Campus Planning Committee
February 28, 2012 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Minutes


Members Absent: Gayle Binion, Diana Dyste Anzures

Alternates Present: Chris LaVino

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements.

II. MINUTES

The minutes from January 31, 2012 were approved as written.

III. ACTION ITEMS

A. Student Engagement Center

The Committee, by consensus, recommends that the Chancellor approve the concept for a Student Engagement Center and authorize the project to proceed with site analysis and a Detailed Project Program pending the outcome of the student ballot. The Center will accommodate a number of Associated Students departments and functions that currently occupy temporary buildings, and will also house select Student Affairs’ programs.

Design Review Committee (DRC) Co-Chair Michaelsen explained an objective of the DRC and a principle of the Campus Plan is to decommission and remove temporary buildings once they have been vacated. Co-Chair Michaelsen expressed that this principle should be followed if any temporary buildings are vacated during the course of the project.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Update on Capital Needs – Intercollegiate Athletics

Director Massari presented the space and facility capital needs for Intercollegiate Athletics (ICA). ICA has two main areas of concern regarding their capital needs requirements. These include making venues safe for competition and enhancing existing facilities to better attract and serve student athletes. Enhancements are typically donor funded and do not necessitate external debt. ICA has been addressing needs one project at a time. The “Walk of Champions” is the comprehensive plan produced by ICA to enhance the current facilities along the corridor from Harder Stadium to Rob Gym.

Upgrades to Harder Stadium were completed to host the 2010 NCAA College Cup. These involved several small component projects such as enhancements to the playing surface, the press box, video board, concessions, the Plaza and restrooms. ICA wants to bid on a future NCAA College Cup (2013-2014) but there are additional upgrades required which will cost
approximately $1 Million. Upgrade requirements include new locker rooms, drainage, and few other minor improvements.

There is a planned two phase enhancement project for the Cesar Uyesaka Baseball Stadium. Phase one will install bathroom facilities (currently porta-potties are used) and upgrade the plaza, concessions stand and ticket booth. Phase two will provide lighting and a new playing surface and irrigation for the field.

Pauley track is in disrepair and has several safety concerns and therefore cannot be used for competition. The track is only used for practice. UCSB uses the Westmount College track for its competition. This is the 3rd year without any competitions on the UCSB home track. A two phase enhancement project is being planned. The first phase will address the track and field surfaces and provide temporary spectator seating. This will meet the requirements for a NCAA Regulation Track. Phase two will install lighting, storage, permanent seating and an official entrance.

Softball needs a new clubhouse building. The project is in early planning and site identification. Phase I will include lockers, showers, sports medicine facilities and storage. Phase II will include concessions, restrooms, additional storage, and a ticket booth. The project will come to CPC once more information has been collected.

There are plans for a New Aquatics Center to replace the 71 year old campus pool. The Center would be located on a site currently occupied by basketball courts behind Rob Gym. Phase I of the project would be to replace the campus pool with a 65-meter pool that would allow water polo, swimming and diving to co-exist. All facilities displaced by the Center will be replaced in-kind, the locations have been addressed in the project master plan. Phase II would allow components such as changing rooms, lighting and a PA system to be added and fundraised for individually.

Rob Gym is used for men’s volleyball competition and is a practice facility for several other teams. The Recreation department and Facilities Management have repaired the roof, upgraded the lobby and have future plans for ceiling and internal enhancements. The court is in good condition.

The Events Center (Thunderdome) is vital for the campus. Mechanical/plumbing repairs have been recently completed. The Building was originally built to serve students as an event center with Athletics using Rob Gym; it was then retrofitted to accommodate Athletics by installing locker rooms etc. More recently new sound and lighting systems were installed, the exterior was painted, and student-athlete sports medicine and meeting rooms were added. Currently the locker rooms are being renovated. Future projects include enhancements to the lobby, volleyball locker rooms, new flooring, chair back seating, and a video board.

B. Update on Capital Needs – Gervitz Graduate School of Education
Dean Conoley presented the space needs for Gervitz Graduate School of Education (GGSE). Upon Dean Conoley’s arrival at UCSB and before the construction of the building, changes to the design were requested to further accommodate the needs of the School. These requested
changes were not implemented due to the cost. Since 2007 space has been impacted due to new initiatives. This has resulted in a space deficit of approximately 6,300 ASF within the current building. GGSE is attracting more visitors, but lacks space to accommodate them. The building was planned to attract community meetings and professional development and has been very successful at achieving this goal. As a result the building is fully utilized with no growth capacity. GGSE is working on plans to find a solution to space deficits which includes fundraising. When more information is available GGSE will return to CPC with a project proposal.

