



UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE

General Faculties Council
Facilities Development Committee
Approved Open Session Minutes

Thursday, October 25, 2012
Room 3-07, South Academic Building
1:30 PM – 4:30 PM

ATTENDEES:

Voting Members:

Colleen Skidmore	Provost and Vice-President (Academic) or Delegate
Andy Cheema	Students' Union Vice-President (Academic) or Delegate
Naseeb Adnan	Graduate Students' Association Vice-President (Academic) or Delegate
Don Hickey	Vice-President (Facilities and Operations) or Delegate
Erasmus Okine	Academic Staff
Joanne Profetto-McGrath	Academic Staff
Elisabeth Le	Academic Staff
Debbie Feisst	Academic Staff
Phil Haswell	Support Staff
Caitlin Marchak	Undergraduate at-large
Loren Kline	Academic Staff, cross-representative from GFC Academic Planning Committee

Non-Voting Members:

Ben Louie	University Architect or Delegate
Bernie Kessels	Vice-Provost and University Registrar or Delegate
Bart Becker	Associate Vice-President (Facilities and Operations)

Regrets:

Shannon O'Byrne	Academic Staff
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Presenter(s):

Emily Ball	Community Relations Officer (Office of University Relations, Community Relations)
Bart Becker	Associate Vice-President (Facilities and Operations)
Ben Louie	University Architect, Office of the University Architect (Facilities and Operations)
Len Rodrigues	Senior Principal, Stantec Architecture Ltd
Hugh Warren	Executive Director (Operations and Maintenance, Facilities and Operations)

Staff:

Ann Hodgson	Coordinator, GFC Facilities Development Committee
Marion Haggarty-France	University Secretary

OPENING SESSION

1. Approval of the Agenda

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Motion: Kline/Le

THAT the GFC Facilities Development Committee approve the Agenda.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Open Session Minutes of September 27, 2012

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Motion: Profetto-McGrath/Kline

THAT the GFC Facilities Development Committee approve the Minutes of September 27, 2012.

CARRIED

3. Comments from the Chair

Chair Dr Colleen Skidmore thanked Dr Elisabeth Le for serving as Acting Chair at the September 27, 2012 meeting of FDC.

[Scribe's Note: Mr Nathan Andrews, GSA Vice-President (Academic) represented the GSA on behalf of Mr Naseeb Adnan until 2:35 p.m., at which time Mr Adnan arrived to resume his GSA appointee role.]

DISCUSSION ITEMS

4. Dentistry Pharmacy Building Redevelopment

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenters: Bart Becker, Associate Vice-President (Facilities and Operations); Ben Louie, University Architect, Office of the University Architect (Facilities and Operations); Hugh Warren, Executive Director (Operations and Maintenance, Facilities and Operations); Len Rodrigues, Senior Principal, Stantec Architecture Ltd

Purpose of the Proposal: To bring forward as a discussion item, the Dentistry/Pharmacy Building Redevelopment – renew and repurpose.

Discussion:

Chair, Dr Colleen Skidmore, invited Mr Bart Becker to introduce the Dentistry/Pharmacy Building Redevelopment report. Mr Becker provided a preamble to the vision of the extensive redevelopment project. Mr Ben Louie joined Mr Becker in welcoming Mr Hugh Warren and Mr Len Rodrigues to the table, supported by members of the presentation team.

Mr Louie highlighted key elements contributing to “whole campus planning”, including the enhancing of campus experience and connectivity to transit points. Mr Warren provided a detailed synopsis of the Dentistry/Pharmacy Building redevelopment project, advising that the conceptual process has transformed into shell and core development, with a renewal of academic and administrative elements. Mr Warren noted the electronic availability of the draft schematic design report to be made accessible to FDC members for their perusal in advance of the November 2012 meeting of GFC FDC. Aided by a detailed power-point presentation, Mr Len Rodrigues provided an indepth review of the two previous visioning sessions, identifying key points developed through this consultation process, including “where we are”, goals, challenges and process.

During the ensuing discussion, presenters addressed questions and comments including, but not limited to, the

following: retaining the building's historical value and features, use of glass materials to manage sun/shading and acoustics, building naming possibilities, current functionality and role of Slowpoke to the U of A, functional and design considerations of the two types of building entries (formal/informal), and LRT entrance plans. Mr Becker added that the building entry points will be articulated within the future report coming to GFC FDC.

