Members Present: Greg Black, Larry Robertson, Sara Snyder, Mark Young
Members Absent: Jerry Anthony, James Bechtel, Ryan Delves, Carol Haack, Tom Kruckeberg, Christine Rutledge-Russell, John Scott
Others Present: Shawn Albaugh Kleppe, Don Guckert, Rod Lehnertz, Ferman Milster, Glen Mowery, Jennifer Ratner, Ed Scherrer

Call to Order: Mark Young called the meeting to order.

Previous Minutes: Minutes of the January 29, 2010, CPC meeting were approved as distributed.

Old Business: None

Discussion / Action Item(s):

UIHC Exterior Banners

Jennifer Ratner summarized the proposal for installation of two sizable banners; one to be located on the northwest facing façade of the UIHC Parking Ramp 2 and one to be located on the southwest facing façade of the Pomerantz Family Pavilion. The proposed banners would be vinyl fabric measuring approximately 10’ x 18’ stretched on a solid metal frame secured to the exterior walls. The messages would convey announcements and celebrate accomplishments of the UIHC and would be changed periodically.

Discussion from the Committee work session included the semi-permanent nature of the signs, how often the signs would be changed, how this type of signage fits in the pending signing policy, commercial vs. academic signage and its potential spread on campus, similar methods used by competing institutions, and neighborhood issues.

Discussion from the Committee meeting included the absence of a durable campus-wide policy on banner placement, the notion of advertising at a campus point of entry, and anticipated audience of these banners, lamp post placement versus placement on the face of a building.

The Campus Planning Committee’s opinion for installation of these banners was not enthusiastic. They are not in favor of banner placement on any campus building, though less resistant to placing a banner on the UIHC Parking Ramp. The Committee recommends this proposal be revisited in a year following the policy development and that any banner/sign being considered be reviewed in the design phase. The position of the Committee will be summarized and communicated officially to the UI Administration.

Temporary Boiler Building – Increase West Campus Steam Capacity

Ed Scherrer provided an updated to a proposal previously reviewed by Campus Planning Committee in May 2009. The initial proposal asked for guidance with the exhaust stack concepts, resulting in a preference by the Committee for one stack. The update reports that the height of the stack would be lowered and that ductwork would be added to run along the exterior ridgeline of the building.
Oakdale Power Plant – Install Biomass Gasifier and Steam Generator

Ed Scherrer presented an update to a proposal previously vetted by the Campus Planning Committee for installation of a biomass gasifier and steam generator in the Oakdale Utility Power Plant. The project as presented in August 2009, would have installed a unit in a separate new building to the West of the existing Oakdale Power Plant. Because of budget difficulties, the project being presented would instead demolish the southern-most existing boiler inside the Power Plant and replace it with a dual fuel biomass/natural gas fired boiler and a separate biomass gasifier. Additionally, biomass delivery and storage would occur at the east end of the plant and make use of the existing (unused) underground coal storage area. The plant roof would be modified to accept a ceramic bag house that is required for emission control in the EPA operating/air permit.

Discussions in work session consisted of road improvements around the Oakdale Utility Power Plant and the disposal of unburnt fuel from the boilers.

The updated proposal was endorsed by the Committee.

Pappajohn Biomedical Discovery Building – Exterior Signage

Rod Lehnertz summarized a proposal for exterior signage for the Pappajohn Biomedical Discovery Building. Several distinct types of recognition were addressed. They included college or unit recognition, building recognition, institute recognition, and donor recognition. The signage for this building would be located at the SE entrance to the building which is considered the primary entrance to the building. The concepts presented are consistent with signage on MERF and CBRB and have also been presented to the Pappajohn's for their consideration.

Discussions in work session included prohibiting the use of symbols that may represent donors and use of different signage inside the building.

The proposal was endorsed by the Committee.

Work Session Reports

Spence Laboratories of Psychology – Emergency Generator

A proposal for installation of an emergency generator to be used by the Spence Laboratories of Psychology (SLP) was presented. SLP is one of only a few research buildings on campus that does not have emergency power. The 200kW diesel-powered generator, measuring approximately 4.5’x13’x6.5’, would be installed in the courtyard located on the north side of SLP. The generator would have a day tank with the capacity to run for a 24-hour period and would be controlled by an automatic-transfer switch and control panel located in the basement of SLP that could start the generator and transfer the building load in the event of a power failure.

Discussion included why this particular building was selected for installation of emergency power while other buildings are still without, the long-term use of this generator, the preference for a more comprehensive system for the area (an option that is not fiscally feasible at this time), the 6” exhaust stack that would run up along the building, and the custom color of the generator and exhaust stack that would complement the building color.

The proposal was endorsed by the Committee during work session

Renaming Biological Sciences Library Building

Rod Lehnertz updated the Committee on the request from the UI Librarian to change the name of the “Biological Sciences Library” to “The Sciences Library.”
Don Guckert updated the Committee on the proposal for installation of a 2.4 kW wind turbine near the National Advanced Driving Simulator (NADS) for Engineering Professor Pablo Carrica. The main purpose of the project is to provide a teaching opportunity for engineering students in a number of classes.

The proposed site was rejected by Coralville. Consideration is now being given to a site located near MSSB/USB.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.