we have any innovative green buildings to dream about?

Jim: We do have the opportunity and have had discussions frequently. Several of our new building projects have incorporated green design concepts.

Pat: The ISB building. We will be saving millions of gallons of water. We are looking to reuse our water. Half of the Knowles Building is putting energy back into our grid.

Comments from committee:

Roger had mentioned that he would like the alumni magazine to come to interview Jim.

Jack: We should discuss an issue like this in the context of the master plan. This committee endorses pursuit of lead certification.

Emily: We have alumni working at the Carol Johnson firm. We could show how our students work consulting with Carol Johnson.

Ryan: Mentioned that it is disturbing not to see the library from Whitmore. Have we hired a consulting arborist yet? He feels there is no protection to the trees on current construction projects.

The Chinese Elm fell and no roots came up. The roots rotted due to construction damage. Dr Manning went to look at the plant near the Chapel. The plant is gone.

Pat: Ryan had a lot of input and Jack did also. We relocate plants. They were consulted and it was not a part of the decision. Contract limit lines and historic trees were gone. Trucks and port-a-potties were near rare trees.

Jim: Jim handed out a spec from Skinner at the last meeting and mentioned it would be effective if you could give us feedback.

Jack: The Landscape Subcommittee needs to speak to the above issues and

have input into the CLIP plan.

Pat: There is the CLIP foundation replanting in front of Hicks and Goodell. Planting will be done in the spring.

Jack: Jack has invited anyone to become a member of the Landscape Committee. They can review and comment on the landscape, tree protection and new planting. Pam Monn is working on the labels. Jack would like notification on tree and plant removal.

OIT has a map of the wireless connections on campus. SOM put connectors into new classrooms and went wireless.

Ernie: It was stated to explore standards for OIT for all new spaces.

Question from Committee:

Josh: Is it possible to equip each building with separate wireless or grouping a small number of buildings?

Jim: It is possible. You can do a lot with wireless technology. For example, the Campus Fire Alarm Loop is a wireless system.

The Council meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Janice Webster