



UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE

General Faculties Council
Facilities Development Committee
Approved Open Session Minutes

Thursday, February 14, 2019
2-31 South Academic Building (SAB)
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

ATTENDEES:

Voting:

Wendy Rodgers, Chair
Joanna Harrington
Cheryl Harwardt
Hyejun Kim
Andrew MacIsaac
Christopher Mackay

Emma Ripka
Sarah Ross
Andrew Sharman
Anna Vocioni
Non-Voting:
Pat Jansen
Ben Louie

REGRETS:

Meg Brolley
Fahed Elian
Marion Haggarty-France

Staff:

Heather Richholt, Coordinator

OPENING SESSION

1. Approval of the Agenda

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Motion: Sharman/Ross

THAT the GFC Facilities Development Committee approve the Agenda.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Open Session Minutes of September 27, 2018

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Motion: Sharman/Ross

THAT the GFC Facilities Development Committee approve the Open Session Minutes of September 27, 2019.

CARRIED

3. Comments from the Chair (no documents)

The Chair noted the recent launch of the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Strategic Plan and indicated that there were copies available for members to take.

ACTION ITEMS

4. Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine - Functional Program

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter(s): Robert Haennel, Dean, Rehabilitation Medicine; Janet Koshuta, Principle, HFKS Architects Ltd.

Purpose of the Proposal: The proposal is before the committee because it seeks approval for further planning for the Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine (FRM).

Dr Haennel explained the challenges faced by the Faculty about space limitations and noted that they were currently using all available space. He further noted that Alberta Health Services (AHS) had indicated concerns with potential shortages of Rehabilitation Medicine professionals that could impact program capacities in the future.

Ms Koshuta indicated the considerations used for planning purposes, the intention to keep Corbett Hall as academic and administrative space, and the key growth areas: interdisciplinary clinic space, flexible instructional space, and wet bench research labs.

Discussion:

Members asked questions and expressed opinions including but not limited to: the availability and flexibility of space in Edmonton Clinic Health Academy and the Clinical Sciences Building (CSB); the need for technical support in classrooms and labs; the Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine's effective use of current space; the AHS's 30-year plan for the Walter Mackenzie Health Sciences Centre; and the potential to provide a physical link between Corbett Hall to CSB.

Motion: Maclsaac/Sharman

THAT the GFC Facilities Development Committee approve, under delegated authority from General Facilities Council and on the recommendation of Planning and Project Delivery, the proposed Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine – Functional Space Program (as set forth in Attachment 1) as the basis for further planning.

CARRIED

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. Asset Management Strategy - Guiding Principles

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

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

Purpose of the Proposal: To introduce the entire university community to the guiding principles upon which all decisions related to the management of the institution's infrastructure assets are made.

Mr Sharman outlined the guiding principles as: Student Success and Life Experience, Asset Management, Campus Character, and Decision-Making.

Discussion:

Members discussed balancing the concerns of the Faculties with those of the wider university, commitments to donors, and the implications of the new budget model on space. Members noted the importance of building codes, safety and security, accessibility, EDI concerns, the EDI Strategy's guidelines, and discussed the university's responsibility to the public good - beyond the campus community. Members asked about available space and scheduling, and how decisions related to space were communicated to the university community.

6. CUBE South Campus Utility Building (no documents)

Presenter(s): Ben Louie, University Architect, Office of the Vice-President (Facilities and Operations); Kelly Hopkin, Manager, Campus Architecture, Planning and Project Delivery (Facilities and Operations)

Discussion:

Mr Hopkin presented an overview of the utility building and noted that while it would not be occupied, it would be regularly serviced and monitored.

Members asked about the building's design and functionality and discussed security concerns.

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

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

Mr Jansen gave the following update:

Past Projects – Construction Phase:

We are in a transition phase between design and construction initiatives, throughout 2018 many major construction projects were completed, as such limited project listings are currently underway

UA Botanical Garden (UABG) - Islamic Garden: Project is now in warranty phase clean up, consideration still to host a FDC meeting at the UABG, will continue to be review with the Chair for 2019 (tracker).

Dentistry Pharmacy: Continuing with ongoing demolition and detailed core and shell design activities. Design consultants are busy in preparation of current concept development phase; programming, schematic and design development phases will be forwarded to the committee throughout 2019.

As a reminder and based on funding and current occupancies, the projects phasing extends over several years with FDC governance related to design being concluded within 2019.

Campus Utility Building – Electrical; CUBE; as noted in today's presentation, the occupancy is a shell building on south campus to house basic electrical switch gear, project will advance into construction this spring.

In Planning and/or Design Phase:

Community Twin Arena: the arena Schematic Design phase is now complete. The design team will continue to advance the design to the next delivery stage and provide updates to the FDC at prescribed intervals - project awaiting final financial approval

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

UA Diwan Pavilion (Garden): Pavilion design has progressed to the Design Development phase, will move into construction documentation this spring. More information will come to the committee next month.

Convocation Hall: Facilities & Operations is engaged in a detailed building condition assessment and concept development phase for this building, there is no planned change of use but rather a renewal program. Should the project continue to develop the project would be brought forward as to FDC at appropriate design milestones.

Other considerations in early pre-planning activities include:

Mechanical Engineering; project scope confirmation report (PSCR) and programming exercise will soon be underway Structures Lab; PSCR completed, in review to advance to next design phase

Functional Program – Rehabilitation Medicine – as presented today

General Space Program – Education, and Medical Sciences Building

8. Question Period

There were no questions.

INFORMATION REPORTS

9. Items Approved by the GFC Facilities Development Committee by E-Mail Ballots

There were no items.

10. Information Items Forwarded to Committee Members Between Meetings

There were no items.

CLOSING SESSION

11. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m.