



UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE

General Faculties Council
Facilities Development Committee
Approved Open Session Minutes

Thursday, February 15, 2018
2-31 South Academic Building (SAB)
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

ATTENDEES:

Cheryl Harwardt, Acting Chair
Chenyang Feng
Andrew Maclsaac
Robyn Paches
Stephanie Russell
Andrew Sharman

Non-voting:
Pat Jansen
Ben Louie
Anna Vocioni

REGRETS:
Wendy Rodgers

Sandeep Agrawal
Joanna Harrington

STAFF:
Andrea Patrick, Coordinator
Heather Richholt, Scribe

OPENING SESSION

1. Approval of the Agenda

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Motion: Maclsaac/Russell

THAT the GFC Facilities Development Committee approve the Agenda.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Open Session Minutes of November 23, 2017

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Motion: Sharman/Feisst

THAT the GFC Facilities Development Committee approve the Minutes of November 23, 2017.

CARRIED

3. Comments from the Acting Chair

There were no comments.

ACTION ITEMS

4. Augustana Campus Long Range Development Plan Amendment: Final Report and Consultation Summary

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter(s): Emily Ball, Community Relations Officer, University Relations; Phil Rinn, Manager, Campus Planning and Development, Office of the University Architect; Andrew Sharman, Vice-President (Facilities and Operations)

Purpose of the Proposal: To provide GFC Facilities Development Committee with a Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) Amendment Report and associated consultation summary (from Open Houses #1 and #2) for recommendation to the GFC Academic Planning Committee (APC) and the Board of Governors.

Mr Rinn presented the final report and summary to the committee. He noted that the land use plan would allow Augustana campus to accommodate enrollment increases to 2,000 students. Mr Rinn also noted that stakeholder concerns raised in the first Open House were addressed in the second Open House, in particular: campus connections to the community and services, and parking and transportation.

Mr Sharman noted that during the development of the LRDP amendment there was substantial consultation with all stakeholders.

Ms Ball noted that the two Open Houses were well attended and the feedback was positive overall.

Discussion:

Members discussed the requirement for residences and it was noted that planners were considering how to provide residences that would accommodate future requirements including what kind of residences would be in demand.

Members asked how student mental health was addressed in the plan. Discussion touched on the preservation of existing green space and plans to highlight the ravine with a low impact trail as well as plans to enhance activity in the Quad and the connection to the City of Camrose Recreation Facility.

Members asked for clarification on the difference between joint use and mixed use facilities.

Motion: MacIsaac/Russell

THAT the GFC Facilities Development Committee, under delegated authority from General Faculties Council, recommend to the GFC Academic Planning Committee the proposed Augustana Campus Long Range Development Plan Amendment 2018, as proposed by Planning and Project Delivery, and as set forth in Attachment 2, to be effective upon final approval.

CARRIED

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. University of Alberta Botanic Garden (UABG) Main Entry Design Process Summary Report

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter(s): Lee Foote, Director, University of Alberta Botanic Garden; Phil Rinn, Manager, Campus Planning and Development, Office of the University Architect

Purpose of the Proposal: To provide GFC Facilities Development Committee with an update on the UABG main entry project. This includes an overview of the design process undertaken to date, key program elements, opportunities, and constraints, resultant design outcomes that balance the functional, technical, operational and budgetary considerations of the project. Also provided is a brief update on how the main entry project supports and coordinates with other ongoing development projects at UABG (e.g. Aga Khan Garden Alberta, Ecological Learning Centre, etc.).

Dr Foote gave an overview of the redesign to the main entry and its response to the past challenges of safety and congestion as well as anticipated higher traffic, future development, evening and year round access.

Mr Rinn noted that the structure had already been roughed in and worked as expected to address safety and traffic congestion. He also noted public access to a picnic area outside the paid access area of the gardens. Completion of the project was expected by June 29, 2018.

Discussion:

Regarding public access to the gardens, members enquired if there would be public washrooms outside the paid access area. It was noted that there were no plans for public washrooms outside the paid entry to the gardens at this time but the future Ecological Learning Centre may have washrooms accessible to the public.

6. Projects Update from Facilities and Operations (no documents)

There were no documents.

Presenter(s): Pat Jansen, Associate Vice-President, Planning and Project Delivery Office

Discussion:

Mr Jansen provided the following update in regards to ongoing projects at the University of Alberta:

Past Projects – Construction Phase

East Campus Village Residence Building: Building interior fit-outs are progressing as scheduled, with building envelope enclosure targeted for completion by this spring. As noted last meeting we will be planning a committee walk about prior to facility takeover. Planned occupancy July/August 2018.

Lister 5 Residence Building: Ongoing per planned schedule. Occupancy is scheduled to be achieved in 2018. Ongoing monitoring of site and traffic noise.

SIF: Ongoing progress for each site – work primarily consists of interior renovations - labs, classroom, etc. - and system renewals) CMEB, ECREF, ETLC, Bio Sci, Chem West, Chem East, Augustana Lab Renewals, CSB, MSB, CSJ lab renewals; all projects are being implemented on a fast track delivery model to achieve Substantial Completion by April 2018 . Several projects have reached completion or are nearing completion. Ongoing reporting to federal and provincial representatives per grant agreements.

UA Botanical Garden (UABG) - Islamic Garden: Good progress continues to be made through the winter season. Currently tracking over 90% complete. Spring work will include final clean-up, canopies, fountain installation and final plantings. As noted at a previous meeting, consideration to host a FDC at the UABG will continue to be reviewed with the Chair.

In Planning and/or Design Phase

Twin Arena: The selection of Prime Consultant has been made – we, will be coming forward to FDC with designs for review/approval in early 2018. Schematic and Design Development Phase will follow the current stage of Concept Development.

Maskwa House: no change, project has reached design development phase - awaiting financial support.

UA Pavilion (Garden): Pavilion prime consultant has completed the concept design phase, as the designs progress into Schematic Design - will be focus of future presentations. At this point capital funding has yet to be fully secured.

Dentistry Pharmacy: Continuing with ongoing demolition and planning activities. RFP for prime consultants has now been issued. Programmatic, schematic and design development phases will be brought forward to the committee in 2018. Project will be phased over several years with FDC governance being concluded throughout 2018.

7. Question Period

Members asked about plans for the ground floor of Enterprise Square and were informed that the city had use of that space for the library until 2019 so there were no other plans at this time.

Members asked about plans to upgrade the locker and shower facilities in the Van Vliet Complex and were told that this issue was under review.

Members asked about upgrades to washroom facilities on campus and were informed that where there is opportunity, space and funds available, upgrades were being considered.

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 (no items to date)

There were no items.

CLOSING SESSION

10. Adjournment

The acting Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:05 p.m.