Facilities Investments are Risk-based Investments

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So if facilities investments are risk-based investments...

...who's defining the institutional risk tolerance?

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institutional services. We were tempted to describe our menu of services and offer overviews of our custodial care, maintenance services, grounds care, utilities production and distribution, energy management, space management, project management, master planning, and other areas.

ow do you succinctly communicate the breadth, complexity, and forward-thinking approaches that are necessary for facilities management organizations to operate in today's complex and ever-changing environment? Recently, we were asked to do just that here at the University of Iowa Department of Facilities Management. The assignment was to develop the "physical asset management" portion of a short presentation that would be used to help external audiences understand

Depending on the audience, we might add internal support services such as communications, accounting, information technology, human resources, safety, and the other "life support services" critical to the effective operation of a facilities management organization. The natural tendency in our business, as with most businesses, is to describe our work in a narrow context often bounded by the organization charts that bring structure and order to our worlds. However, this approach would not really capture the

Optimal Space High Value Utilization and Project Configuration Investments **Total Cost** Optimal Energy of Efficient Building **Ownership** Operation Operation Managed Asset Life **Risks** and Extension Regulations (Renewal)

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Main Types of Business Risks

- Compliance Risk
- Operational Risk
- Financial Risk
- Reputational Risk
- Strategic Risk



Facilities Related Risks

Ensuring Continuity of Operations Protecting Physical Assets Protecting Research Assets Protecting Personal Assets Managing Indoor Air Quality **Ensuring Safe Drinking Water Ensuring Healthy Environments** Complying with Gov't Regulations Complying with Building Codes

Preparing for Catastrophic Events Managing Fire & Life Safety Systems Managing Building Security Systems Maintaining IT Operations **Completing Construction On Time** Managing Claims & Disputes Mitigating Future Operating Costs Managing Energy Performance **Ensuring Personal Safety**

Understanding Facilities Risks

- Capital Project Management
- Building Operations & Maintenance
- Utilities Procurement, Production & Distribution

Capital Project Delivery

High Risk Industry

- Code violations
- Delayed project completion
- Business continuity interruption and interferences
- Safety of workers and the public
- Public procurement requirements
- Weather and unforeseen conditions
- Claims and disputes
- Courts, arbitration and legal variability

Managing Investment Decisions

A principal responsibility of an owner's project manager is to manage the decisions that guide design and construction efforts. (i.e. Manage the "connection points" of the institution)



Competing Goals

Project Manager wants...

Lower Project Cost Delivered in Budget Shortest Delivery Time High Quality Clear & Complete Documents Program Driven Design

Operating Manager wants...

Lower Operating Cost Change Order Customized Long Term Performance Perfection Clear & Complete Standards Functional Driven Design



Aligning Project Goals

Misalignment of goals creates risk

- How are the goals prioritized?
- Who determines that priority?
- How are results measured?



Aligning the Decision Framework

What is the guiding framework for decision-making?

- First Cost?
- Total Cost of Ownership?
- Stewardship?



Project Manager as Budget Officer

Project managers essentially perform as budget officers.

They determine through their management of project decisions how much future funding will be committed by the institution for operations and renewal.



Investment or Expense?

Short-changing project management staffing will squeeze out the stakeholder engagement.

Under-skilling and staffing exposes an owner to unmanaged industry-inherent risks.

Understaffing project management efforts may increase financial exposure and cost owners many times over each year.

Building Operations & Maintenance

How do you evaluate and prioritize your facilities investments?

Building Systems Reliability



- Building Systems Reliability
- Energy Performance



- Building Systems Reliability
- Energy Performance
- Fire & Life Safety



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- Fire & Life Safety
- Access & Security



- Building Systems Reliability
- Energy Performance
- Fire & Life Safety
- Access & Security
- Facilities Asset Renewal



Campus Age Drives Overall Risk Profile



Sightlines Database- Construction Age

Growing Challenge

Total Sightlines Database Need 1950-2035



Utilities Procurement, Production & Distribution

Redundancy Robustness Reliability

Power Steam Chilled Water











Winter steam demand vs outdoor temp 16-17



Outside Air Temperature (°F)























Loop vs. Radial Distribution Systems





Energy Diversity





Thank You