

**MEETING NOTES OF THE
UNIVERSITY FACILITIES PLANNING BOARD
March 8, 2016**

Members Present: Walt Banziger – Co-Chair, Jeff Butler, Brenda York, Neil Jorgensen, Kurt Blunck, Bob Lashaway, Chris Fastnow, Fatih Rifki, Julie Tatarka, Michael Everts, David Singel

Proxy: Walt Banziger for Kregg Aytes, Todd Jutila for Tom Stump

Members Absent: Charles Boyer, Chris Kearns, Allyson Brekke, James Thull, Kathy Marcinko, Kyle Glose

Staff & Guests: Randy Stephens, Candace Mastel, Kristin Blackler, Sam Des Jardins, Emma Bode, Drew Shanafelt, Matthew Bain, Noah Bosworth, EJ Hook

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

ITEM No. 1 – Approval of Meeting Notes

Draft notes from February 9, 2016 and February 23, 2016 to be distributed before next meeting.

ITEM No. 2 – Executive Committee Report

Victoria Drummond presented the request for the Sonny Holland sculpture, and the general location for the sculpture. This item was on the agenda for February 23, 2016, but did not get heard due to time. The artist contacted CPDC and needs to get approval so he can make the contracted schedule. The Executive Committee reviewed the Public Art Committee's (PAC) vote in favor of the proposal and their suggestions related to the expense for installation. On February 25, 2016, the Commemorative Tributes Committee reviewed the proposal and voted in favor by majority that the Sonny Holland sculpture be accepted as a gift to the University. The recommendation was sent to President Cruzado, and she approved it on March 7, 2016. The preferred location is the north side of the Bobcat Stadium, south of Kagy Boulevard, within the MSU Athletics neighborhood where there is an existing selection of commemorative tribute items. The conditions include the cost of installation and maintenance be covered by MSU Athletics

ITEM No. 3 – CONSENT AGENDA - No Items

ITEM No. 4 – RECOMMENDATION - Lincoln Sculpture Site Proposals

Candace Mastel presented the site proposals for the Lincoln Sculpture. On November 6, 2015, President Cruzado approved UFPB's recommendation to accept the Abraham Lincoln sculpture by artist Jim Dolan. After approval, Campus Planning, Design & Construction (CPDC) worked with Dolan and a team of campus community members to recommend three locations for the new sculpture: (1) north of the SUB, outside of Leigh Lounge; (2) south west of Hamilton Hall, in the triangle of grass; (3) on the north east lawn of Linfield Hall, on the east side of the building. The exact location on these sites will be determined by looking at the existing infrastructure and utilities. The project cost will be covered by Facilities Services.

Currently there are no sculptures along Centennial Mall, and two of the possible sites, north of the SUB and south west of Hamilton Hall, are in this area. The site by Linfield Hall is an area that does not have much public art. The team also looked at the west side of Linfield Hall, but due to the height of the sculpture it is preferred to keep it at grade. The team did not have a recommendation for one site in particular.

Rifki commented that he prefers the site by Linfield Hall because of the subject's connection to Agriculture and land grant institutions. Blunck agreed with this. Fastnow acknowledged the PAC's recommendation of the Linfield Hall site and the Hamilton Hall site, but not eliminate the site north of the SUB.

Everts moved to recommend all three sites for President Cruzado to pick one. Blunck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote:

Yes: 11

No: 1 (Everts)

ITEM No. 5 – RECOMMENDATION - New Surface Parking Lot

Kurt Blunck presented a recap of topics discussed at the UFPB meeting on February 23, 2016. The New Dining Hall on the site north of the Chemistry Biochemistry Building impacts 40 to 60 parking spaces in the East Linfield parking lot and along Harrison Street. The new parking lot will be west of South 13th Avenue and have about 184 spaces. At the previous UFPB meeting, the Committee asked for some information about MSU's peer group parking ratios. Parking Services, and the consultants for the MSU Transportation Master Plan, have conducted surveys showing the number of parking spaces per person on campus (students, faculty and staff). MSU's current ratio is .33, compared to Colorado State University's ratio of .39, Washington State University's ratio of .25, New Mexico State University's ratio of .58, University of Idaho's ratio of .44, and University of Montana's ratio of .20, and Weber State's ratio of .25.

The Committee also asked what type of parking the new parking lot would be designated as; the designations have not yet been determined. It is likely that the reserved parking be relocated close to the current location, and the new parking lot will likely have E and S/B parking. Following the UFPB meeting on February 23, 2016, Parking Services met with ASMSU and the Residence Hall Association (RHA). ASMSU did not vote on the topic, and while there were people for and against the parking lot, additional parking was generally well received. RHA did vote in favor of the new parking lot. Lashaway commented that there are some advocates that would suggest that the new parking lot be S/B parking; Blunck acknowledged this. Singel suggested having E parking close to the Residence Halls. Butler asked what adding 184 spaces does to the parking ratio; this does not have much impact.

