

# **Meeting Minutes**

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# Building and Grounds Committee

10:00am, Wednesday, November 2, 2016 Room 103, Explorer Room, Student Union

**Attendees at Meeting:** Marie Bashaw, Chair, Caroline Cao, Stefan Chinov, Dawn Wooley, L. David Mirkin, Mary Holland, Jean Denney, Dan Papay, Debbie Whisler, Lukas Wenrick, Travis Doom

### Call to Order

## **Approval of Minutes**

1. Minutes from October 10, 2016 Buildings and Grounds Committee were approved by committee acclimation.

### **Concern with Student Success Center Bathroom Facilities**

1. Dr. Wischgoll brought forth the following concern about the Student Success Center: "We are receiving complaints from our students about the bathroom facilities in the Student Success Center as being insufficient for the number of people in the building. It essentially takes students away from class for too long. The first floor of that building has as far as I know one men's room with two urinals and one stall (don't know about the women's as I obviously do not go in there) to serve around 500 people. We have people going to the building next door for a bathroom break which is clearly not the way it is supposed to be.

The architect that designed the building clearly does not understand the requirements of such an environment and should not be allowed to design buildings for us in the future. Since you are the chair of the building and grounds committee I figured you are probably a good person to make aware of the situation. Obviously, the damage is done and there is no remedy for this building. But for future plannings we need to make sure that buildings are designed with the people's needs in mind that this building is supposed to serve which clearly has not happened in the past."

This is informational only, for the Building and Grounds committee to keep in mind when we work on future building projects.

### Off Campus Building and Grounds

- 1. Informational: at the Board of Trustees meeting it was shared that property WSU owns in Yellow Springs has been sold to Yellow Springs for \$360,000. They will be building a fire department on this land. The building that formerly stood on this ground was demolished several years ago.
- 2. Question was raised about the land WSU is and has been buying. In regards to the land across the street, where HR moved, is this property owned, or are we leasing or renting the space? Next has WSU purchased the Beavercreek YMCA or do we rent it? Why are we buying property and or paying rent when we are in a fiscal crisis? Faculty are being laid off. Additionally, Faculty are unhappy that HR is now across the street and no longer easily accessible to faculty.

Action: Dr. Bashaw will speak with administration and report back at January Meeting.



## **Parking**

No report from the Parking subcommittee.

Action: Dr. Bashaw will ask for a report to be submitted to this committee.

### **Student Government**

The student responses to the survey of what they are really interested in regards to student experience had three top concerns and areas of interest.

- 1. Parking is the number one concern. 9000 students drive to campus.
- 2. Next 81% of students surveyed would support an independent recreation facility. They want gymnasium space, pool, a place for students to recreate. Currently there is no space for them to do this. The Nutter center McGlin Gym is used by athletics first, so most days there is no place for other students to go play. The current pool has structural problems and has limited availability to students.
- 3. Finally, Dining facilities are sub par at best. There is nothing available late evening or on the weekends. 9000 students live within 1 mile of campus. We are not just a commuter school.
- 4. The students would like to know if the amphitheater could be leveled at the bottom to improve the area for handicap as well as all students. With limited fiscal resources these would only happen with bonds and perhaps designated student fees. Faculty members support improving student experience. It was suggested that Lukas look at similar sized facility, find out what it would cost and what student fees would it take to get the bond to build the rec center.

Action: Lukas Wenrick will tabulate the survey and bring a report to the January Meeting.

# Senate Bill 310 Available Budget Dollars for the next 2 years

The attachment was distributed to the membership. Two items, Gaming research Integration Learning Laboratory Relocation - \$750,000 and Tri-Star STEM Project - \$500,000 are pass through money. WSU is the closest Higher education facility to where these two projects are located (we do not know who or where they are). The other items are all approved funds. It was suggested that faculty members discuss with their constituents projects that should be prioritized for the line item – Campus-wide Instructional Laboratory Modernization and Maintenance - \$3,000,000.

Action: Suggestions will be sent to the Chair and the Building and Grounds Committee will discuss at the January Meeting.

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