



**WILLIAM
PATERSON
UNIVERSITY**

300 POMPTON ROAD • WAYNE, NEW JERSEY 07470-2103

Summary – Facilities Advisory Committee, July 18, 2017

Committee Members:

Kristin Foley, Athletics
Jim Shelley, Physical Plant Operations
Pam Ferguson, Institutional Advancement
Richard Stomber, Administration
Susan Astarita, Registrar
Stephen Hahn, Academic Affairs
Daryl Moore, College of Arts and Communication
Michael Yakubov, College of Business

Distribution:

Steve Bolyai, Administration and Finance
Miki Cammarata, Student Development
Wartyna Davis, College of Humanities and Social Sciences
Nick Diminni, Campus and Residence Life
Greg Mattison, Climate Action Committee
Janis Strasser, College of Education Bob Seal, President's Office
Lance Risley, College of Science and Health
Nancy Weiner, Library

The summary of our meeting on July 18 is below is below. The summary is intended to include all major points of discussion.

Membership:

Students to serve on the committee have not been identified by SGA or Student Development. Steve Hahn has vacated the position held for the Provost's Office. Daryl Moore attended for Loretta McLaughlin-Vignier. Kristin Foley attended for Sabrina Grant, and Susan Astarita attended for Enrollment Management.

RS advised that Michael Yakubov has joined the committee as a representative for the College of Business.

Projects Completed, Ongoing and Planned:

RS reviewed the approved list of capital projects that were presented to the BOT in June. FY17 completed projects were reviewed as were ongoing projects in FY18, and projects being planned in the future. Progress and timelines for Hunziker and the New Residence Hall were discussed.

In approaching larger projects, such as building renovation the committee discussed the pros and cons of new construction versus renovation. While renovation projects typically result in more change orders and are more functionally and aesthetically restricted, they can result in significantly less cost. Supporting information was presented that the renovated space provided in the Hunziker Wing was 22% (\$6 million) less expensive than corresponding new construction at University Hall.

Library Projects:

RS reviewed 7 independent sub-projects that have the overall goal of transforming the interior spaces and function of the Library to meet contemporary needs and expectations. While these projects have not yet been approved, the model serves as one example of how improvements can be proposed in ala carte manner to be implemented or deferred as funding and priority allows.

Shuttle Bus:

The committee was given the opportunity to review the current plans for the shuttle bus service including the new RFP, survey results, the need for new “wrapping”, and other factors. DM expressed concern of the shuttle bus speed when approaching and leaving the shuttle bus stop at Power Arts. Similar observations have been occasionally made at College Hall.

Tack Boards:

The committee was also asked to provide comments on the use of tack boards placed outside of faculty offices. The College of Social Sciences and Humanities has asked for tack boards to be placed outside the 38 new offices for English and Philosophy faculty offices in Preakness Hall. These faculty members are moving from the Atrium, which had tack boards installed at the time of its construction in the mid 90's. While common area tack boards have been installed in for specific academic activities or departments, tack boards have not been provided for faculty in more recent renovations in Science Hall East and University Hall. The committee discussed the issue and felt that tack boards could potentially provide some useful information but overall were not necessary to the academic mission of the University.

Other Business:

DM questioned if there were any considerations or planning studies that focused on making the campus more pedestrian friendly. RS mentioned that there are no immediate plans to make pedestrian improvements to the campus, particularly any connections between Power Arts and the Main Campus. RS did mention that additional pedestrian circulation improvements may be required at Preakness Hall, Hunziker Hall and the New Residence Hall. It was also noted that pedestrian improvements are required between High Mountain, Hillside and Century Halls.

DM also asked that ADA access from the Hobart Hall parking lot into the building be confirmed for compliance.

MY said he believed that some of the common areas of Valley Road require a “facelift” and that MBA students use facility appearance in comparison shopping. He will work with RS on providing a list of suggestions for improvement including digital signage and window treatments. PF echoed citing that the pond plaza would be a great place for an alumni event but the stained concrete made the area undesirable.

The committee also expressed the need for better exterior wayfinding. RS advised that the current exterior wayfinding and signage standards were implemented between 2008 and 2010 and were a direct result from the 2003 Master Facilities Plan. While RS remains open to additional wayfinding signage, new wayfinding standards would likely follow a rebranding or capital initiative.