

UWM Physical Environment Committee
 September 15, 2021
 8:30am – 10:00am
 Teams Meeting

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 8:31 am.
2. Attendance

| Name | Present | Absent |
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| Karyn Frick (FAC) | X | |
| Kate Nelson (AS) | X | |
| Danielle Rintalla (AS) | | X |
| Jocelyn Szczepaniak-Gillece (FAC) | X | |
| James Wasley (FAC) | | X |
| Keri Duce (AS) | X | |
| Christine Evans (FAC) | X | |
| Christi Larson (US) | X | |
| Valerica Raicu (FAC) | X | |
| Stephen White (FAC) | X | |
| Wendy Huddleston (FAC) | X | |
| Kaushal Chari (Dean) | X | |
| Thomas Piccorelli (Dir) | X | |
| Luke Olson (AS) | X | |
| Robert Schneider (FAC) | X | |
| Patrick Reilly (US) | X | |
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| Jen Francis (Dir) | X | |
| Kristene Surerus (FAC) | X | |
| Kristin Van Housen (AS) | X | |
| Karen Wolfert (AS) | X | |
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Others in attendance: Mike Priem, Ann Swartz, Melissa Spadanuda

1. Welcome to new members to the PEC
2. Approval of May 19, 2021 Meeting Minutes. Meeting minutes were approved by consensus.

3. Approval of meeting agenda. Agenda was approved by consensus.
4. Election of Committee Chair and Vice Chair.
 - a. Chair nominations
 - i. Jen Francis accepted temporary Chair duties at 8:37 a.m.
 - ii. Wendy Huddleston nominated and seconded (Wolfert/Nelson). The committee unanimously elected Huddleston as Chair for the 2021-2022 academic year.
 - iii. Huddleston returned to Chair duties at 8:39 a.m.
 - b. Vice Chair
 - i. Stephen White nominated and seconded (Wolfert/Huddleston). The committee unanimously elected White as Vice Chair of the PEC for the 2021-2022 academic year.
5. Establish membership of sub-committees
 - a. Campus Facility Naming subcommittee
 - i. Term ending 2024 (2 Faculty, 1 Academic Staff)
 1. Christine Evans (FAC; Chair)
 2. Jocelyn Szczepaniak-Gillece (FAC)
 3. Tom Piccorelli (AS)
 - ii. Term ending 2023 (2 Faculty, 1 University Staff)
 1. Luke Olson (AS)
 2. Kaushal Chari (Dean, FAC)
 3. Karyn Frick (FAC)
 - iii. Ex-officio (serves by virtue of office)
 1. Keri Duce
 2. Adam Schemm
 3. Tammy Haberman
 - b. Transportation Sub-committee
 - i. Existing members
 1. Joceyln Szczepaniak-Gillece
 2. Stephen White (Chair)
 3. Christine Evans
 - ii. Needed members (1 Faculty, 1 University Staff, 1 Academic Staff)
 1. Robert (Bob) Schneider (FAC)
 2. Patrick Reilly (US)
 3. Kate Nelson (AS)
 - iii. Ex-officio members
 1. Alyssa Conrardy

2. Prasanna Nanda
3. Melissa Spadanuda
4. Andy Thimmesch

6. Old Business

a. Campus construction updates (NWQ, Union, Klotsche Annex, etc.; Jen Francis)

- i. Student union renovation – starting this fall through 2023 to include mechanical, circulation, lighting, cleaning the exterior, replacing the canopy, and creating a west entry off Maryland. The building will stay open throughout the year
- ii. Klotsche annex. consists of a 16,000 square foot expansion and includes a full-size basketball court and conditioning center and video room among other amenities. Groundbreaking ceremony occurred 8/25/2021.
- iii. NWQ renovations continue and include safety updates, repairs and remodeling, nursing sim center, student health center. Anticipate building C & D 2022 completion. New entry of building B work to be done in 2022-2023. Floors 3,4, 7,8 in building D and floor 7 in building C are the focus this year. Building A will be demolished in June 2022.
- iv. Chemistry building will begin in January 2022 with anticipated completion in 2024.
- v. Ongoing work on Sandberg Hall. North tower work is completed and is now occupied. West tower is the next phase in the development. This was one of two of the last projects from the 2021-2023 biennium approved in July.
- vi. Great Lakes Research Facility dock wall renovation. Campus planning is currently researching options for replacement. One required feature is to preserve some natural habitat around the area. Anticipate hiring an architect this fall. This was the second of the last two projects to be approved in July 2021.
- vii. FPM group currently preparing 2023-2025 capitol budget requests.
- viii. Questions raised:
 1. Master campus planning last occurred in 2010. Is there a plan to update? Currently planning is occurring in quadrants. Space optimization work also contributes to the master plan.
 2. Renovation of student union - Concerns were raised about structural integrity of the pedestrian bridge. Campus planning has looked at structural integrity in the past and has another study scheduled. It is currently safe for pedestrian traffic.

b. Update on Space Optimization Project (Melissa Spadanuda)

- i. This task force is evaluating all campus spaces. Space is an important resource and UWM has spaces not currently used optimally. This project is assessing our current spaces and what units need. Long term, the group will establish practices to be more flexible and nimble with space allocation. The data collection phase started this summer with administrative spaces and will be working towards academic spaces this academic year. A gap analysis will follow. Spadanuda will share more details after the larger stakeholder meeting in October.

7. New Business

- a. Report of Space Planning Subcommittee (Kristene Surerus). The committee heard few requests over the summer. CHS request early in the summer that was approved. A few requests are coming forward as people may be displaced with Union renovation. Space Planning committee has information on the Provost's website.
 - b. Creation of intentional "recovery" spaces to ease and support UWM community members in their return to campus (Adam Jussel). Deferred to October meeting.
8. Closed session - The Physical Environment Committee may move into closed session as permitted by Wis. Stats. sec. 19.85(1)(e) for the purposes of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. *No closed session items scheduled for this meeting.*
9. Adjourn. Meeting was adjourned by consensus at 9:08 am.