

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Physical Environment Committee

21 October 2015

SARUP 191

8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Minutes

Present: Duce, Genzmer, Fitzenberger, Fredlund, Tabatabai, Heathcote Huddleston, Nelson, Smith, Sorenson, Stoner, Wallick, Wiseman, Florsheim; *ex officio* Hurtado, Nanda, Schmidt, Schuttey

Absent: Kennedy, Lundeen, Zafra; *ex officio* Surerus, Van Harpen

- I. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 8.30.
- II. Approval of Agenda and Minutes
 - a. Approval of Agenda. The agenda was approved as submitted.
 - b. Approval of Minutes of 16 & 30 September 2015. The minutes were approved as submitted.
- III. New Business
 - a. Approve the meeting schedule for the PEC Academic Year 15-16 (LeRoy Stoner).
Moved, seconded, and unanimously approved to hold the committee meetings on the third Wednesday of the month from 8.30-10a.m.
 - b. Nominate and approve *ex officio* members of the two subcommittees. Discussion took place regarding *ex officio* membership on both the Transportation and Naming subcommittees.

Moved, seconded, and unanimously approved to have Keri Duce represent University Relations on both subcommittees. Also approved that LeRoy Stoner would approach Jim Hill as the Student Affairs representative for both subcommittees. In addition to the ex officio discussion, Ryan Sorenson, student member of the PEC agreed to membership in both subcommittees. The committee agreed.

The Transportation subcommittee also needs additional faculty membership. Volunteers will be solicited at the next meeting of the PEC.
- IV. Old Business
 - a. Update on Space Planning and Capital Budget. Geoff Hurtado presented information regarding space (very little available); detailed the donation of office equipment from BMO Harris; answered questions regarding the space being used in NWQ (60% is unusable at this point); explained the changes to Sabin with regard to the location of Physics and Anthropology.

b. Electronic Cigarette Smoking Policy/Vaping. Wendy Huddleston presented information on and provided several handouts regarding the smoking policies at various campuses: the UW-La Crosse Tobacco Policy; a document with the links to various UW campuses policies on smoking/tobacco free environments; the UWM policy on smoking; and suggestions for changes to the UWM policy (attached). It was agreed that further education of the campus, particularly students (the largest group using e-cigarettes is 18-24 year olds), on the health impact of vaping would be beneficial as the PEC considers changes to the policy regarding smoking. Concerns about enforcement, questions about personal freedom were also discussed. Huddleston offered to coordinate a working group on tobacco use and vaping regulations. Stoner and Schmidt volunteered.

c. Parking and Transit Budget Process Update. Nanda presented an update on the Parking/Transit activities based in part on the Nygaard recommendations including: working with Milwaukee County on improvements to MCTS schedules; remote shuttle operations including access to shuttles for students, faculty, and staff; BOSS vehicle use during the day; simplification of parking payments; and expanding park and ride lots. Parking budget: 2014-15 revenues were \$3.8 million from user fees and \$3.7 from student segregated fees, expenses were \$7.4 million. Looking at the 16-17 budget some changes are being considered, discussion took place on these changes and their justification. Additional discussion took place on the use of funds accumulated from parking and transit fees including the historic use of these funds.

V. Reports

a. Campus Barrier Walk Study (Cal Stoffel & Claude Schuttey). Presentation and discussion deferred until the next meeting.

VI. Announcements/Other.

a. Access to buildings (particularly new buildings) and their compliance with ADA requirements was briefly discussed. Schuttey confirmed that the annual classroom report will be presented at the November meeting.

b. Nightwalk. The annual *Nightwalk* will be held on 4 November. The goal of the walk is to identify items (structures, burned out lights, overgrown shrubbery, e.g.) that could pose safety concerns/problems.

VII. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 10 a.m.

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