Facilities Planning Committee

Minutes

February 23, 2012

Members Present: Yasser Ayad; Jon Beal; Paul Bylaska; Jack Hubauer; Kayla Lavery; Jennifer May; Ric Taylor

Others Present: Marlene Kennedy; Don Leas (retired faculty); John Massa; Joyce Overly; Rein Pold; Steve Selker; Chad Thomas

I. Approval of Minutes – Members were asked to review their electronic copies. The January minutes will be approved at the March meeting.

II. Additional Agenda Items: No additional agenda items were added.

III. Old Business

1. Facilities Master Plan – Rein Pold

   Rein Pold said that they have been looking at the different committees involved in the process. It was decided that in addition to those who agreed to serve from FPC, Chad Thomas will be added to the selection committee. Depending on the number of vendor responses, they would like to schedule 107/108 Eagle Commons and access the smart classroom equipment to view the presentations. Bids are due March 14th. Jon Beal noted that he had not heard anything on a student participant. He also added that it will be easier for a smaller group to accomplish this task. The other group being discussed is a steering committee comprised of Paul Bylaska, Karen Whitney, Ron Nowaczyk and Harry Tripp who will receive the vendor recommendations.

2. Becht – Ric Taylor

   It is hopeful that tomorrow the university will have floor plans that will be close to the final version. A completion date of spring 2014 is scheduled with move-in after that. A schedule may be available as early as the next meeting of FPC. A phase move-in can be done based on the workloads. Paul Bylaska said that they had relied on the schedule of the AE which had a compressed time period for the university to complete their work. Rein Pold further explained that they try to allow 90 days for the contract to come back from the state and this had been compressed to 30 days.

   Jen May mentioned the drive around Tippin (at the top of Harvey) and if it would need to be closed. Her concern was for those students in wheelchairs. Ric Taylor said they are going to try to keep roads passable, but if there is an instance that they may need to be closed for a day or two, the campus will be notified.
3. Tippin – Ric Taylor

Ric Taylor said that the document that he distributed at the last FPC has put into motion the project. A meeting took place with Dave Katis and his coaches. The selection of the AE will take approximately six months. Rein Pold added that DGS has had budget cuts like everyone else and is working with less staff which extends the timing. Once on campus, the AE will come up with the design. Construction could take two years due to the relocating of some units.

4. Venango – No report

5. Environmental Subcommittee – Rein Pold

The Environmental Subcommittee met with Veolia. Veolia does co-mingle recyclables and then a sub-contractor separates them. Veolia will have new decals for their trucks that are recycling. Students need to be active participants in recycling. The CA’s were involved and educated about the life-cycle of a piece of material by Veolia. Rein Pold said that the turf on the football field is a prime example of a recycled product. Chad Thomas also noted the benches on campus are recycled milk jugs. A student recycling group has started up and Chad will be their advisor. Dr. Ayad noted that visibility will help Clarion’s image in the way of presentable containers and signage and it will tie in with the green buildings on campus.

IV. New Business

1. Eagle Alert

Paul Bylaska spoke about the recent test of the Eagle Alert system. There were 2,776 registrations for the eagle alert system. After some marketing, 160 new registrations were added and following a weather announcement 80 additional registrations added in. This is a system that you must opt into. It was found that there is a delay between the phone message and the time that it hits voicemail of about 18 minutes. They will be working to try and cut 5 – 10 minutes off of that time. Members discussed that fact that the alert goes to voicemail rather than ringing directly. Paul Bylaska said that the present vendor, E-2 Campus, would require $4K/year to ring directly, but other vendors could be looked at. Communication through campus loud speakers was also discussed and applying for grant funding.

2. ADA/Playoff Games – Paul Bylaska

Paul Bylaska spoke about the problems in accessing the north end door for handicapped individuals and said that Dave Katis is addressing the problem by manning that entrance with student help. Rein Pold said perhaps a buzzer system could be put in place that would notify someone to open the door.

3. Apple Sculpture – Chad Thomas

Chad Thomas distributed a sketch of the apple sculpture being proposed by student senate, CSA and the Traditions Council and is asking for any feedback from FPC. He said the sculpture would be similar to a sculpture that Kent State has where students could express their freedom of speech and paint their thoughts on the sculpture made
of marble. It is proposed that although Kent State does not clean their sculpture, Clarion would remove the writings once a semester with acetone. He has been working with Ric Taylor on possible locations that have been identified; one would be close to the Science Center and the other location is near Gemmell. The apple signifies that Clarion was once a teacher’s college and the sculpture will contain a plaque noting that it was donated by student senate. Approximate size will be 6’ tall and 6’ in diameter. Jon Beal noted that some universities restrict the time period when the painting can occur such as between the hours of 2am and 3am on Saturday.

The meeting adjourned at 3:48p.m. **The next meeting of the Facilities Planning Committee will be held on March 22, 2012.**