Planning and Development Committee
Minutes
October 20, 1997

Members Present:
Lauren Adamson, Cleon Arrington, Dan Benardot, Missy Cody, Tim Crimmins, Nancy Deel, Paula Dressel, Joe Fisher, Charlene Hurt, Ben Johnson, Ellwood Oakley, Chris Paton, Mary Ann Romski, Brenda Smith, Vijay Vaishnavi, Bill Waugh, Armenia Williams, Judy Wold

Members Absent:

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. by Dr. Tim Crimmins.

Mr. John Medlock will provide staff support to the committee this year. John works in the College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Office, room 741-GCB. He can be reached at x1871, via GROUPWISE at dasjcm, or through e-mail at jmedlock@gsu.edu.

Master Planning Process

Harry Wyatt of Planning and Facilities is directing this project for the University. In his absence, Joe Fisher reported on its progress: Joe explained that the process will take 12-13 months from June, when the contracts were signed. The Master Planning Process is similar to the H.O.K. study but improved. There will be 20 teams appointed to represent every academic area in the University and there will be a core team consisting of the President, Provost, Vice President of Financial Planning and others that will meet weekly to set goals for the academic teams. The role of the P&D committee is to review the data produced by the architect and the teams and offer opinions or recommendations. Dr. Crimmins will distribute information concerning the process to committee members via email.

Report on Strategic Planning Process

Dr. Crimmins explained that the major task of the P&D Committee during the Fall Quarter is to approve the Updated Action Plan for the Strategic Plan. The 1997 updated version was distributed for review. Paula Dressel reported that Dr. Henry is working now to update the grid and develop the narrative for the F98 version. She explained that the Board of Regents has asked the University to return $3 million. This is the first time that the University will return actual money. Dr. Crimmins reported that the 1998 Action Plan will be distributed for review at the December meeting. In the mean time, he will distribute any drafts of the action plan to the committee members via email.

Report on SACS Reaffirmation Study

Sections 6.1-6.4 of the Study are the sections that the P&D Committee is concerned with. Dr. Crimmins will appoint a subcommittee to review these sections and develop a report for the entire committee to review. Dr. Crimmins asked for volunteers to sit on the sub-committee.
Update on Classroom Building

The Classroom Building is now on the list of Board of Regents Funded Projects. Sizemore Floyd, the same consulting firm used in the Master Planning Process, is preparing the program for the building. The building allows for a significant increase in classroom space for the university, 2500-3000 student stations. The P&D Committee's task is to review the program developed by the consultants for teaching purposes. Dr. Crimmins reported that the building will have study and social space in addition to classroom space.

Other Issues

North Metro Center: The university's lease on the North Metro Center runs out in the next 2-3 years. The University is investigating the purchase of land to build new buildings for a satellite campus in Alpharetta. The lease payments on the new property is significantly higher than the current payments on the North Metro Center. Dr. Crimmins suggested that the P&D Committee and CBSAC review and discuss the proposal.

Recorded by Cindy Forrest, College of Art and Sciences

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