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Facility Advisory Committee Meeting Summary: November 13, 2015

## **Committee Members in Attendance:**

Steve Bolyai, Administration and Finance  
Wartyna Davis, College of Humanities and Social Sciences  
Pam Ferguson, Institutional Advancement  
Kevin Garvey, Physical Plant Operations  
Sabrina Grant, Athletics Nick Diminni, Campus and Residence Life  
Greg Mattison, Climate Action Committee  
Loretta McLaughlin-Vignier, College of Arts and Communication  
Lance Risley, College of Science and Health Bob Seal, President's Office  
Janis Strasser, College of Education  
Richard Stomber, Administration  
Nina Trelisky, Registrar  
Nancy Weiner, Library

## **Distribution:**

Stephen Hahn, Academic Affairs  
Siamack Shojai, Cotsakos College of Business

The summary of our meeting on November 13 meeting is below. The summary is intended to include all major points of discussion. Please recommend any additions or modifications.

## **Membership:**

Nancy Weiner has joined the committee representing the David and Lorraine Cheng Library. Loretta McLaughlin-Vignier has joined the committee representing the College of Arts and Communication. A representative has not been identified from the College of Business.

## **Capital Plan:**

The three year capital plan approved by the Board of Trustees last Spring was reviewed with the committee. This list is modified during the course of the fiscal year in order to resubmit an updated version for Board review and approval in the Spring of 2016. Completed projects in FY2016 include the Ben Shahn/Pioneer and Heritage Elevator Modernizations, Football Field Bleachers, Valley Road Pond Plaza, and Pioneer and Heritage Showers. Several transportation projects have been completed including the reorienting of East Road (University Drive), and paving of Lots 2, 4, and the entry to Ben Shahn.

After completing an 18 month evaluation period to explore the potential to perform HVAC improvements in campus buildings, the University decided that it is more advantageous to perform those

**New Academic Building:**

The name of the building will officially be University Hall. A firm date for project completion and occupancy remains to be determined. A formal assessment of the schedule will be made in August and an anticipated occupancy date will be announced. A mock-up of the standard office furniture for the new building was well received. The Development Office will need to provide input on the existing Nel Bolger signage in Hunziker and content for the feature wall in Main Lobby.

**Three Year Capital Plan:**

RS reviewed the capital projects being proposed for FY16. Currently 13 projects totaling \$4.075 million have been identified and will be presented in May to the Board of Trustees. The annual target for the next three years has been lowered to approximately \$4 million annually to account for funding cuts from the State.

Members of the committee were asked for ongoing input on other potential projects. The plans for new main field bleachers were reviewed. The new bleachers will provide ADA access. The need for new signage on the existing press box, which will be reused, was discussed. Funding has been included for renewing the traffic turnaround and entrance to Ben Shahn. Most projects anticipated to be performed over the summer recess have been awarded or are out to bid.

**Custodial Services:**

RS reviewed a benchmarking and assessment exercise that was performed for Custodial Services. A formal presentation of the findings was made previously in conjunction with the budgeting process. In summary the exercise confirmed that overall cleaning and staffing levels were appropriate. Additionally, areas for improvement in each building were identified. One area that requires further discussion is the custodial services responsibility for routine cleaning of private offices.

**Gender Neutral Restrooms:**

More than one area of the University has expressed the desire to create bathroom facilities that serve all members of the community by increasing the number gender neutral facilities. RS advised that the plumbing code in NJ does not consider bathroom stalls that have not been designated specifically male or female as contributing towards the minimum number of fixtures. Since buildings are typically designed with the minimum number of fixtures for cost reasons, there are few gender neutral bathrooms around campus. The only public gender neutral bathrooms are in Science Hall East (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor), Hobart Manor, and Shea Lower Level. The designs for University Hall and Hunziker Renovation do not include any

gender neutral bathrooms. The committee recommended that the inclusion of gender neutral facilities be continuously considered in future renovations and new construction.

**Residential Update:**

SB reviewed the plans for the Residential Zone, which will be presented to the Board of Trustees in May. Potentially two new residence halls between 250 and 300 beds would be constructed by 2020. The buildings are intended to be constructed sequentially and only if demand is present. Overlook North would be demolished and renovations to Overlook South would be performed. The first building would be in the vicinity of High Mountain East and West. The second would be on the site of Overlook North.