

**MEETING NOTES OF THE
UNIVERSITY FACILITIES PLANNING BOARD
November 18, 2014**

Members Present: Nancy Cornwell - Chair, Walt Banziger - Vice Chair, Jeff Butler, Michael Everts, Chris Fastnow, Neil Jorgensen, Fatih Rifki, Brenda York, Julie Tatarka, Greg Gilpin, Bob Lashaway, Kurt Blunck

Proxy: Candace Mastel for Allyson Brekke and Linda LaCrone

Members Absent: Brett Gunnink, Chris Kearns, Martha Potvin, Shad Cristando, Tom Stump, Jim Thull, Glenn Duff

Staff & Guests: Tony Campeau, Reed Simonson, Rebecca Gleason, Kristin Blackler, Jim Zimpel, Rollin Beamish, Josh De Weese, Jeremy Hatch, Krista Metzger

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

ITEM No. 1 – Approval of Meeting Notes

Butler moved to approve the meeting notes from October 21, 2014. Blunck seconded the motion. The meeting notes were approved unanimously.

ITEM No. 2 – Executive Committee Report

There was no action from the Executive Committee to report.

ITEM No. 3 – Consent Agenda – No Items

ITEM No. 4 – Recommendation - Bike Locker Investigation

Candace Mastel introduced the idea of placing bike lockers at the Streamline bus stop, and the students (Will, Alyson, Greg, Kelly, Riley and Jack) from Everts' architecture Professional Practice class who have done a semester long project investigating bike facilities and storage on campus. Alyson explained that they have been looking at bike organization on campus, by looking at the under-utilized areas on campus and solutions to the related issues. The group has found that MSU has continuously increased its record enrollment, and now is a good time to organize existing pathway use and differentiate short term and long term bike parking. Innovative bike solutions on campuses such as those at Stanford and MIT, include designated bike lanes, covered long term bike storage, and secure covered bike storage for short term parking that can be implemented at MSU. The group studied the Portland State Bike Hub, which is an indoor long term bike parking which allows users to buy an annual permit, encouraging the bike culture and proper bike storage through membership, clinics and maintenance classes.

The group identified some specific areas to focus on, including energy savings on campus, the health of campus, and removing bike clutter to create more green space. The two prong solution propose is placement of bike lockers near parking lots on the outskirts of campus to provide long term storage for commuters; and create a main bike route down Centennial Mall with paths that branch off and lead to vestibules near buildings. The following are questions that they note would need to be addressed:

- How does the design react and respect the existing architecture, keeping the historical value in mind?
- How is the indoor bike storage maintained, especially during the winter?
- How do bikers and pedestrians interact with the indoor bike storage space?

The group also came up with some parameters for design, including sensitivity to existing structure, location selected based on high traffic areas, and buildings with inefficient entry systems. The design should be multi-faceted and focus on more than bike parking alone, to address green space and energy savings as well.

Blunck asked about funding and the group proposed a two-step payment process which is made up of the upfront costs, and the second is the energy savings, health benefits and operations benefits to offset expenses. They are also looking at how this could be incorporated into the Freshman Residence Complex and the Norm Asbjornson Innovation Center. Lashaway asked if the group noticed a difference between bicycle commuters and what they are proposing; they responded that if there is a change in the bike culture at MSU the vehicle miles can be offset by bike miles. Mastel added that the Bike Task Force has a survey out to students, staff, and faculty, asking questions about user desires, patterns, and preferences, and they will be able to analyze the data from a large amount of responses.

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The board revisited the original proposal for bike lockers in the vacant area of the Pay Lot on S. 7th Avenue, and Lashaway moved to approve to test the bike lockers in this location, west of the current Skyline bus stop, and get a report in the future of what is learned and the data that is been collected; Banziger amended that the lockers be removed upon construction commencement of the Norm Asbjornson Innovation Center and future installations will be brought back to UFPB. Everts seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote:

Yes: 14
No: 0

ITEM No. 5 –Recommendation – Cheever Hall Ghost Sign

Mastel presented the proposal to install a ghost sign on the brick wall of Room 102 in Cheever Hall, which is becoming the Design Sandbox for Engaged Learning (DSEL). In Montana it is common to see these permanent murals on exterior brick walls, that over time have become weathered, and called “ghost signs” which this project will simulate. The mural will be directly painted on the walls by students, supervised by Meta Newhouse, as a class project, and should be completed by February 2015. Butler asked what will happen when the mural is no longer wanted on the wall; Cornwell explained that the design is purposely design to be non-discipline specific so if the room changes use it can remain, or it can be scrubbed or sandblasted off. Mastel asked Cornwell to address what would happen if it becomes dated and Cornwell responded that historically this happens with ghost signs and they transition over time to become part of the architecture. Cornwell said that it would not require any maintenance and Facilities Services should provide a suggestion for the type of paint to use. Butler added that he could suggest a sealer that would aid in removal in the future. Fastnow asked if the colors are fully determined and noted that blue and/or gold might be popular. Cornwell said the colors may still change but that orange is key organizational branding color in the DSEL space.

York moved to approve the ghost sign, as long as the College of Arts & Architecture works with Facilities Services on paint and sealer selection. Blunck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote:

Yes: 14
No: 0

ITEM No. 6 –Recommendation - Haynes Hall Sculpture Yard Storage Containers

Mastel presented the proposal to install two storage containers in the enclosed sculpture yard north of Haynes Hall. Art students have previously stored projects within this area, but exposed to weather. The art department has requested storage units to protect the student pottery projects. The shipping containers would be placed on the ground on the east side of the yard within the eight foot tall fence, and would be accessed by students, faculty and staff throughout the year. They are a standard storage unit size which is eight feet wide by eight feet tall by 20 feet long, and would be tan or light grey (similar to the color of the fence). Similar to the storage shed that was approved for the Child Development Center at Herrick Hall, these will be within an existing fenced area that has been designated for the use and occupancy of the art department, the fenced enclosure provides separation and reduces visibility of the units, and the units will be used daily in support of the specific programmed outdoor space. Lashaway stated he was okay with it because it is not noticeably visible. He also noted that there are situations on campus where the building users deserve some exterior space that is allocated for their purposes for the things they need to do, which do not fit in the building. There is also need for service space for Facilities Services to be able to access the buildings and handle renovation; it is best to plan for these needs in the future. Banziger added that there is a possibility in the future to extend W. Garfield St through to S. 11th Ave and these units may be removed if that happens.

Lashaway moved to approve the storage containers based on the three observations that have been made to justify this decision. Fastnow seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote:

Yes: 14
No: 0

ITEM No. 7 –Informational – Chalking on Sidewalks

This item will be discussed at a future UFPB meeting.

This meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

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