



UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE

General Faculties Council
Facilities Development Committee
Approved Open Session Minutes

Thursday, August 29, 2013
3-07 South Academic Building (SAB)
1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

ATTENDEES:

Voting Members:

Colleen Skidmore	Ex-Officio Chair (Delegate), Provost and Vice-President (Academic)
Megha Bajaj	Ex-Officio Member (Delegate), Graduate Students' Association Vice-President (Academic)
Don Hickey	Ex-Officio Member, Vice-President (Facilities and Operations)
Josh Le	Ex-Officio Member (Delegate), Students' Union Vice-President (Academic)
Elisabeth Le	Elected Vice-Chair, Academic Staff
Debbie Feisst	Elected Member, Academic Staff
Joanne Profetto-McGrath	Elected Member, Academic Staff
Phil Haswell	Elected Member, Support Staff
Shannon O'Byrne	Elected Member, Academic Staff
Loren Kline	Appointed Member, Academic Staff, Cross-rep from APC (FDC ToFR)

Non-Voting Members:

Bart Becker	Member, Associate Vice-President (Facilities and Operations), Observer
Ben Louie	Member, University Architect, Observer
Bernie Kessels	Member (Delegate), Vice-Provost and University Registrar, Observer

Staff:

Garry Bodnar	Coordinator and Scribe, GFC Facilities Development Committee
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Presenter(s):

Bart Becker	Associate Vice-President (Facilities and Operations)
Lorna Baker-Perri	Associate Director, Accommodation Planning and Programming, Office of the University Architect, Planning and Project Delivery, Facilities and Operations
Lorrina Belland	Planning Officer, Office of the University Architect, Planning and Project Delivery, Facilities and Operations
Kerry Mummery	Dean, Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation
Colleen Skidmore	Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President (Academic) and Chair, GFC Facilities Development Committee

OPENING SESSION

1. Approval of the Agenda

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Motion: Kline/Profetto-McGrath

THAT the GFC Facilities Development Committee approve the Agenda.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Open Session Minutes of April 25, 2013

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Motion: Le/Haswell

THAT the GFC Facilities Development Committee approve the Minutes of April 25, 2013.

CARRIED

3. Comments from the Chair (no documents)

At the invitation of the Chair, members introduced themselves. Dr Skidmore then commented on a number of items of interest to members.

ACTION ITEMS

4. University Hall Backfill Project Functional Program - Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenters: Lorna Baker-Perri, Associate Director, Accommodation Planning and Programming, Office of the University Architect, Planning and Project Delivery, Facilities and Operations; Kerry Mummery, Dean, Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation; Lorrina Belland, Planning Officer, Office of the University Architect, Planning and Project Delivery, Facilities and Operations

Purpose of the Proposal: To seek approval for the University Hall Backfill Project Functional Program for the reallocation of space to the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation in order to consolidate its faculty and staff into adjacent functional space on North Campus thereby ensuring its continued excellence; and to accommodate programs removed from original programming associated with the Physical Activity and Wellness (PAW) Centre project.

Discussion:

Mr Becker presented a brief preamble to the presentation of the above-noted Functional Program by noting that this project brings to realization a number of elements that had been removed for a number of reasons from the PAW Centre proposal in its earlier stages.

Ms Baker-Perri, by means of PowerPoint presentation, introduced the Backfill Functional Program to members—she referenced the purpose and background to this project. Dean Mummery continued by providing additional background, speaking to both the vision and mission associated with this initiative. He spoke of the history and evolution of the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation, culminating in the move of elements of the unit into the facilities being made available in University Hall, thereby resulting in further integration of Faculty academics, operations, and research.

Ms Baker-Perri spoke, then, to the objectives of the Functional Program; its key parameters; the Program's occupancy fit program drivers; and she projected graphical representations of the Program, as mirrored in the material before members, to illustrate her points.

Ms Belland, at this point, commented on the presented occupancy movement diagram, highlighting the various physical moves that would result from the new utilization of University Hall for the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation. She stated the use of this building would impact other facilities currently deployed by the Faculty, including the Van Vliet Centre (VVC), the PAW Centre, the East Wing of the VVC, and the Universiade Pavilion.

