

**MEETING NOTES OF THE
UNIVERSITY FACILITIES PLANNING BOARD
January 12, 2016**

Members Present: Kregg Aytes – Chair, Walt Banziger – Co-Chair, Jeff Butler, Brenda York, Neil Jorgensen, Kurt Blunck, Tom Stump, Greg Gilpin, Kathy Marcinko, Martha Potvin, Bob Lashaway, Chris Fastnow

Proxy: Walt Banziger for Fatih Rifki and Michael Everts; Dan Stevenson for Jeff Butler, Levi Birky for Kyle Glose

Members Absent: Charles Boyer, Allyson Brekke, Julie Tatarka, Chris Kearns, Jim Thull

Staff & Guests: Randy Stephens, Tracy Ellig, Bill Mackin, EJ Hook, Todd Jutila, Mike Kosevich, Duane Morris, Jeff Downhour, Matt Aune

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

ITEM No. 1 – Approval of Meeting Notes

Stump moved to approve the draft notes from December 1, 2015 and December 15, 2015. The motion passed affirmatively.

The vote:

Yes: 16

No: 0

Abstain: Potvin, Birky

ITEM No. 2 – Executive Committee Report

Report on any current Executive Committee actions.

ITEM No. 3 – CONSENT AGENDA

a. Montana Hall North Side Landscape Improvements

EJ Hook provided information about the Montana Hall North Side Landscape Improvements. The MSU Landscape Master Plan calls for developing a formal enhancement of the Montana Hall North Entry, with symmetry, color, and respect for the iconic nature of this building. The main thing that will be done in this project is formalizing the circulation pattern and provide a resting space for people to interact. The pathways will be wide enough to accommodate bicycles, pedestrians and snow removal. This will also provide a space for staging work on the building. The plan allows for the construction to be completed in several phases.

York asked if this could be an opportunity to review the grade of the sidewalk going up to Montana Hall; Hook responded that the grade on the straight sidewalk is insurmountable and is not addressed as part of this project. The case for ADA access in the area will be made with accessible routes. Lashaway asked if the City of Bozeman has been consulted regarding fire routes; Hook responded that this is an improvement in that regard. Lashaway suggested having a set of maps showing the preferred routes.

ITEM No. 4 – RECOMMENDATION - Fieldhouse Service Drive

Bill Mackin presented the proposed service drive/event parking area behind the Fieldhouse and east of Shroyer Gym. This area will be used on a daily basis for service to the building and for events such as concerts, trade shows, rodeos, etc. This space will be used for parking large trucks and motor homes. This situation is currently unmanageable from a safety perspective, and by not having enough space for what is needed. With the reconstruction of Kagy Boulevard scheduled for the summer of 2018, this is now more urgent. Another aspect of this project is in relation to the Parking Garage and NAIC, that are under construction next to this site. There is an access road to the Parking Garage that comes in from the east, and also gives access to the Fieldhouse service drive to make a loop through.

The engineering consultants, TD&H, have done extensive design on this area to address the storm water drainage and have done a significant amount of parking maintenance and design on Campus. The proposal is to proceed from schematic design to design development to design the area to be more functional, safe and effective.

Jorgensen asked what the plans are for pedestrian access in the area. Once this service drive is complete, pedestrians would walk on the sidewalk around or through the tennis courts. In the near future this area will be fenced, with a gate, and a permanent pedestrian route will provide walkways to the parking lots and stadium to the south. The gate will remain open during normal business hours, but will be closed during events.

Blunck moved to approve the concept. Stump seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote:

Yes: 16

No: 0

ITEM No. 5 – INFORMATIONAL - New Dining Hall Site Selection

Randy Stephens presented the information for selecting the site for the New Dining Hall. The intended schedule for the project is to break ground in Fall 2016 and to open for Fall 2018, so it is important for design to start immediately after the site is selected. On December 1, 2015, the site selection was brought to UFPB as an informational item with eight preliminary location options. This has now been narrowed down to three sites for consideration (sites A, B, and G). The design team is recommending site A, and Stephens presented the analysis that has been done on the sites. Each site has its own opportunities and constraints. The design team established a rating system, and applied cost impacts, to have a method for analysis. The walking distance to each site from Hannon Hall and Langford Hall was taken into consideration, in addition how each site would respond to the existing utilities and tunnels was analyzed, as this has high cost impacts.