Emma Bode, Agriculture student and Co-President of Sustainability Now (SNow), commented that the improvements that have been made do not go unnoticed by students and are appreciated. Bode commented that there is an amount of unused parking at the Stadium and Lincoln lots, which are only a couple minutes further walk. Bode suggests developing a plan for the Family & Graduate Housing area, a bike share program, a shuttle service, rethinking the parking plan, and other ideas. Noah Bosworth, of SNow, expressed his support for the points Bode made, and that this proposal seems like a bandaid to a larger issue. Drew Shanafelt, of SNow, also expressed his support for Bode's statement, and commented that MSU's mission discusses addressing the world's greatest issues, such as climate change and sustainability. Shanafelt commented that a new parking lot doesn't support this, and the University can be more creative with the use of this money by encouraging other transportation options. Matthew Bain, of SNow, acknowledged that this is a quickly paced project, but suggested that before a decision is made a more comprehensive plan be developed and consider how other transportation options can be improved.

Mastel, from a Campus Planning and Bicycle Task Force perspective, suggested that MSU think about transportation and parking issues in a different light as decisions are made. MSU should be preemptive about thinking about future solutions in a planning and design for transportation to, from and on Campus.

Blunck responded to some of the points that were brought up; the money that has been identified for the new parking lot can only be used for parking by State statute. Blunck suggested exploring bike sharing and other transportation options with a realistic look at where the funding comes from. He added that when these options are being investigated, we need to have estimates developed. Shuttles could be an option; Parking Services' investigation showed that it costs \$70 per hour per shuttle, and could be looking at 14 shuttle hours per day.

Kristin Blackler commented that there is a policy issue that makes MSU be reactive instead of proactive when projects like this come up. The concerns of safety that some students bring up are considered, but the group of students at this meeting are representing a different perspective and that should be considered as well. This is a good time to plan how we move people around Campus.

Fastnow recommended the Board approve this surface parking lot, and make a concurrent commitment to use the MSU Transportation Master Plan to develop a more comprehensive process for a holistic parking and transportation solution. Rifki voiced his support for this.

It was noted that a large number of additional spaces will be going offline in Fall 2016, due to construction staging for the Parking Garage and the NAIC. Lashaway discussed the parking that is available at the stadium, which is under-utilized. Jorgensen suggest that improvements to the existing parking at the stadium could encourage users and help with alternative transportation options. Singel commented that hopefully the MSU Transportation Master Plan can help to articulate a philosophy for MSU. Singel suggested presenting the option to take the time needed to make a plan.

Everts asked how the impact of the new parking lot on traffic on College Street has been coordinated with the City of Bozeman. This has not been discussed with the City yet, as it is not approved by the University yet. Everts asked what the possibility of making this parking lot pervious is, such as gravel or alternative surface. Blunck responded that pervious hard surfaces are more expensive, and gravel is harder to maintain.

Fastnow moved to recommend new parking lot in the area north of the Family & Graduate Housing Westside Houses between South 13th Avenue and South 15th Avenue, with a concurrent commitment to use the MSU Transportation Master Plan that is in development to develop a more consistent and holistic parking and transportation solution as we move forward, via an inclusive process and interest in alternative surface. Rifki seconded the motion. The motion passed affirmatively.

The vote:

Yes: 10

No: 2 (Everts, Jorgensen)

ITEM No. 6 – RECOMMENDATION - Exterior Design of Parking Structure and Conceptual Design of Exterior of NAIC

Sam Des Jardins presented the updated exterior design for the Parking Structure, and the conceptual design of the exterior of the NAIC. The exterior of the Parking Structure will use an aluminum grate material mounted vertically from the top handrail of the top deck to the bottom of the second floor. The ground level will not have this material and will be open to the outside, to allow users to enter and exit the building from multiple directions. The site also has a significant grade change from south to north and this would affect the appearance of the alignment of the aluminum panels. The panels will have an irregular pattern of spacing and is all in the same plane. The north east stair tower contains the elevator and the connection to the NAIC. The exterior of the NAIC is proposed to have a dark hued brick that is dark gray or black, and a reddish core-ten rusted steel material.

Fastnow commented that this design seems very different from other buildings on Campus, and asked how it ties into Campus. Singel, who is on the Building Committee, responded that the Building Committee and the Design Team discussed using something unique that fits in with Campus. The idea is that this complex uses brick and metal, but the colors are inverted. Lashaway added that the architecture on Campus is eclectic, and there isn't just one design element to relate to. The Parking Garage is a unique building on Campus, and in the future it may become less visible with additional buildings. Stephens added that he appreciates the use of brick as a primary building material on the NAIC. This is also the first academic building to be on the south side of Grant Street, and this is a unique type of facility.

Singel moved to recommend approval of the exterior design of the Parking Structure. Blunck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote:

Yes: 12

No: 0

ITEM No. 7 – RECOMMENDATION - Campus Standard Restroom Sign Modification and Modification to Campus Design Guidelines

Mastel presented the proposal that the current sign standard for non-accessible and accessible restrooms be changed to a new standard in an effort to provide a gender neutral sign for single stall restroom facilities throughout Campus. QSA has been involved in process and discussion. Campus Planning, Design & Construction and Facilities Services have identified 20 to 25 restrooms that will be able to immediately have the restroom sign replaced. There was discussion about the size of the images on the signage; the Board recommended making the image of the toilet and

the image of the wheelchair proportionate to each other. The modification to the MSU Campus Design Guidelines will be discussed at the next UFPB meeting.

Fastnow moved to recommend the modifications to the Campus standard restroom signage. The motion passed affirmatively.

The vote:

Yes: 11
No: 1 (Blunck)

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

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