The Chair thanked the presenters for their thorough presentation.

During the ensuing discussion, members provided questions and comments including, but not limited to, the following: clarification on the level of reconstruction required for the repurposing of University Hall; the anticipated use of the former Council Chamber in University Hall; when the space in University Hall will be made available to the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation for its use, what the timelines for utilization are and clarity around the domino effect of further unit moves; clarification around the re-utilization of space currently occupied by the Faculty when moves do occur; and the Chair's expression that this is an exciting project that provides further consolidation and a higher profile for the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation.

Motion: O'Byrne/Kline

THAT the GFC Facilities Development Committee approve, under delegated authority from the General Faculties Council and on the recommendation of Planning and Program Delivery, the allocation of space within University Hall to the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation as proposed in the July, 2013 University Hall Backfill Project Functional Program (as set forth in Attachment 2), as provided by the Office of the University Architect.

CARRIED

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. Intersection of 63 Avenue and 122 Street Design Update

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter: Bart Becker, Associate Vice-President (Facilities and Operations)

Purpose of the Proposal: To update GFC FDC on the design of the 63 Avenue and 122 Street access road to South Campus off 122 Street, which provides secondary access to the current and future building infrastructure located on the northern boundary of South Campus. This will reduce the current traffic flow which has all access off 61 Avenue and 115 Street.

Discussion:

Mr Becker introduced this design update to members. He provided commentary on the rationale for the design for the intersection of 63 Avenue and 122 Street and described in some detail what it will look like. In doing so, he referenced the material that was before members as he provided further detail on the street design. He spoke, as well, to traffic flow issues emanating from this section into South Campus and the surrounding communities.

During the ensuing discussion, members provided questions and comments including, but not limited to, the following: clarification on vehicle and bicycle circulation; and a request for further review of the pedestrian flow through the affected area.

6. Projects Update from the Associate Vice-President (Facilities and Operations)

There were no documents.

Presenter: Bart Becker, Associate Vice-President (Facilities and Operations)

Purpose of the Proposal: For information/discussion.

Discussion:

Mr Becker provided an update to members, which included the following items:

- Augustana Campus Founders' Hall – The Functional Program is forthcoming.
- Physical Activity and Wellness (PAW) Centre: Landscaping Design Development for this project will be coming forward to GFC FDC in the near future.
- Signage Guidelines for the University of Alberta are forthcoming.
- Balmoral Centre: commissioning of this facility continues apace.
- Camrose Arts Centre: this project is moving forward and work continues accordingly.
- HM Tory Building: renovations on the building's main floor are behind schedule by two weeks.
- Innovation Centre for Engineering (ICE): this project is considerably behind schedule; the facility's cladding has been a major issue for resolution.
- Women's Residence at Saint Joseph's College: negotiations continue with potential bidders. This will be a design-build project and will come back to GFC FDC at some point in the medium future.
- Faculty of Agricultural, Life and Environmental Sciences General Space Program is forthcoming. This will include the Faculty's facilities in the St Albert region, on South Campus, *et cetera*.
- North Campus Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) is still under review, with consultation continuing to occur.
- Michener Park Redevelopment: community consultation continues.
- East Campus Village (ECV) Phase III: community consultation on redevelopment plans continues.
- Gathering Place: the Schematic Design is moving forward and will come to GFC FDC in three to four months.
- New University residences (Phase II of ECV) are up and running.
- 'Student Connect' in the Office of the Registrar is up and running.

At a member's request, Mr Becker and Mr Louie updated GFC FDC on the Islamic Garden at the Devonian Botanic Garden (DBG).

7. Question Period

There were no questions.

INFORMATION REPORTS

8. Items Approved by the GFC Facilities Development Committee by E-Mail Ballots (No items to date)

There were no items.

9. Information Items Forwarded to Committee Members Between Meetings

There were no items.

CLOSING SESSION

10. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:35 pm.