

**MEETING NOTES OF THE  
UNIVERSITY FACILITIES PLANNING BOARD  
December 13, 2016**

**Members Present:** Kregg Aytes – Chair, Walt Banziger – Co-Chair, Matthew Campbell, David Singel for Robert Mokwa, David Kack, Kurt Blunck, Tom Stump, Jeff Butler, Kathy Marcinko, Dan Stevenson for Terry Leist

**Proxy:** Kathy Marcinko for Chris Fastnow and Renee Reijo Pera, Kregg Aytes for Neil Jorgenson, Walt Banziger for Brenda York

**Members Absent:** Tom McNab for Faith Rifki, Neil Jorgensen, Kurt Blunck, Charles Boyer, Rebecca Owens, Michael Everts, Christina Fastnow, Chris Kearns, James Thull

**Staff & Guests:** Candace Mastel, Steve Erickson, Spencer Sorensen, James Shepherd, Garrett Leach, Allie Wilson, Jillian Bertelli, Johnathan Hilmer, Joe Schumacher, Joshua Turner, Greg Stuart, James Shepherd, Spencer Sorensen, Garrett Leach, Bob Brekke, Brian Rossman, Duane Morris

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**

Tom Stump moved to approve the draft notes from November 29, 2016. Kurt Blunck seconded the motion. The meeting notes were approved unanimously.

**ITEM No. 2 – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT** – No Items

**ITEM No. 3 – CONSENT AGENDA** – No Items

**ITEM No. 4 – RECOMMENDATION Veteran’s Park Relocation**

Candace Mastel presented the recommended location for the relocated Veterans Park. With the possible remodel of Romney Gym and the possible reconfiguration of the area between Romney Gym and the SUB loop drive, Mastel noted that it has become necessary to consider the possible relocation of the existing Veteran’s Park. The current park features several site furnishings, a flag pole, a planted annual bed, and signage. Campus Planning, Design & Construction has met several times with the Student Veteran’s Group, Joe Schumacher (Veteran’s Center Program Manager) and Brenda York to discuss new locations for a relocated park that would embody both the aesthetic and physical characteristics for a new park that the Student Veteran’s want. Sites that were more centralized and natural were looked at. The Student Veterans want to keep the relocated park somewhere near Romney Gym and Romney Greenspace as well as feel open to all users rather than be a “memorial”. Joe Schumacher (*student Veteran*) said they want the location of the park to be very intentional and a celebration of Veterans on Campus.

If Veteran’s Park is relocated to just north of Gaines Hall, as desired, there would be the opportunity to combine some site/landscape work and make the area improved for access from Romney Greenspace and Romney Gym. Mastel noted that the concepts and ideas for the site will be brought back to UFPB, this recommendation is for the site location only.

Kathy moved to approve the new location of Veteran’s Park, Jeff Butler seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Vote:

Yes: 14 (4 Proxies)

No: 0

**ITEM No. 5. RECOMMENDATION Cyber Canoe Installation**

Jillian Bertelli presented the recommended installation of a Cyber CANOE (*Collaborative Analysis Navigation and Observation Environment*) in Renne Library. It is proposed to install four 60” high resolution flat screen monitors, seamed together into one large visualization display. The location for the installation is on the first floor of Renne Library on an existing wall. To run content on the screens, a computer will be stored in a secure cabinet. Changes to the existing wall include re-locating electrical outlets, reinforcing the wall with structural plywood, patch and paint. There were questions

about how this space would be used, Bertelli noted it is supposed to be a collaborative space and would possibly need a reservation system. The library said they are installing this in an open public space in hopes of promoting collaborative use and easy class access.

Banziger questioned where the computer for the screens would be located. Exact location of that is not yet determined.

Mathew Campbell moved to approve the installation of the Cyber CANOE, Tom Stump seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Vote:

Yes: 14 (4 Proxies)

No: 0

#### **ITEM No. 6. DISCUSSION Turf Field**

Randy Stephens asked for comments/questions on the proposed locations for an ASMSU request for a synthetic turf field, field lighting, and a support building to accommodate the growing demand on play fields by intramural and club sports teams. A synthetic turf field, with lights, will extend the use of play fields deeper into the shoulder seasons and into the evening hours, creating longer blocks of time for team play. Stephens presented the four possible locations (*actual location of field may vary within each site*):

Site one is west of South 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue and would initiate a different land use as beginning of the extension of the Long-Range Campus Development Plan. There is concern this site is too far from the main part of Campus, discussion ensued about how to overcome South 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue as a barrier heading west from the core of campus. Placing the Turf Field here would reinforce access via car and it is distant from student population. However, this site works with our master plan. Brekke added that this site is Ag research field and would take more discussion to use.

Site two, Lambert Fields, are already established play fields. This site is adjacent to an on-campus student population. There was concern this site may increase undesired parking along South 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue and lighting may be an annoyance to residents. Banziger said the lighting would have to be discussed with Joe Shaw.

Site three, near the Bison Lot, would utilize undeveloped open green space. This site is also close to student housing, but would restrict the addition of future fields.

Site four, currently Dyche Field, like site two, it is already established as play fields. This site is adjacent to existing parking lots and allows the possible addition of more fields. There was concern this site may interfere with other future development. Campbell questioned how this site would affect football. Morris said football does not use the east side of the field, so it wouldn't be a problem.

Garrett Leach noted that Rec Sports will manage the booking and maintenance of the field. There was question about the intention of the turf field. The intent would be to use it first for intramural with consideration for opening it to rentals. The consensus was for site two because there was less cons.

Stephens wrapped up the discussion and said the next step is for proposed site location to come back to UFPB in January for a site only vote.

This meeting was adjourned at 4:45.

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