General Faculties Council
Facilities Development Committee
Approved Open Session Minutes

Thursday, May 20, 2021
Zoom Virtual Meeting
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

ATTENDEES:  
Wendy Rodgers, Chair  
Emily Kimani  
Mohd Tahsin Bin Mostafa  
Gina Rayat  
Dan Romanyak  
Sarah Ross  
John Seubert  
Andrew Sharman  
Singh Singh  
non-voting:  
Ben Louie  
Kate Peters  

REGRETS:
Brad Hamdon  
Kathleen Lowrey  
Anna Vocioni  

Staff:  
Heather Richholt, Coordinator

OPENING SESSION

1. Approval of the Agenda

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter(s): Wendy Rodgers, Deputy Provost and Chair of GFC Facilities Development Committee (FDC)

Motion: Sharman/Ross

THAT the GFC Facilities Development Committee approve the agenda.  
CARRIED

2. Approval of the Open Session Minutes of February 11, 2021

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter(s): Wendy Rodgers, Deputy Provost and Chair of FDC

Motion: Seubert/Sharman

THAT the GFC Facilities Development Committee approve the open session minutes of February 11, 2021.  
CARRIED

3. Comments from the Chair (no documents)

Presenter(s): Wendy Rodgers, Deputy Provost and Chair of FDC

Discussion:
The Chair welcomed the new student members to the committee and thanked the outgoing member for her work over the past three years.
ACTION ITEMS

4. Dentistry-Pharmacy Building Programming
Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter(s): Andrew Sharman, Vice-President (Facilities and Operations)

Discussion:
The Chair spoke about the previous decisions made by the committee for the Dentistry-Pharmacy building and reminded members of the report of the Executive Oversight Committee and the Project Steering Committee that was shared at the February meeting.

Mr Sharman provided an overview of the project including:
- the original building and additions constructed over the years;
- the grant funding received for the project;
- the design plan and demolition of the additions; and
- the preservation of the original 1922 building and construction to date.

Mr Sharman noted that the recent budget challenges and University of Alberta for Tomorrow (UAT) initiative had encouraged everyone to think differently about the use of campus resources, including space. He explained that the space needs of the Departments of Computing Sciences, and Mathematical and Statistical Sciences aligned well with capacity in the Dentistry-Pharmacy building.

Members discussed:
- the complete relocation of the Departments and the plans for the spaces they were vacating;
- the availability and need for research labs and classroom space in response to expected enrollment growth;
- current work of the Office of the Registrar and Facilities and Operations regarding space optimization on campus; and
- the planned use and breakdown of space in the Dentistry-Pharmacy building for:
  - public space;
  - student success;
  - support services; and
  - academic space.

Motion: Sharman/Ross

THAT the GFC Facilities Development Committee approve, with delegated authority from General Faculties Council, the allocation of the academic space in the Dentistry-Pharmacy Centre to the Faculty of Science for the departments of Math & Statistical Sciences, and Computing Sciences.

CARRIED

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. Authority of the Facilities Development Committee (FDC) (no documents)
Presenter(s): Wendy Rodgers, Deputy Provost and Chair of FDC; Kate Peters, GFC Secretary and Manager, GFC Services

Discussion:
Ms Peters explained that GFC had made a commitment to review the terms of reference for its standing committees on a 3-year cycle and that FDC's review was overdue. She spoke about the committee's mandate and authority, and the opportunity for the academy to add value and advice around items with academic impact.

The Chair spoke about the authorities as set out in the *Post-Secondary Learning Act* (PSLA), and FDC's delegated authority from the Board of Governors and from GFC. She noted that construction and planning on campus had changed significantly since the 1960s and 70s. She also noted that it was important to consider the authority held by the Office of the Vice-President (Facilities and Operations).

Members discussed:
- the format of terms of reference reviews and the role of the Executive Committee and GFC;
- the small number of items coming forward for FDC approval over the past years and the large number of meeting cancellations;
- the potential for FDC's delegated authority to move to another committee or committees;
- the delegated authority of FDC and the decisions that would be decided at the committee level;
- the option for any standing committee of GFC to refer a matter to full GFC for decision when they felt it was appropriate;
- the decisions that fell under the purview of the Vice-President (Facilities and Operations); and
- other groups and committees that provided advice on proposals such as steering committees, oversight committees, etc.

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

*Presenter(s): Andrew Sharman, Vice-President (Facilities and Operations)*

**Discussion:**
Mr Sharman provided the following update:

**Major Capital Projects**

1. **Dentistry Pharmacy**
   - Phase 1: Core and Shell - on target both cost and schedule
   - Phase 2: Fit-Out space programming complete June 2021.
   - Phase 2: Fit-Out design commence June 2021 complete January 2022 approximately 6 work packages to complete the fit out.
   - Phase 2: Construction Manager RFP Closes May 13th. Currently under review.
   - New Functional Name: down to two options University Commons/ University Square.
   - Completion Date: 2024

2. **Lister Residence Tower Renewals**
   - MacKenzie Tower #1: Complete
   - Henday Tower #2: Construction to be completed for August 2021
   - Kelsey Tower #3: Tender Awarded to Graham, currently mobilizing to site, completion for July 2022

**Active Capital Projects**

1. **New**
   - UABG Diwan Pavilion - Redesign Complete and Re-tender May 20, 2021

2. **Preservation**
   - Brain & Aging Research Building Renewal - $8M in construction (GOA)
   - Tory Tower Mechanical Renewal - $8M in construction (GOA)
   - Enterprise Square UAT-SET HUB Main Floor Phase 1 - $8.2M - In construction
   - John Scott Library Relocation and ECHA Re-Stack - currently out for tender for design RFP
   - Morrison Structures Engineering Lab Renovation - in construction start May 2021 $16.5M
Chemistry West 1st and 2nd Floor Renewals- in construction-complete July 2021.
- Chemistry Electrical Vault- Complete
- CAB Renewal Phase 2 Main Floor- In construction $2.5m
- Fine Arts Building Air Handler Renewal $3M (IMP)
- Li Ka Shing Steam Turbine Connection 1.17M (EMSO)
- Rutherford Museums Consolidation- $2.3M Complete
- Education Electrical Vault Renewal- In Construction- $6m (CMR)
- Cameron Library/ Bio Sci Elevator renewals in procurement-(CMR)

3. Minor Preservation
- GSB / NREF Emergency Generator Upgrade - in construction-$1.25M (IMP)
- Biological Sciences Building Lab & Infrastructure Renewals in master plan- in design
- HUB Mall - Ongoing Residence Renewal-$2.4M- in construction- (Campus Services)
- ECERF AHU upgrade- in design

7. Question Period (no documents)

Presenter(s): Wendy Rodgers, Deputy Provost and Chair of FDC

Discussion:
A member asked about the process to choose a new name for the Dentistry-Pharmacy building. Mr Sharman referred to the Naming Policy in University of Alberta Policies and Procedures Online (UAPPOL) and noted that he would let FDC know when a new name was chosen.

A member asked for an update on campus security related to a recent incident on public transit. Mr Sharman replied that campus security had no jurisdiction over Edmonton Transit stations but that they were working on an awareness campaign for when members of the community returned to campus in the fall.

INFORMATION REPORTS

8. Items Approved by the GFC Facilities Development Committee by E-Mail Ballots
There were no items.

9. Information Items Forwarded to Committee Members Between Meetings
There were no items.

CLOSING SESSION

10. Adjournment
- Next meeting of FDC: September 23, 2021
- Next meeting of GFC: June 7, 2021

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:50 p.m.