Campus Planning Committee

September 7, 2011
Meeting Minutes

- Approved -

Members Present: Jerry Anthony, Andrew Berg, Uwin Hettiarachchi, Barbara Mooney, Larry Robertson, Christine Rutledge-Russell, Becky Soglin

Members Absent: Shalla Wilson Ashworth, John Beldon Scott, Dave Martin, Carol Haack

Others Present: Shawn Albaugh Kleppe, Don Guckert, Jennifer Hoffman, Rod Lehnertz, Tom Rice, David Ricketts

Call to Order: Jerry Anthony called the meeting to order.

Previous Minutes: Minutes of the June 6, 2011, CPC meeting were approved as distributed.

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEM(S):

Library – Learning Commons – Madison Street Entrance
Jen Hoffman presented an updated proposal to replace the existing emergency exits on the east face of the Main Library with an accessible entrance, giving the Library a more prominent presence along Madison Street.

The initial proposal showed a modified faced with the addition of larger first floor windows, single double-door entrance, and a 5% grade accessible walkway.

Taking in consideration of suggestions made by committee members, the updated proposal showed a single, triple-door entrance, deemed sufficient given the intended and anticipated use of this particular entrance.

Discussion included bicycle parking accommodations, matching of the brick façade, accessibility of the Library entrances, late-night access, Shambaugh Auditorium access, bus staging issues, and consideration of a book drop and removal or relocation of newspaper dispensers.

This updated proposal was endorsed by the committee.

WORK SESSION REPORTS

Slater Hall – Cell Service Antenna
A proposal for installation of wireless transmission antennae on Slater Hall to accommodate the increased demand for cellular capacity and coverage was presented.

The proposal suggests placing a series of three antennae on each of the north, east and west sides of the building at the roofline. The building penetrations would be covered/enclosed in a material that would mimic the coloration of the building.

Discussion at work session included the type of material used for the covers/enclosures, provisions for maintenance of these covers/enclosures by the service provider, and the specific placement on the building.
The committee asked for clarification on a few of the discussion items and also made suggestions to specific locations for placement, including adding void boxes to address symmetry issues. Brad followed-up on the items discussed, providing acceptable considerations and solutions.

This proposal, with the additional recommendations, was supported by the committee.

**Field House Exterior Signage**
An updated proposal for exterior signage on the Field House, incorporating previously summited feedback from the committee was presented.

The proposal depicted “Field House Entrance” displayed on the concrete arch by the southeast entry in 12” x ¼” aluminum letters, painted black, stud mounted to the concrete arch and “Field House Entrance” displayed in the same format between the arch windows of the southwest entry.

Discussion at work session included evaluating the spacing of the letters on the southeast entry to incorporate the expansion joints of the arch.

The committee supported this updated proposal.

**Dental Science Building – Construct New Facility**
A proposal for the construction of two glass vestibules on the second floor entrances that lead into main patient and staff areas of the building in an effort to control climate around the entrance doors.

The proposal showed exterior vestibules measuring 7’x6’4”, constructed of a similar curtain wall and glazed window system mimicking the walkway above.

Discussion at work session included access to the area bike racks and repair of the stairs leading to this area.

The committee supported this proposal.

**Quad Ravine Rehabilitation**
Updated schematic designs for rehabilitation of Quad Ravine were presented.

The design focuses on maintaining and enhancing the natural beauty of the area, striving to enhance the existing character and setting of the Quad Ravine. The current concept pulls the walkway out of the bottom of the ravine, providing an opportunity to properly manage storm water through the use of rain gardens. The new walkway splits to the north and south yielding routes that have no stairs and maximum grades of up to 9%. The walkway has been placed to minimize grading and the loss of mature trees. The concept also calls for the elimination of the large stairs to Bowen Science Building, replacing them with two routes to the outdoor BSB patio area that have no stairs.

Discussion at work session included the bicycle traffic in the area, plans for the WPA elements of the area, lighting and safety concerns, and crosswalks on Newton Road.

The design of the Quad Ravine will be brought back when it is further developed.

**Visual Arts Building – Construct New Facility**
Initial conceptual designs of the new Visual Arts Building were presented. This project replaces the original Art Building that was severely damaged during the 2008 flood event.

This roughly 126,000 gsf facility will be located at what is now 109 River Street. The design depicts a 4-level building with three accessible entrances/building pass-throughs and a green roof. The façade being considered is zinc paneling with a soft green patina and filtered glass.
Discussion at work session included the location of the ADA accessibility as part of the building’s design, the penthouse feature, the location of the mechanical systems, access for fire vehicles and deliveries, locations of the kilns and wood, screening between the building and private properties, security and lighting, and the intended construction schedule.

This project will be brought back for review and feedback as it develops.

**Calvin Hall – West Entry**
A proposal for reconstruction of the west entrance of Calvin Hall was presented. The entrance is the primary public entry for the Registrar’s Service Center and the only accessible entry for the building. The proposed design provides a public accessible route that is distinguishable from the service/delivery route. The public entry is emphasized with a larger court area and accessed by a new curving slope sidewalk and ramp system from the south. Directional signage from the adjacent parking ramp and other side of the building is included.

As part of the project, it is proposed to upgrade the handrail system at the front, south monumental stair and adjacent lower level stair to include guard and hand rails to meet building code. The exiting center rail will be removed.

Discussion at work session included replacing the entry door, perhaps the installation of a canopy feature to further emphasize the “primary entrance”, relocation of the power assist button and the consideration of removing the conduct connecting the button, repairing the brick/mortar patch under the louver near this entrance, and consideration of the light fixture above the door.

This project will be brought back for review as it develops.

**Psychology and Learning Center Building – Construct New Facility**
Initial conceptual designs of the Psychology and Learning Center Building were presented.

This roughly 78,000 GSF facility is to be sited along Iowa Avenue between the Biology East building and Spence Laboratories. The facility is to house general assignment classrooms, new lobby/pre-function space to the existing Van Allen auditoria, to which it will connect, faculty offices and research space and departmental administrative offices.

Discussion at work session included if consideration will be given to the wind effect created by the building along the intended pedestrian pathway, attention to the Van Allen memorial that is in the project area, reestablishing trees to the area if removed during construction, initial design ideas and how city regulations play into the design development.

This project will be brought back to committee as it is developed.

**West Campus Residence Hall – Construct New Facility**
Updated site plans for the West Campus Residence Hall were presented.

The initial proposal presented two six-story buildings linked by a glass lounge/bridge. The updated proposal in preliminary design describes an approximate ten-story single tower structure with an attached one-story structure programmed as community space.

Discussion at work session included traffic and pedestrian circulation issues, the consideration of additional bus traffic to accommodate the additional students, food service accommodations, and master planning future expansion in the remaining area around the quadrangle.

This project will be brought back to committee as it is developed.
**Carver-Hawkeye Arena – Pavilion Naming**

A proposal for naming the addition to the Carver-Hawkeye Arena the Dale and Marilyn Howard Family Pavilion and the subsequent signage was presented.

Discussion at work session included the scale and size of letters used, the hierarchy of names used on other named buildings/facilities and the method of installation.

The committee made recommendations and have asked for a few options to review. Because of timing, this proposal will be circulated to committee members for their feedback.

In follow-up, committee recommendations were considered and four additional options were presented. The option depicting the Howard Family Pavilion name installed above the embossed Hawkeye and Carver-Hawkeye Arena on the glass over the doorway in anodized aluminum was endorsed by committee members. Rod will communicate the Committee’s recommendation.

**ADJOURNED**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.