Site A is immediately north of the Chemistry and Biochemistry Building, and has high overall ratings in the analysis. The site development at this location would require removing the temporary Chemistry Modular buildings, which has cost implications but the State has some funding for the removal of these buildings. This would also displace some parking for service access. One thing that is important to the layout of the site is to hold the line that is established by the eastern façade of the Chemistry and Biochemistry Building; this helps develop the walkway from Montana Hall to Harrison Street and maintain the green space. The additional costs associated with this site include removing one or two trees, elimination of about 40 parking spaces, and extending the utility tunnel about 260 feet.

Some massing and diagrammatic layouts of the site help show how access would work for the building, the scale of the building and how it might look. The massing shows a two story building, which helps with the presence in this location. Looking at site circulation, there would be service entry on the west side from the parking lot, and the main entry to the building would be from the common green space on the east. Stevenson added that considering how the service access relates to pedestrian traffic is important when we look at all the sites. There could be some terraces and outdoor space along the east side, where students could gather. Some additional ideas for spaces that could be developed include a front porch, a yard, a garden plot, and various seating areas.

Site B is immediately north of Jabs Hall, currently used as a parking lot. This site has a larger impact on parking, likely displacing about 60 parking spaces. The additional costs associated with this site include extending the utility tunnel about 220 feet, and relocating a steam line and storm drainage. The scale of the building would be similar to that at site A, and would have the service access off Harrison Street, and the main entry to the building would be from the west off the green space. With a layout like this, to get service access may conflict more with pedestrians and traffic on Harrison Street. The approach to showing the service access in this location is to minimize the parking loss, and to improve its relation to Jabs Hall, but this doesn't have to remain the approach. Additional ideas for spaces that could be developed include a sun deck, an overlook, terracing and various seating areas.

Site G is between Herrick Hall and Hannon Hall. This site shows fewer advantages and higher cost implications than sites A and B. The additional costs associated with this site include removal of eight to ten mature trees and six to seven smaller trees, extending the utility tunnel about 360 feet, displacing some parking (though not as much as sites A and B), street costs, and sewer line extension and underground power. The service access will be off W. Cleveland Street, and shared service would be maintained into Herrick Hall. There would be a couple entry points at

this site, from the north and south sides. The building can be oriented this way to allow the street and access to parking to be maintained once construction is complete. The scale of the building in this location has a little less presence because of the grade of the site.

Potvin asked about planning for the future, and if we foresee the need for more housing. If there would be additional housing, where would it be, and could that impact the decision of location for this building? Stump responded that if MSU continues to grow, discussions for more housing will need to happen. When the site was chosen for Yellowstone Hall, there were sites considered on the low-rise side of campus. A public/private partnership has also been considered. What has been learned from Miller Dining Hall is that more people are using it than was thought possible, and there has been an increase in the off-campus community use. Stump is open to the idea of developing further to the west of Campus. Stevenson commented that the redevelopment of Johnstone Center could also be considered in the future. Stump added that they have considered converting Hannon Dining Hall into an allergen-free dining hall, which is a growing need nation-wide.

York brought up the functions currently located in the Chemistry Modular buildings; one of the functions is the ADA accessible lab for Lewis Hall and this may be difficult to relocate. Banziger commented that the functions in the Modulares would need to be considered for relocation. Marcinko noted that the Vice President of Research and Economic Development is going to want to know more about the relocation of the functions in the Modulares. Marcinko also asked how the parking that would get displaced would be addressed; Banziger responded that a project that displaces parking typically buys the spaces in-kind from Parking Services, and Parking determines the use of the money. Blunck explained that the money is supposed to be used to replace the spaces, but it depends if it is used immediately or when enough money is available to build a larger new parking lot. One possible for a new parking lot is west of S. 13th Avenue.

This item will be presented one more time at the next UFPB meeting, as a public forum in the Procrastinator, and then voted on for a recommendation to the President. Prior to that, there will also be a couple more meet and greet sessions, a presentation to the Residence Hall Association student group, and a presentation to ASMSU. Lashaway asked that those on the Board representing students, Faculty Senate, Staff Senate, Professional Council, etc. bring this information to those bodies.

This meeting was adjourned at 5:00p.m.

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