University Buildings and Grounds Committee
Minutes
November 20, 2013
Tait Conference Room
405L Russ Engineering

1. The minutes of October 15, 2013 were approved.

2. The committee unanimously approved a motion to remove the Divisions Sculpture from campus and return it to the artist by the end of March, 2014. Gary Dickstein will contact members of the university community to determine the best use for the amphitheater once the artwork is removed. Facilities Planning will need to assess the area to determine cost associated with bringing this facility up-to-date.

3. Jim Runkle, Chair of the Woods Conservancy Committee (WCC) briefed the UBGC on their findings.

   The WSU wooded area is listed as one of the top four largest wooded areas in Greene County. The committee was charged to assess the undeveloped areas, the value of the areas, and to determine long-term conservation and restrictions of easements.

   The WCC recommended a new Wright Way policy for operating and maintaining the woods area.

   Matt Rizki suggested it might be appropriate to rewrite the Woods Ad Hoc Committee’s charge to include a broader range of resources to protect the natural environment.

   The UBGC will meet again December 4, 2013 to continue review of the Woods Conservancy Report and will make a recommendation to the administration.

4. Matt Rizki briefed the committee on the Six-year Capital Plan Overview. The top three recommendations from the UBGC are as follows:
   a. Classroom technology upgrades
   b. Deferred maintenance of buildings was moved to item #5 in anticipation of availability of additional funds to be used for maintenance.
   c. Covered drop off area for disabled students at Student Union

5. The Williams design for the Tabletop Podiums was selected as the number one choice for podiums. This podium is lightweight, easy to handle and provides privacy to secure documents beneath the podium.

6. Jerry Hensley demonstrated the use and features of Splashtop. This program is currently being tested in the CEHS. License is available at $50 per user and must be renewed annually. Those interested in obtaining a license may contact Larry Fox.

   Mary Clem reported 47 whiteboards were installed in classrooms throughout campus.
7. The committee recommended setting a standard for all future classrooms to have a dimmer switch placed at the front of the classrooms to allow for better lighting control.

Seating in Millett Hall is moveable and chairs can be rearrange to have seats face the front of the room.

8. Bids for the Col. Glenn roadway improvements are scheduled to go out during winter 2014; work is scheduled to begin April 1, 2014. The areas effected will be between Paramount Place (Taco Bell) to University Blvd. The work is scheduled to be done in phases to close one lane at a time. Facilities Planning will keep the committee informed as details arise.

9. Adjourned at 4:15