

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE
UNIVERSITY FACILITIES PLANNING BOARD
May 16th, 2017**

Members Present: Walt Banziger – Co-Chair, Tom Stump, Jeff Butler, Leslie Schmidt, David Kack, Chris Fastnow, Neil Jorgenson, James Thull, Nicole Redding, and Keith Hamburg

Proxy: Tom Stump for David Kack and Kregg Aytes for Neil Jorgenson

Members Absent: Dan Stevenson, Kurt Blunck, Tom McNab for Faith Rifki, Rebecca Owens, Chris Kearns, Susan Fraser for Charles Boyer, Bob Mokwa, Terry Leist, Mike Everts, David Singel, and Renee Reijo Pera

Staff & Guests: Candace Mastel, EJ Hook, and Kylar Clifton

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 –

The meeting notes from May 2nd, 2017 were unanimously approved.

ITEM No. 2 – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT – No Items

ITEM No. 3 – CONSENT AGENDA – No Items

ITEM No. 4 – RECOMMENDATION – Covered Bike Parking Locations

Candace Mastel presented covered bike parking for three locations as a recommendation item. The Bicycle Task Force has been around for a few years, and they have wanted to do covered bike parking. The students, faculty and staff have all expressed the need for it. There is now a budget to be able to accomplish this project by creating a beta project or inaugural project south of Reid Hall, which is one of three proposed locations. Mastel said that she is asking UFPB for approval for three locations for the covered bike parking in case the Reid Hall location doesn't work out. In this case the other two locations can be considered.

The three locations are: the west side of EPS and Cobleigh Halls; the south side of Reid Hall (formerly described as the east side of Reid Hall) and the east side of Linfield Hall near the Service Drive. For the most part, all the corners of core campus would have a covered bike parking area. The covered bike parking structures wouldn't be able to be constructed all at the same time. They need to see what happens with the Renne Library Master Plan as well.

For the east side of Linfield Hall near the Service Drive, there's a large batch of existing racks, and the covered bike parking structure would be in the concrete area outside the lecture hall. These three locations are heavily used by bicyclists and they have existing pavement as well, except for the Reid Hall location. For the Reid Hall location, they would reuse the existing pavers that are already there or pave a new pad for the new covered bike structure.

The picture shown in Mastel's staff report/presentation is a depiction of what they would like to implement for the covered bike parking structure at Reid Hall. The structure (shown in the picture) is simple architecturally, the support members are very neutral in design, and there aren't curved linear forms or pillars. It also compliments the existing structures at each end of Centennial Mall. The color would be neutral so that it wouldn't clash with any of the surrounding buildings. The roof could be any number of materials, including solar or simple metal sheathing. The picture shown in the staff report is not the exact design of the proposed structure, but Mastel wants to keep it simple and similar to it.

The structure that would be created for Reid Hall would be more of a recti-linear, long version. For Cobleigh or Linfield, they would create a more customized structure, which would be a little larger, not square, but built a little deeper to fit more bike racks.

Chris Fastnow asked how many bikes the structure shown in the picture would hold (proposed structure for Reid Hall). Mastel said that they can't go too deep into the Romney green space and might be able to fit two rows of racks at best with this structure. They would put a higher density rack in the structure (not shown in the picture), and situate the racks so that they are sitting closer together. The racks shown in the picture are more U-shaped racks that are more difficult to move and manipulate versus the higher density racks.

Mastel stated that she has discussed this project with Duane Morris, since he plans on using this general area for outdoor event venues in the near future. There is an event this summer that will be sort of a test run with the covered bike area and the event. The idea is that they can move the higher density bike racks out of the covered bike storage and create a staging area or it could be a covered area for the actors or musicians to eat, or you could enclose the area and create a shelter. Tom Stump mentioned that in this area, there is power provided that would service a large-scale event.

Walt Banziger clarified that the three proposed spots have racks on them now, it's the structure and covering that does not exist yet.

Stump asked if the roof would overhang the pad to protect the bikes. The roof would overhang the pad by a couple feet, so it should cover the bikes. However, the bikes would not be protected against rain because it's not a secured covered parking area that you would find in a parking garage or a basement of a building. This would be a permanent structure that can be used all year long.

Stump asked how tall the lowest component is. Banziger guessed about ten feet up. He also asked about the structures being lit. Mastel said that they will not be lit. They chose spots that were prime locations which already have lighting, existing amenities, large classrooms, lecture halls, and where the demand is high.

EJ Hook mentioned that a benefit of the new bike storage is that it would disseminate the large cluster of bikes that are on the Centennial Mall side by providing a more desirable parking facility at the back of Reid Hall encourage bicyclists to use premiere parking off of Centennial Mall if it is well thought out and executed. The hope is that they can drive the bike parking off the mall so that it has cleaner look.

Banziger asked about the timing for the three installations. Mastel said that they are starting with the first one, which is Reid Hall. They only have a budget right now for the smallest project. Originally, they wanted to have it done by summer, which she doesn't believe will happen. However, they would like to get the project started soon and take advantage of the budget that has been set up for it.

Butler asked if she is asking for approval of all three sites so that she doesn't need to come back to UFPB. Mastel confirmed that to be correct. Mastel said that if the UFPB members are not comfortable with that, she can come back to UFPB to show them the designs since they are more custom than the one shown today.

Fastnow motioned to approve the recommendation and Leslie Schmidt and Stump seconded the motion.

Mastel clarified that UFPB is approving the three sites plus the concept design that was shown for Reid Hall. Mastel will need to present the designs for the other two structures for UFPB as consent agenda items.

The motion was unanimously approved.

The Vote:

Yes: 10

No: 0

This meeting was adjourned at 3:52.

CM:am

PC:

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