FACILITIES PLANNING COMMITTEE
MINUTES
September 22, 2011

Members Present: Jon Beal; Paul Bylaska;

Others Present: Joyce Overly; Dan Fleming; David Fagan; John Massa; Steve Selker; Ray Puller; Chris Reber; Jack Hubauer

I. Approval of Minutes – April 28, 2011

A general consensus agreed to approve the minutes for April 28, 2011 to be accepted as presented. The motion passed.

II. Additional Agenda Items

Requests have been made to issue the minutes sooner. Paul mentioned that they will try and work on making them available as a sooner date.

III. Old Business

1. Facilities Master Plan

We have gathered a number of revisions and plan to issue the Request for Proposals (RFP) in the next week. Dean Reber had asked if Venango was included and Rein Pold replied that the master plan is not specific about Venango but that they are included with the rest of the whole university. Reber responded that he felt Venango needed its own Facilities Plan.

2. Becht

Paul Bylaska had previously sent an email relating to the Geothermal Well tested and confirmed they have received promising preliminary results. A formal cost analysis is being performed to ensure the benefits outweigh the costs.

John Massa asked if that meant that steam would no longer be installed in new or renovated buildings. Dave Fagan answered that, if geothermal is chosen, heat pumps will be installed instead. When installed, these wells can also be covered and turned into a parking lot or grass planted. This would also qualify for LEED points.

3. Tippin Athletic Facilities

Bylaska shared copies of the completed Feasibility Study for Tippin. In the Study, it recommends that the new natatorium be an expansion to the Recreation Center with the existing natatorium removed to leave the gym section. Jon Basked had asked if
the expansion entailed demolishing the tennis courts and Bylaska responded that it did not.

4. Venango

Reber mentioned that next summer the nursing simulation lab, storm water drainage and the entrance road would begin construction. The simulation lab will be going to bid in November with construction to start after commencement. The storm water drainage will be out for bid in January and work simultaneously with the simulation lab. The entrance road has been submitted to Penn Dot for approval to be under construction in the summer.

The annual DAM inspection is in December. They will also be doing some electrical and carpet work over the holiday break. Steve Selker request that Computing Services be able to review the plans.

5. Rhea Lumber

Bylaska mentioned that the offices have been completed in the main building. There will need to be some roof repair in the parts that are not occupied at this time.

6. Parking

The parking lot at Rhea Lumber is now complete and ready for resident student parking. Additional parking next to Ralston will be assigned for handicap parking per the parking committee and FPC recommendation. Kiosk parking has now been converted to accept credit cards.

7. Gemmell Flag Court

Pold shared plans for placement of a new flag court will be the corner of 8th and Wood Street. The sign has been approved as a brick and block design to match the patterns of the other buildings. Rein passed around preliminary artwork showing what the flag court will look like. Dan Fleming and his crew will begin work on this in spring.

IV. New Business

1. Roller Hockey Rink

Bylaska mentioned that the roller hockey rink has been reinstalled in Lot 6 in response to the recommendation of Student Senate. Fleming added that Penn Fencing will be in on Monday, September 26th to install the fence which would complete the rink. Bylaska mentioned that they have the ability to flood the rink in the winter to convert it to an ice rink.
2. Trustees Facilities Tour

Bylaska had passed out a Status of Facilities report provided to the Trustees their September 15, 2011 meeting and reported on the Trustees Facilities Tour.

3. Key 93

Paul had passed out a 2011-12 Key 93 Nomination list. Steve Selker asked if the Still Hall/Computing Services HVAC project would qualify. Bylaska responded he believes it has already been funded. Jack Hubauer asked about renovation of the steam tunnels. Bylaska said they were looking into another source of funding and looking for the final recommendations from Penn State. Beal asked if supporting this list then that meant we were nominating these jobs to be paid for with Key 93 money and Bylaska responded affirmatively.

Beal asked a vote on the nomination list and the work to be done. The vote was unanimous in favor.

4. Kresge Green Grant

The Kresge Foundation was an organization who provided funding for the Gruenewald Science and Technology building. They have a new program providing matching funds for universities who start a revolving energy fund. Bylaska said the university was well positioned to pursue this and he would recommend to the President to apply for the funding.

5. Director of Facilities Committee Search

Fleming made a mention that they had conducted phone interviews and believed they would be recommending candidates to bring to campus in 2 weeks for on-campus interviews.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting of the Facilities Planning Committee will be held on October 27, 2011.