

Facilities, Support Services and Technology Committee

December 10, 2014

Minutes

Present: J. Artiss, J. Sawasky, R. Ackerman, I Avrutsky, M. Barnes, K. Kumasi, J. Moseley, L. Pile, T. Bazzi, D. Golodner

Absent with Notice: H. Matthew, L. Samavati

Absent: B. Morrow, J Withey, T. R. Reddy

Guests: J. Sears, D. Wrench

Meeting began at 10:00AM.

Next Meeting: January 14, 2015, 10:00AM, Rm. 1270 FAB

I. WELCOME:

II. CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET REQUESTS AND THE OVERALL WSU FACILITIES MASTER PLAN – James Sears, Associate VP FP&M.

Mr. Sears' presentation is attached. A list of the projects and estimated costs as presented by Mr. Sears is also attached. The Science and Engineering Library will be repurposed. As it shares a heating and cooling system with Chemistry costs will be reduced and the State looks favorably on repurposing buildings. The new i-Bio building is scheduled to be complete within six months. The DeRoy apartments have a major problem with flooding every time it rains. The University was part of a successful class action law suit pertaining to substandard mortar but the problem itself has yet to be addressed. Funding for capital projects will come from a variety of sources including philanthropy and the State.

Mr. Sears thanked the committee for its interest and input into the recently completed projects in Manoogian and State Halls. Mr. Sears and the chair agreed to work towards developing a mechanism whereby faculty could have input into the selection and prioritization of the capital projects.

III. RECYCLING ON CAMPUS – Donald Wrench, Director Facilities Operations.

Mr. Wrench presented a recycling report from Advanced Disposal for the month of October 2014 (attached). This report was generated by Advanced Disposal, the company that manages the University's waste. Mr. Wrench estimated that we are averaging about 12.5% of the materials that could be recycled which is about one-half of the national average. Mr. Wrench mentioned that, because of the way the recycling is handled, some of the faculty

and staff are under the impression that all materials are put in the same dumpsters. This is not the case. Dumpsters are paired; one with a black lid for refuse and one with a yellow lid for materials to be recycled. WSU does not do any sorting beyond this as that is the responsibility of Advanced Disposal. Mr. Wrench asked for suggestions on how to increase the rate of recycling. Several members felt there are too few recycle bins on campus and in the buildings, and that the bins were not adequately labeled (*e.g.*, are you supposed to place plastic bottles in the bins labeled “cans,” especially if there are no bins labeled “plastic”?). Through this discussion Mr. Sears became aware that unlike administrators, faculty do not have small blue boxes in their offices.

IV. REPORT FROM CHAIR:

The chair updated the committee on the very good response that the committee was receiving to the daycare survey.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 14, 2014:

Minutes approved as amended.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

The chair advised the committee that he had e-mailed Mr. Kieleszewski regarding the lack of No Smoking signage on the front doors of Old Main but had not had a reply. There was some discussion about the placement of the signs. The chair promised to send a reminder to Mr. Kieleszewski and to follow up with Messrs. Sears and Wrench.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Bazzi mentioned that some of his colleagues in the Student Senate were investigating complaints of hate e-mails targeting LGBTQ students in the residences. Mr. Barnes volunteered to put the student representatives in touch with the appropriate administrative liaisons.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT: