

Space Committee Meeting  
October 13, 2010

Attending:

Patrick Gorenchan, David Dakin, Susan Kamman, Conn Macomber, Alex Enyedi, Barbara McKinney, Bassam Harik, George Kohrman, Anand Sankey, Ariel Anderson, Lowell Rinker

Sustainability Offices:

The Sustainability Office has moved into temporary offices in the lower level of Faunce. Work is continuing to clean-up and then remodel the Upholstery Shop for permanent offices and lab space. Vicki Cox has marked all the existing equipment still in the building for sale at auction. The equipment includes all the old woodworking machines used by Industrial Design. Some discussion involved whether all possible markets were being sent news of the auction, which includes out-of-date equipment that may be considered antiques. The goal is to have the equipment sold and removed by the end of the month or soon after.

FM Projects is preparing an estimate for the white box remodel of the building, plus the estimate for the minimum finishing – enclosed offices, etc. – that will be required to move into the space. There are some details to work out for upgrading the rest rooms.

Center for Academic Success Programs:

CASP is completely moved into the remodeled 1<sup>st</sup> floor of Ellsworth Hall. There are some spaces that still need work done by all spaces are occupied and functional.

There are remaining funds in the project budget. Conn Macomber will look at any issues that still need to be addressed in the building and propose allocation of remaining money.

Ombuds Office:

The Ombudsman and staff have moved into remodeled space in Faunce. There are some furniture changes in the works.

Chemistry Building room 3880:

The Chemistry Department had requested the assignment of room 3880 for tutoring and seminars. The space is a white box, and any proposed use requires providing all standard room finishes and equipment. The College of Arts and Sciences has not approved funds for the proposed use. At this time the room remains “white box” and vacant.

Sangren Hall Building Project:

Massive excavation for the project is starting. The building pit will be 28 feet deep at the deepest end (the west end).

Classroom Space / Construction Update:

Because there is expected to be disruptive noise during Spring Semester when the steel structure is being constructed, the Registrar has relocated most of the scheduled classes out of the classrooms on the south side of existing Sangren.

Upgrades to classrooms and vestibules in Dunbar and Kohrman Halls were completed over the summer. The priority for classroom projects is to upgrade all the classrooms in 'red zone' condition. Conn will provide a summary to Lowell of the status of the 'red zone' classrooms.

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Sindecuse Health Center:

Asbestos abatement is complete, demo is still being done. Most work is being done 3<sup>rd</sup> shift to minimize noise and disruption to the health center. The remodel is expected to be complete late January or early February.

Sprau Tower:

The project to provide open access to the 10<sup>th</sup> floor of Sprau Tower is almost finished. All Sprau entrances are now card access. The 10<sup>th</sup> floor lock in the elevator is having the key core changed so allow open access. The Room Wizard for the 10<sup>th</sup> floor has been ordered.

University Archives:

We are still evaluating several possible sites for the University Archives, including a new building on main campus and the former Kmart store. The decision will be based on a comparison of estimated costs of all the options. There is no funding yet for the project.

New Business:

Lowell apprised the committee that Keith Hearit is organizing two committees to address the long-term planning for academic structures. One of these will probably be an offshoot of the Space Allocation Committee.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, November 10 at 9 a.m. in the Bernhard Center