C. Update on Capital Needs – Office of Research
Vice Chancellor Witherell presented the space needs for the Office of Research (OR). The Research Division comprises of the Office of Research, Research Administration, Development, Infrastructure, Compliance, Technology Office and the Animal Resource Center. It also includes Organized Research Units which supervise six research units, plus the Natural Reserves and are responsible for the management of approximately 35% of all the extramural funding coming to UCSB.

Research funding and activity is doubling approximately every 10 years. This year should have a 10% increase over last year. OR needs administration to back the enterprise and the facilities to accommodate the growth. Six Organized Research Units (ORUs) and the Natural Reserve System report to the Vice Chancellor of Research. The entire space assigned to the division is approximately 110,000 ASF not including buildings on the reserves which are separate. The only significant OR capital project in past 20 years was the Marine Science Research Building, which dealt with its largest space problem. Other departments are dealing with space inefficiencies internally as part of the unit they are in.

The Neuroscience Research Institute (NRI) occupies 11,000 ASF of laboratory space and 1,100 ASF of administrative space in Biological Science Building 2 (Bio2). OR has been renovating Bio2 as a campaign, piece by piece over time. This included renovation of 10,400 ASF of laboratory space with help from a grant from the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (CIRM) to the Center for Stem Cell Biology and Engineering. The NRI needs 6,000 ASF of additional laboratory space and 1,000 ASF of administrative space to house new researchers and the core microscopy facility. OR is not requesting a new building for this space but will upgrade existing facilities for greater utilization.

The Institute for Terahertz Science and Technology (ITST) occupies 5,700 ASF of laboratory and office space in Broida Hall, including the Free Electron Laser facility. ITST moved 2,000 ASF of office space from Broida Hall to Trailer 927 in 2010 to accommodate Physics Department faculty offices. ITST needs additional laboratory and permanent office space. A new building would be needed to accommodate all the functions of ITST and Physics.

The ARC is the largest primary common research facility on campus and its current size already limits the research program. A renovation was carried out to enable accreditation of facility however, further work is needed. The campus needs to utilize the modern vivarium designed into the Bioengineering Building as soon as possible to support the growing research programs in biomedical science and engineering, and to remain competitive.
OR itself occupies about 3,700 ASF in Cheadle Hall and about 2,000 ASF in trailers near Campus Point where the Technology Office resides. The number and complexity of research contracts continues to grow, as do Federal compliance requirements, the office will need an additional 2,500 ASF of office space over the next several years, or 4,500 ASF total including permanent space to allow for decommission of trailers.

D. Update on Capital Needs – College of Creative Studies
Dean Tiffney presented the space needs for College of Creative Studies (CCS). CCS is a unique institution; it has eight disciplines, with enrollment of approximately 390 students and employs 20 ladder faculty, 7 lecturers and 20 non-senate faculty. CCS attracts highly motivated students and advances them through curriculum as quickly as possible. Each major is guided by faculty in departments who choose to work with CCS. These faculty help to create curriculum and provide advice to students to ensure they have exposure and access to the required expertise. Some classes are taught within CCS but classes taught across campus are not duplicated. CCS ensures students utilize resources offered by the campus as a whole. The College has averaged 12% of UCSB’s Regent’s Scholars with only 2% of enrolled students.

CCS would like a new building as the current facilities are small and dilapidated. CCS has to outsource classes to other spaces on campus due to lack of space. Ideally CCS, which currently occupies 14,800 ASF would have 31,100 ASF. However, a new building would not be a top priority to CCS if they were to secure donor funding. The priority would be to fund the existing programs and help extend the model of CCS to incorporate additional disciplines.

V. INFORMATION & FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

Status Report: Special Projects Subcommittee
No Report.

Status Report: Design Review Committee
The Landscape Subcommittee approved tree planting along Stadium Road and Mesa Road. These were funded by Goleta Valley Beautiful, and they will be planting and maintaining the trees. The new palm trees planted at CNSI were approved with funding secured from a different source.

Status Report: Faculty & Staff Housing
The 22 units of North Campus Faculty Housing Phase I are occupied or in escrow, all should close within the month of March. Phase II is under construction with site grading underway. A first time buyer education program is being devised for the future phases to assist new faculty. The program will contract an external group to act as educators to new buyers and represent them.

Koning Eizenberg has been selected as architect consultant for the KITP Residence. The project will progress into the Detailed Project Program (DPP) phase.
**Status Report: Student Housing**
The Sierra Madre project has moved back to campus delivery and will enter into Design Development. The project is scheduled for completion by 2014 and will construct 500-550 student beds and approximately 30 faculty and staff apartments.

The San Joaquin Apartments project could construct up to 1,000 student beds and is on target for the completion date of 2016. There have been several meetings with the architects and building committee to date and the project is progressing. The fault lines and setbacks are not yet fully delineated.

**Status Report: Major Capital Projects**
Report attached.

**VI. CORRESPONDENCE**

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm
Minutes taken by Michael McGrogan, Office of Budget & Planning