

CAMPUS PLANNING COUNCIL

October 8, 2008 10:00 a.m.

Faculty Senate Conference Rm, Rendezvous Bldg

Council Members

Present: Dan Ames, Patrick Brooks, Steve Chatterton, Larry Ford, Dawn Imel, Karen Kearns, Tony Martin, Alba Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Matt Sanger, Joe Steiner, Jeannie Vahsholtz **Excused:** Denise Bowen, Jim Fletcher, Greg Horton, Dennis Toney **Absent:** Denton Dance, Chris Daniels, Matt Lewis, Lowell Richards

I. Preliminaries

Meeting called to order by Chair, Dan Ames. There was a quorum for voting purposes.

A. Approval of September 3, 2008, Meeting Minutes:

MOTION by Rene Rodriguez to approve minutes as written; seconded by Matt Sanger. Motion carried.

B. Faculty Senate Approvals: Karen Kearns reported the CPC 2007-2008 Annual Report was tabled by Faculty Senate until their meeting next week, to allow time for the Senate members to review the information as they just recently received the report. The report has been posted on the Faculty Senate webpage. They expect to have a discussion on the Sustainability Policy Draft, particularly regarding shutting down the labs over the holidays. If anyone has questions or issues with any of the report, Faculty Senate will send those issues back to Campus Planning for review. She stressed, though the report can be bound as to what was done last year, we need to realize that some issues may not go forward as recommended and may need to be revised. Dawn Imel commented that possibly an addendum could be added to the report at a later date. Matt Sanger stated he is still unsure of the process as to when the Council would know if any of their recommendations were acted upon. Dan Ames commented we could ask Faculty Senate to specifically state what items were approved and sent forward. Karen Kearns noted that Faculty Senate did not specifically ask for any Council members to attend their meeting next Monday, but any CPC member from last year can attend.

II. Activity Reports:

A. Executive Council Report: Dan Ames stated the Executive Council has not met as yet. As per the bylaws, the Executive Council consists of the chair, vice chair, and standing committee chairs. Dan Ames suggested a change to the bylaws to add the past chair and any others as appointed by the chair. He tentatively set an Executive Council meeting for Tuesday, October 28, at 10:00 a.m. Dan Ames suggested that any changes to the bylaws be noted during the year; then, at the end of the end, submit one recommendation to Faculty Senate to include all suggested changes to the bylaws. This would also include the standing committee bylaws.

B. Standing Committee Reports: There are no reports at this time. Chair Dan Ames asked the standing committees to meet prior to the next Council meeting, preferably before the Executive Council meeting on October 28, and to review last year's reports for their particular committee and discuss what items they should focus on for this year. He noted the current bylaws do not require chairs of the standing committees to be faculty members, but this was a Faculty Senate request. Also, the standing committees can include persons who are not on the Council but are considered appropriate for the committee. Review of the current standing committees.

- 1. Bylaws:** Distribution of proposed bylaws by the Facility Access Standing Committee and the Historic Preservation Standing Committee.
- 2. Membership:** A sign-up sheet was distributed for members to designate what standing committees they would like to participate on.

III. Old Business:

A. 2007-2008 Annual Report Update by Denise Bowen: Denise Bowen was unable to attend the meeting. The annual report is on the Faculty Senate agenda for discussion at next Monday's meeting. Dan Ames commented Jim Fletcher, Vice President for Finance and Administration, asked him what the big issues are to be addressed by Campus Planning this year, and that Mr. Fletcher is interested in a pedestrian mall on MLK. Discussion on the pedestrian mall. Larry Ford noted there are a lot of persons, especially the city, who have reservations with the proposal such as fire access and vehicle traffic from Holt Arena and residential areas above campus. He commented the proposal has been presented to the city and the city says no unless alternate routes are established. Matt Sanger commented that Scott Campbell had prepared a plan for the pedestrian mall and suggested the plan be presented to the Council again. He noted there is still a question of whether to go more of an intensive pedestrian-friendly campus or an intensive vehicle-friendly campus. Joe Steiner noted the pedestrian mall concept was a part of the campus master plan and was approved with the master plan. Dan Ames commented the issue has never been totally taken off the table and suggested the Council revisit the proposal. He assigned Jeannie Vahsholtz, as chair of the Beautification Standing Committee, to follow up on presenting the pedestrian mall plan to the Council.

B. Bylaw Revisions:

- 1. Staff Council Representative:** Dan Ames stated that, as per Bonnie Frantz, COPE has decided not to be listed as a member of the Planning Council. The Council will continue to have a CEC representative.
- 2. Library Representative:** Karen Kearns from the Library and the Faculty Senate representative is currently on the Planning Council. Will discuss the item at the Executive Council meeting.
- 3. Deletion of Bannock County Representative:** No discussion.

IV. New Business:

- A. Housing vs Academic Space:** Dan Ames will invite Steve Anderson, university housing director, to attend a Council meeting to discuss the item. Item tabled.
- B. Bengal Village Plans:** Larry Ford noted a large donation was made for the Bengal Village with land in Teton County, but funds from sale of the land will not be enough to cover the cost of the project. Item tabled.
- C. Naming Request:** A copy of a request by the College of Technology to rename the Industrial Crafts Building was distributed to the members. Dan Ames stated the request will be discussed by the Naming Standing Committee with their recommendation to the Council. He noted if anyone has comments on the request to contact Dorothy Ruth in the Office Finance & Administration.
- D. Pedestrianization of MLK:** (See discussion in Item III.A.)

V. Next meeting: Wednesday, November 12 10:00 a.m. -11:30 a.m. Faculty Senate Conference Room
ADJOURNMENT at 11:00 a.m.

Dan Ames, Chair

Anna Weskerna, Secretary

Note to Secretary: List of suggested bylaw changes --

- 1) Add the past chair and any others as appointed by the chair to the Executive Council.
- 2) Bylaws of Standing Committees.
- 3) Add Library Representative to membership list.
- 4) Delete Bannock County Representative from membership list.

Approved by CPC: November 12, 2008

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