

**Physical Environment Committee**  
**16 November 2011**  
**Regents Room, Chapman Hall**  
**8:30 AM – 10:00 AM**

**Minutes**

**Present:** Banks, Boehm, Current, Ebersole, Fendrich, Horowitz, Padway, Rabinowitz, Schuck, Stoner, Strickler, Surerus, Wolf; ex officio King, Kuiper, Schmidt, Schuttey

**Absent:** Bradbury, Brown, Emmons, Fendrich, Hanlon, Jen, Petersen, Ritchie-Kohlberg

I. *Call to Order.* Meeting was called to order at 8.30 a.m.

II. *Approval of 19 October 2011 Minutes.* Minutes were approved as amended.

III. *Update on Committees*

- A. Space Planning. Phyllis King presented information on the space planning committee citing the processes involved in approval of all space requests. The committee recommends spaces and does not provide funding. The committee's website [http://www4.uwm.edu/acad\\_aff/planningbudget/space/spc/agendas-minutes-docs.cfm](http://www4.uwm.edu/acad_aff/planningbudget/space/spc/agendas-minutes-docs.cfm) contains details of their activities and documentation. The committee roster is available at: [http://www4.uwm.edu/acad\\_aff/planningbudget/space/spc/roster.pdf](http://www4.uwm.edu/acad_aff/planningbudget/space/spc/roster.pdf)
- B. Naming Subcommittee (Chair, Kristene Surerus). Surerus reported on the activities of the naming committee. A request by a subcommittee member regarding using CSM in part of the name of the building was submitted to Robin Van Harpen for input. At this time, it is not recommended that we pursue including reference to CSM. In addition, naming the buildings each separately may be more desirable.
- C. Transportation Subcommittee (Chair Jennifer Earle-Boehm). Boehm reported that the committee:
  - i. is requesting a cost analysis for cell phone signal boosters for all levels of the Pavilion;
  - ii. listened to a Student Association presentation of a concept to convert Pavilion parking to complete student management with availability primarily, but not exclusively to students. The parking fee for students would be free and supported by an increase in segregated fees.
  - iii. reviewed the information on the transportation budget and approved it. After brief initial discussion, approval of the budget was moved to *V. New Business*.

*Moved, seconded, and unanimously approved to move the transportation budget discussion to V. New Business. C.*

IV. *Old Business*

- A. Update on the \$240M Initiative (Claude Schuttey) Kurt Binter and Claude Schuttey presented information on the status of construction and approvals of various stages of development for the following buildings.
  - i. School of Public Health and Signage. Construction viewing is available on line using live webcam. Schuttey and Binter also discussed sign designs

which are being developed for new construction and which will be brought to the PEC, possibly at the next meeting.

- ii. School of Freshwater Sciences. Construction is expected to begin this spring.
- iii. Kenwood Interdisciplinary Research Complex – Phase I. The project is at the 10% phase. The plan is that this will be at 35% by February 2012 and will be presented to the SBC and BOR in March.
- iv. Northwest Quadrant (NWQ). The pre-design is moving ahead, which means we will be looking at the whole facility to determine the best use of the space and its condition and will be making recommendations for actions that will bring the space up to acceptable standards.

#### V. *New Business*

- A. Update on All Agency Construction Projects on Campus. (Andy Nelson & Kurt Young Binter) Binter and Nelson presented information on current construction projects and directed the committee to the website for additional information: [www.cp.uwm.edu/projects](http://www.cp.uwm.edu/projects). The projects tab shows mechanical infrastructure, building, and roofing projects. Binter pointed out the roofing project at the Alumni House (which is on the National Historic Register) is also on the site and worthy of viewing.
- B. Photovoltaic Cells at USBR. Interim Dean David Yu presented information on our collaboration with MATC on the use of photovoltaic cells as a source of renewable energy. MATC is donating between fifty to sixty cell modules. Implementation of the use of these cells would require verification that the soil of the USBR has been cleared of contaminants; Schuttey directed the question of verification to Robin Van Harpen.
- C. Transportation Subcommittee Budget Proposal. The subcommittee approved the budget at its meeting and brought it to the floor of the PEC. After lengthy discussion of the budget and the process for approving the budget, the PEC took the following action:

*Moved, seconded, and unanimously approved to return the transportation budget proposal to the subcommittee for further information and further study.*

*(H. Rabinowitz suggested that the information that will be brought to the PEC be presented in graphical format.)*

Stoner stated that the subcommittee also has a motion and recommendation to the PEC regarding transportation. The Transportation Subcommittee moved that the PEC urge campus administrators to form a special transportation committee and to include an outside consultant to study UWM's transportation and parking issues and develop long term recommendations, policies, and goals. This motion was deferred to the next PEC meeting in December.

#### VI. *Other*

- a. 2013-15 Capital Budget Update Timeline. Updates deferred to the next meeting.

VII. *Adjournment.* The meeting was adjourned at 10.15 a.m.