

UWM Physical Environment Committee

April 17, 2024

8:30am – 10:00am (Teams)

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to order.
2. Attendance.

Name	Present	Absent
Ben Church (FAC)	X	
Hobart Davies (FAC)	X	
Jeb Willenbring (FAC)		X
Jocelyn Szczepaniak-Gillece (FAC)	X	
John Boyland (FAC)	X	
Karen Wolfert (AS)	X	
Kaushal Chari (Dean)	X	
Konstantin Sobolev (FAC)		X
Nicole Oswald (AS)	X	
Nicole Stelzner (AS)	X	
Philip Warren (AS)	X	
Rick Koehler (US)	X	
Robert (Bob) Schneider (FAC)	X	
Rose Sauers (US)	X	
Stephen White (FAC)	X	
Tim Steffan (US)		X
Valerica (Vali) Raicu (FAC)		X
Wendy Huddleston (FAC)	X	
< > GFC rep		
< > APBC rep		
Tanner Cronce (student member)		X
Meghan Murphy-Lee (AS) <i>ex-officio</i>	X	
Jen Francis (Dir) <i>ex-officio</i>	X	
Kristene Surerus (FAC) <i>ex-officio</i>	X	
Carrie Driscoll (AS) <i>ex-officio</i>	X	
Mike Priem (AS) <i>ex-officio</i>	X	
Melissa Spadanuda (AVC) <i>ex-officio</i>	X	

Others in attendance: Gretchen Miller, Eric Leaf

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:33 AM
2. Automatic consent
  - a. February 21, 2024 minutes.
    - i. Approved

b. Meeting Agenda.

i. Approved with the following adjustments:

1. Date corrected to April 17, 2024
2. Adjustment of Agenda items to slot the Naming Subcommittee after 4ii – Construction Updates to accommodate availability of Chair Jocelyn Szczepaniak-Gillece

3. Old Business – none

4. New Business

i. Classroom utilization report (Mike Priem)

1. Mike Priem provided a report detailing classroom utilization and demand from Fall 2023, including mention of planned adjustments to UWM's classroom inventory in response to that data through capital funded projects and management of general assignment classrooms (adjusting capacities and taking rooms off-line). Mike also shared details of 4 projects requested through the 2025-27 biennial capital budget.

ii. Construction updates were provided by Jen Francis, including the following highlights:

1. Several Large project near completion
  - a. OHOW Center
  - b. Mitchell Hall
  - c. Union
  - d. NWQ Entry / Landscape
    - i. Will open around June, contingent on completion of greenspace work.
  - e. EMS 9/10
2. Under construction
  - a. Chem May/June Occupancy, through September
  - b. Prep for demo of CHM (2025)
  - c. Soccer Field turf replacement.
  - d. Exterior repairs for CUN/CHA
  - e. Ext. & Chiller repairs at KEN
  - f. Children's Ctr roof & parapet
  - g. Ramp replacements
  - h. Lapham Façade repairs
  - i. Pavement/Lot repairs
  - j. GML
    - i. Roosevelt Room > Lubar Study Center
    - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Graduate Student Study

- iii. 1-3 Repairs
  - k. AUP Studio Renovations & Exterior Repairs
  - l. GLRF Dockwall repairs
  - m. Sale of Chancellor's Residence and Puren Hall
  - n. Waukesha (2025) and Washington (2024) closures
- 3. Questions-
  - a. What is the status of NWQ HRS project?
    - i. KW- Predesign is wrapping and moving into design work in the coming months. Not yet funded for construction but expect support.

- iii. Transportation sub-committee motion (Stephen White). MOTION(White): **Endorse recommendation to the City of Milwaukee to change all remaining 30 mph speed limit signs on streets within and adjacent to the UWM Kenwood campus to 25 mph.** Specifically, this would reduce the speed limit on Kenwood Avenue (Oakland to Downer), Hartford Avenue (Oakland to Downer), and Maryland Avenue (Hartford to Edgewood).
  - 1. Professor Bob Schneider presented background of the request.
  - 2. The motion was approved and carries forward.
  - 3. Discussion around the Edgewood traffic calming project.
  - 4. Request for clarification on need for, and placement of, stop-sign outside the Grounds building on the North KC driveway.

## 5. Standing business

- a. Space Planning Subcommittee (Kristene Surerus).
  - i. A meeting was held on April \_\_, approving three requests:
    - 1. SARUP, AUP 191 swap for AUP 158 to accommodate expansion of studio classes and eventually an expansion of the rapid prototyping lab.
    - 2. ARC Disability Cultural Center and Sensory Rooms in MIT 191/195 suite.
    - 3. FYBP expansion at NWQB-5 for growing enrollment (300 – 450), for faculty officing and an additional classroom.
- b. Weather-related campus accessibility task force (Meghan Murphy-Lee)
  - i. Will be a 'working group'
  - ii. First meeting next Tuesday, 4/\_\_\_ at 11:00am to decide a name, elect a chair and refine wording of the goal.
  - iii. This is a limited term, with intent to have final recommendations and implementation completed going into Winter 2024.

- iv. Will take a vote at final PEC meeting (May) to extend beyond 2023-24 session.
  - c. ADAAC (Meghan Murphy-Lee).
    - i. Last meeting centered around accessibility of classrooms, particularly large, tiered-floor lecture halls.
    - ii. Working on learning modules (in CETL) which professors can place in their syllabus to guide students to resources.
- 6. 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.
  - a. The Committee entered closed session at 9:01 AM.
  - b. Naming sub-committee action brought to the PEC by Jocelyn Szczepaniak-Gillece.
  - c. A confidential naming request has been approved by the Naming Subcommittee and is brought to PEC for approval and advancement.
  - d. Eric Leaf provided background information related to the proposed naming action; representing two gifts made by community members who are friends of the University.
  - e. The request to move the naming request forward was approved after a motion by Rose Sauers, seconded by Stephen White.
  - f. The Committee moved out of closed session at 9:16
- 7. Announcements
  - a. Wendy will not be available at May meeting, so Stephen White will step in as Chair.
- 8. Meeting adjournment at 9:41 AM.
- 9. Next meeting: Wednesday, May 15, 2024, 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.