

**MEETING NOTES OF THE
UNIVERSITY FACILITIES PLANNING BOARD
November 22, 2011**

- Members Present:** Joe Fedock – Chair, Walt Banziger - Vice Chair, James Becker, Kurt Blunck, Jeff Butler, Mandy Hansen, Robert Lashaway, Jim Thull, Brenda York
- Proxy:** Allyson Bristor (Items 4, 5 & 6), Michael Everts (Items 4, 5 & 6), Thomas McCoy (Items 4, 5 & 6), Jim Thull (Items 5 & 6)
- Members Absent:** Allyson Bristor, Michael Everts, Jeff Jacobsen, Patricia Lane, Terry Leist, Thomas McCoy, Martha Potvin, Jim Rimpau, Tom Stump, Joseph Thiel – ASMSU, Allen Yarnell
- Guests:** Ritchie Boyd, Victoria Drummond

The University Facilities Planning Board met beginning at 3:30 pm to discuss the following:

ITEM No. 1 – Approval of Meeting Notes

Lashaway moved to approve the meeting notes from November 8, 2011. Thull seconded the motion. The meeting notes were approved unanimously.

ITEM No. 2 – Executive Committee Report – No actions to report

ITEM No. 3 – Consent Agenda – None

ITEM No. 4 – Recommendation – Native American Student Center

Bob Lashaway presented an overview of extending the site reservation for the Native American Student Center. In 2005 students worked with President Gamble and determined the site for the Native American Student Center to be the space south of Hannon Hall. At that time, a condition was put on that there would be a site reservation for five years. Now, the Native Americans are working with President Cruzado to begin the fundraising effort to construct a building on this site and the President is confident she can get that put together within another five year period. She is asking for a continuing reservation of the site for an additional five years (through November 2016). The initial fundraising target was \$8 million, but now the target is set at \$4 million. The building would be used for student clubs, advising and counseling, conference and meeting space, classroom space, office space, an art gallery, and the Native American Studies department. The group has gone through a selection process, has done ceremonial consecrations, has renderings and the building is on the long range campus development plan.

The previous president wanted Montana State University to be the university of choice for Native Americans inside and outside of Montana. Students here lack exposure to minority populations that they would get at other universities. This building would help do that and would benefit the university as a whole. This would also show continued commitment to the Native American Population.

Blunck questioned about having sites reserved and limiting flexibility in campus development in the future. Lashaway provided that sites would be reserved on a limited scale and on the basis that planning (possibly design and fundraising) has already taken place and said a time limit was an improvement to historically reserving site in perpetuity. Each situation would be judged on the merits of the individual proposal. If there is another use for this site in the future a release can be made.

This is at the request of the President to continue to reserve this site. Lashaway moved to approve the additional five year reservation. Thull seconded the Motion.

The vote:

- Yes: 12 – including the proxy votes of Bristor, Everts and McCoy
- No: 1 – Blunck
- Abstain: 0

ITEM No. 5 – Recommendation – USDA

Bob Lashaway presented an overview of extending the site reservation for the USDA. There is some funding along with a couple million dollars Congress originally funded. That funding has started design development of the USDA building. About 50 percent of the design has been completed. The lease is a 30 year lease with a 20 year renewable. The lease is not in effect, just the provision to reevaluate the site and the prospects in five years, given that there is success in fundraising. In five years prospects will be known for funding or it will have funding at that time and be in construction. Just above \$12 million has appropriated against the project and the project is in the \$22-24 million range.

This will be a laboratory facility at MSU, and in exchange for the site itself it will be a space for five faculty researchers. The building would be at the north east corner of the parking lot and about the size of the animal bioscience building. Issues relative to the parking lot were worked out in the lease in a supplemental agreement. The project will pay for replacement parking. Over half of the parking will still be available for MSU. The building is for the USDA Animal Range Science group. This was approved for a five year period in 2005 and the recommendation would be to extend it for an additional five years.

Lashaway moved to approve the recommendation to extend the reservation an additional five years. York seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved with no opposes or abstentions.

ITEM No. 6 – Recommendation – Amend Public Art Committee Bylaws and appoint new PAC member

Victoria Drummond presented an overview of amending the Public Art Committee bylaws and appointing a new member. The Committee decided there needed to be a few changes. They discussed getting a nomination for the next replacement member. Jeremy Hatch, assistant professor in the art department, is recommended to UFPB as replacement for the current art professor Nelleke Beltjens, due to her departure from MSU. UFPB approval of that member is all that is required and it does not need to go to the president.

The Committee reviewed the bylaws and suggested some changes. The reason the constituents area was changed was because Victoria Drummond was lumped in under UFPB, but is staff support to UFPB. The Committee wanted to make the distinction that Facilities Planning was integral to the Committee and wanted to identify that. It was also suggested that the Committee be more like the other UFPB committees and that is to have a co-chair scenario.

Lashaway moved to approve. Butler seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved with no opposes or abstentions.

This meeting was adjourned at 4:14 p.m.

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PC:

President Cruzado
ASMSU President
Jody Barney, College of Agriculture
Pat Chansley, Provost Office
Victoria Drummond, Facilities PDC
Heidi Gagnon, VP Admin & Finance

Diane Heck, Provost Office
Jennifer Joyce, Planning & CIO Office
Linda LaCrone, VP Research Office
Shari McCoy, Presidents Office
Becky McMillan, Auxiliary Services
Julie Kipfer, Communications

Lisa Duffey, College of Agriculture
Robert Putzke, MSU Police
Bonnie Ashley, Registrar
JoDee Palin, Coll of Arts & Arch