

## **SPACE ALLOCATION COMMITTEE MEETING**

May 12, 2010

### Attending:

David Dakin, Patrick Gorenchan, Susan Kamman, Vern Payne, Pete Strazdas, Conn Macomber, Anand Sankey, Yvonne Unrau, Nicole Ayres, Jennifer Ligali, Peter Krawutschke, Alex Enyedi, Bassam Harik

### Seita Scholars Program:

The space request for additional rooms in the lower level of Faunce is attached at the end of this report.

Dr. Unrau and two Seita Scholar students discussed how the currently assigned space in the lower level of Faunce is being used and what the issues are with how the space was originally remodeled for the program. The program is proving very successful as a gathering point and helpful resource for the Seita Scholars on campus. There will be 50 additional Seita Scholars this fall plus one more staff position. The Seita program is able to provide assistance with the MYOI - Michigan Youth Opportunities Initiative – which needs space for meetings and related activities. The Faunce spaces have become the first choice for Seita students to meet, study, and seek help. The program needs more space to accommodate all the students that visit and all the activities that are occurring. It is WMU's goal to create a national model for programs of this kind.

There is an additional need for more storage that was not addressed in the space request. Dr. Unrau will meet with Patrick Gorenchan to discuss options for this.

The space request was approved to proceed with planning and cost estimating.

### Sprau Tower: 10<sup>th</sup> Floor

Attached at the end of this report is the description of the proposed use of space and a plan of the 10<sup>th</sup> floor.

Campus Planning presented a proposal for opening up access to the 10<sup>th</sup> floor of Sprau Tower for daytime meetings and for midday use as an alternative lunch spot for the Sprau Cafe. Patrick Gorenchan will send a reminder to Diane Anderson to find out whether or not Dining Services would be interested in this concept. Further discussion was tabled until the next meeting, when Lowell Rinker and Diane Anderson would be present.

### Ellsworth Hall:

The remodel of the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of Ellsworth Hall is almost complete. After EUP moves from the 1<sup>st</sup> floor to the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, remodeling will start on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of Ellsworth for the Center for Academic Success Programs. CASP is expected to move into Ellsworth in late August.

Ombudsman Office:

Remodeling has started in the office space in Faunce that has been assigned to the Ombudsman Office. The Ombudsman is expected to move in early July from temporary spaces in Sangren Hall.

Sangren Hall:

The ground floor of the main wing of Sangren Hall is being prepared to serve as the temporary home of the Education Library. The library move from the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor to the ground floor will start in late May. After the Library is relocated from its current 3<sup>rd</sup> floor location to the ground floor, hazardous materials abatement will begin in the library/lecture hall wing of Sangren Hall. Full demolition of the library/lecture hall wing will start after that.

The Groundbreaking Ceremony for the New Sangren Hall Project will be on June 1 at 8:30 a.m.

Classroom Updates:

The summer maintenance schedule for upgrades to the university classroom stock will begin soon. The goal is to address the worst spaces first, based on a conditions assessment and the Registrar's recommendations. Scheduled tasks include painting and carpeting of selected rooms in Moore and Dunbar Halls.

For future discussion:

Sustainability issues and office needs

The next meeting will be June 9 at 9 a.m. The meeting will be in the Bernhard Center, the room to be announced.