

Committee chair Vijay Vaishnavi called the meeting to order at 1:04 pm.

The first order of business was to approve the minutes of the Planning and Development Committee on September 28, 1998. Two changes were made to the minutes. Philo Hutcheson was present at the meeting and Dr. Crimmins changed the last sentence in paragraph three on page two to read, The Commissioner of Planning for the City of Atlanta supports the plan and the City Traffic Engineer agreed to a decrease of traffic on Decatur Street and to a decommission of Gilmer Street. The minutes were approved with the changes.

Current Status of the 1999 Action Plan for the Strategic Plan

A draft dated 10/15/98 of the 1999 Action Plan Narrative for Strategic Plan Overview was distributed by Dr. Ron Henry. The three key features of the Plan include the development of systemic planning and evaluation mechanisms and processes within GSU, the FY 99 budget shortfall due in large part due to to the conversion from the quarter system to the semester system and the potential shortfall in FY 00, and the redirection of monies mandated by the Office of Planning and Budget and the Board of Regents to continue at least into the fourth year. Because of these features there are no new initiatives identified for 1999. The Plan continues to focus on areas previously identified as priority areas and those areas that the SACS reaffirmation and the NCAA certification teams identified as needing further attention.

Update on the Campus Master Plan

The Georgia State University Master Plan Update handout was distributed with the Sizemore Floyd Architects' "Main Street" Scheme Preliminary Master Plan and the University Space Calculation Final Report. Joe Fisher went over the "Main Street" scheme pointing out the many significant improvements. The Plan is opportunity based as certain properties become available and will be implemented over a ten year period at an estimated cost of $500M.

Regarding lost parking spaces, Dr Crimmins said there are no plans to add additional parking spaces to G deck. New parking areas will be on the fringes of the campus.

Update on the Wachovia Building Project

Joe Fisher announced that the Wachovia Building will be ready for occupancy in six months. A handout was distributed showing which departments or groups would be on each floor. All floors are approximately the same size. The 30 workstations in the computer lab will be operated by the School of Policy Studies and not the Computer Center. There is still a need for furniture. The budget figures do not include funds for equipment or furniture.
New Business

The next regular scheduled meeting of the Planning and Development Committee is Monday, November 16th. Dr Vaishnavi asked everyone to submit agenda items.

A special meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 3rd, to consider approval of the Campus Master Plan.