

Meeting of the Facilities Planning Commission (FPC)

Room Location: CEET 250 Date: May 18, 2023

Time: 4:00pm

POSITION	TERM	NAME	DEPARTMENT/DIVISION
Chair	2022-23	John Harman	Finance and Administration
Provost and Vice President	2022-23	Joanna Mott	Academic Affairs
Vice President	2022-23	Erin Foley	Student Affairs
Vice Provost	2022-23	Abdy Afjeh	Research and Academic Affairs
Chief Technology Officer	2022-23	Tony Richey	Information Technology Services
Dean of Engineering, Technology, and Management	2022-23	Vacant	Academic Affairs
Dean of Health, Arts, and Sciences	2022-23	Dan Peterson	Academic Affairs
Assoc. Director of Recruitment and Yield	2022-23	Josephine Ness	Admissions
Director	2022-23	John Van Dyke	Athletics
Director	2022-23	Thom Darrah	Facilities Management Services
University Librarian	2022-23	John Schoppert	Academic Affairs
University Registrar	2022-23	Wendy Ivie	Academic Affairs
Portland-Metro Representative	2022-23	Lara Pracht	Academic Affairs
Senate Executive Representative	2022-23	Aston Greer	Faculty Senate
Faculty 1	2022-24	Ken Davis	Applied Mathematics
Faculty 2	2022-24	Gary Lomprey	Business Management
Faculty 3	2021-24	Sharon Beaudry	Business Management
Klamath Falls Student Representative	2022-24	Finn Anders	Student
Portland-Metro Student Representative	2022-24	William Sell	Student
Executive Assistant	2022-24	Celia Green	Finance and Administration

Minutes

Attendance: John Harman, Erin Foley, Tony Richey, Dan Peterson, John Van Dyke, John Schoppert, Wendy Ivie, Lara Pracht, Ashton Greer, Ken Davis, Sharon Beaudry, Alicia Dillon, Michelle Meyer, Kari Lundgren; Mike Shea and Eric Talbot with Soderstrom Architects; Kurt Haapala with Mahlum Architects

Meeting called to order – Chair Harman called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

1. Approval of minutes from April 6, 2023, meeting- VP Harman

a. Wendy Ivie motioned to approve the minutes; Professor Greer seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

2. Campus Beautification Update- Dr. Lundgren

a. A list of completed projects and pending Campus Beautification projects was shared with the Committee. VP Harman introduced Dr. Lundgren and the Campus Beautification project, sharing the project is funded by COVID-19 grant dollars. Dr. Lundgren shared that the Campus Beautification Project is multi-faceted with the focus to promote student, faculty, and staff mental health. Dr. Lundgren continued, providing an overview of completed project components and a status update of remaining project components that are in progress. The project includes new furniture as well as painted accent walls throughout several buildings on the Klamath Falls campus. These additions have made OT's older buildings look less

institutional and more welcoming. Dr. Lundgren also shared that university feedback has been overwhelmingly positive on the improvements resulting from the project.

3. Boivin Furniture/Lab Equipment update- Dean Peterson

a. Dean Peterson provided a status update on furnishings for the Boivin Hall remodel. Currently, furnishings are anticipated to arrive between mid-August and September 1st, in time for installation before the start of fall term. Dean Peterson also shared that to-date, furniture fixtures and equipment (FF&E) are under budget. This is a result of the chosen furniture being lower cost than other available options. Dean Peterson continued that the goal was not to necessarily select the lowest cost furniture, but to prioritize comfort level determined by faculty furniture testing. It was coincidental that the furniture faculty preferred most happened to be lower cost. Thom Darrah, Director of Facilities, commented that if FF&E does result in budget savings, the amount would be directed back to the overall project budget.

4. Mahlum Architects- Student Housing Planning Update- Kurt Haapala

- a. A summary design of the project was reviewed with the Committee, building from the indepth presentation shared with the Committee at the previous April Committee meeting. Mahlum Architects will work with the project steering committee to finalize additional details including materials used on the exterior of the building. Mahlum Architects is also currently working on preliminary construction cost estimates and reconciliation with the general contractor.
- b. Professor Davis asked if the sidewalks will be geothermally heated. Kurt Haapala explained that heating the ramps, sidewalks, and stairs is a part of the current project scope.
- c. Professor Davis asked if additional parking spots are required by code. Kurt Haapala replied that housing does require parking by code. There are on-going conversations with the City of Klamath Falls (the City) to determine the correct approach to parking. Parking associated with the current residence hall is also a consideration as that facility may or may not be occupied when the new residence hall opens and its impact on required parking spaces is to be determined; it has a significant bearing on the project's parking requirements. Mahlum Architects will work with the City to come to an agreement on what is appropriate. Mike Shea with Soderstrom Architects added that the Klamath Falls campus has enough parking right now. The issue is the location of the parking, related to the amount of parking that will be in close proximity to the new residence hall. Current City regulations calculate the required number of parking spaces based on a combination of: (a) number of resident students, and (b) number of chairs in classrooms. The calculation as currently defined by code does not necessarily match the flow of visitors and residential students. As a result, Soderstrom is in talks with the City to discuss alternate measures that would result in revising the current code.

5. Soderstrom Architects- Facilities Master Plan Update- Mike Shea and Eric Talbot

- a. A virtual birds eye view of the Klamath Falls campus was presented to the Committee reflecting recommendations which will be included in the Facilities Master Plan. The birds eye view included features from the intersection of Hwy 97 and Dan O'Brien Way, an updated main entrance to campus, up to the intersection of Campus Drive and Bryant Williams Drive. Polytechnic design features and other amenities were purposefully reflected in the virtual model.
- b. Professor Davis asked if the City's transit system could be approached to bring the bus stop up the hill to the residence halls. Eric Talbot responded yes, his firm will contact transit.
- c. Wendy Ivie asked if the Registrar's Office would remain in the basement. Mike Shea replied that it would ideally be moved to a new student service building, and it would not be in the basement. Mike added that if OT is successful in obtaining funding for a student services building, it will open a lot of building space across campus.

- d. Professor Greer wanted to make sure Soderstrom was aware of the existing Owen's Hall installation where the proposed amphitheater would be similarly located. She shared that the plaza has significance to the Civil Engineering Department. Mike Shea thanked Professor Greer for he information, responding that he was not previously aware of the significance and that it would be incorporated into the draft facilities master plan.
- 6. Capital Projects Update- VP Harman presented on behalf of Thom Darrah
 - a. VP Harman reviewed the slides showing the progress of the stadium, Boivin, and new residence hall projects.
 - b. VP Harman provided an update on research space for the new Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program. The research space is now being built in the Dow Center. The university had previously been in discussions with Sky Lakes to lease an area for the DPT research space The space's remodel in the Dow Center is anticipated to be completed over the summer.
- 7. Status of property purchase for ABA Clinic- VP Harman
 - a. An offer has been made on a property downtown. Oregon Tech is working with its consultant and the City on zoning requirements. The City has various requirements that could result in significant additional costs to the overall project. VP Harman shared that Mike Shea, principal with Soderstrom Architects, after learning about the ABA Clinic's space needs, generously offered to perform design of the clinic pro bono. VP Harman shared a special thank you to Mike Shea and Soderstrom Architects, acknowledging the generosity of their donated professional services. It was also noted that donation of the services was not contingent on any current or future expected work.

Adjourn Meeting- VP Harman at 5:01pm