The Chair thanked all members of the presentation team for their comprehensive report.

5. Proposed Amendment of the University's Long Range Development Plan (LRDP)

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenters: Bart Becker, Associate Vice-President (Facilities and Operations); Ben Louie, University Architect, Office of the University Architect (Facilities and Operations); Emily Ball, Community Relations Officer (Office of University Relations, Community Relations)

Purpose of the Proposal: For discussion/information. To provide an update to the Facilities Development Committee (FDC) on the current planning and consultations that have taken place to date with respect to a proposed amendment to the University's Long Range Development Plan (LRDP), and more specifically Sectors 12, 13 and 14 located at the University's South Campus.

Discussion:

Chair, Dr Colleen Skidmore, invited Mr Bart Becker to introduce the proposed Amendment of the University's Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) report. Mr Becker, joined by Mr Ben Louie, welcomed University's Lead Community Consultant, Ms Emily Ball, to the table. Mr Bart Becker provided an in-depth review of the Public Open House Presentation Boards (as presented to the community on September 26, 2012), highlighting "smart growth principles" and "planned communities principles". Mr Becker indicated that key stake-holders have been engaged throughout the consultation period to date. Mr Becker identified the sustainable systems addressed within the presentation boards including seven sustainable themes of development: Energy Efficiency, Waste and Wastewater Management, Water and Stormwater Management, Ecology and the Environment, Transportation, Built Environment and Healthy and Complete Communities.

Mr Ben Louie addressed the "phased development" presentation board, as originally prepared for information sharing and discussion purposes with all communities at the Public Open Houses. Mr Louie confirmed that the University will hold a second community-wide open house in February 2013.

Ms Emily Ball reported to members that several opportunities for discussion have occurred with the South Campus Consultation Group (SCCG). Ms Ball reported that on September 26, 2012, the purpose of the Public Open House was to bring communities up to speed on where the University was at, and to provide an opportunity to update communities on the prior discussions with the SCCG. Ms Ball noted that planning is underway for a comprehensive Open House in February 2013, engaging both the University (internal) and communities (external). Mr Becker added that it is of significant value to encourage student presence at the February 2013 Open House in terms of providing feedback to the public regarding student communities. Ms Ball indicated that students are key stakeholders and confirmed there is an internal focus to engage students groups throughout the consultation process.

Ms Ball reviewed the Evaluation Summary regarding the Public Information Open House held September 26, 2012, indicating that all commentary is received over a 21 day period and compiled into an external output document. Key questions and comments are conveyed into valuable feedback for planning purposes.

During the ensuing discussion, presenters addressed questions and comments including, but not limited to, the following: sustainability and development of Sector 14, opportunities for student engagement, proposed student housing space, and clarity of the seven pillars of the LRDP amendment plan. Mr Don Hickey added that the 2002 Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) remains current, and as such, no mandate has been received to change the LRDP. Mr Hickey encouraged future opportunities for discussion to take place at forums such as the February 2013 Open House, and amongst members of the academic community.

Mr Becker reiterated that the Presentation Boards represent extensive supporting documentation which is available for detailed discussion. Members of GFC FDC asked to receive a future informational report detailing the “seven guiding pillars” as outlined within the proposed LRDP Amendment to Land Use Plan for South Campus. Mr Becker agreed to present the related information to GFC FDC for discussion at the January 2013 and March 2013 meetings.

The Chair, Dr Colleen Skidmore thanked the presentation team for their comprehensive report.

6. Projects Update from the Associate Vice-President (Facilities and Operations)

There were no materials.

Presenter: Bart Becker, Associate Vice-President (Facilities and Operations)

Purpose of the Proposal: For discussion/ information.

Discussion:

- PAW Order in Council has been received; ground-breaking ceremony is November 5, 2012
- BALMORAL officially renamed as the Medical Isotope and Cyclotron Facility (UAMICF)
- ICE - crane will be lifted for the ICE building in mid-November 2012
- CPAC - construction has commenced, live web-cam feed to follow the construction progress

7. Question Period

There were no questions.

INFORMATION REPORTS

8. Items Approved by the GFC Facilities Development Committee by E-Mail Ballots

There were no items.

9. Information Items Forwarded to Committee Members Between Meetings

There were no items.

CLOSING SESSION

10. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:20 p.m.