

The 1998-99 organizational meeting was called to order at 1:10. 1997-98 committee chair Vijay Vaishnavi welcomed all new members. The committee approved the minutes from the April meeting as the first item of business.

Election of 1998-99 Committee Chair
Dr. Mary Ann Romski nominated Dr. Vaishnavi to serve again as committee chair. The committee made no additional nominations, and Dr. Vaishnavi was elected to a second term.

1998-99 Meeting Dates
Dr. Vaishnavi proposed that the committee continue to meet monthly on Mondays at 1:00 in room 315 Alumni Hall. The committee approved the proposal. The 1998-99 meeting dates are as follows:

5/18/98 1/25/99
9/21/98 2/22/99
10/19/98 3/22/99
11/16/98 4/19/99
12/7/98

New Business
Mr. Joe Fisher updated the group on current major projects.

He informed the committee that the plans for the new recreation center were approved at the May Board of Regents' meeting. The bond funding plan is near completion, and a program manager will be hired in the next few weeks. The facility should open in January 2001. The 30 million dollar project will be paid with student fees that the University has been collecting for approximately one year. The full-service center will feature a running track, rock-climbing wall, two swimming pools, tennis courts, basketball courts, and exercise and weight rooms. The facility will be built where the J parking lot currently stands. There are funds included in the project cost to replace the lost parking by adding three levels to the M deck. Construction that involves parking will be completed when classes are not in session.

The suburban campus project continues to develop. The City of Alpharetta will hold a bond referendum on July 21. The city will build and own the project and lease it to the GSU Foundation, who will in turn lease the facility to Georgia State. After the twenty-year lease is completed and the bonds are paid off, the property will belong to the University System. The three-level building of approximately 53,000 sq. ft. will open in January 2000. Although on hilly terrain, the 15-acre lot would allow for future expansion. Although much of the planning for the
The project has been completed, the specific floor layouts for the Alpharetta campus still must be determined. The involvement of the P&D committee will probably follow a pattern similar to that established for the new classroom building project. Dr. Vaishnavi suggested that there may be a need to set up a suburban campus committee that would report to the P&D committee.

The program plan for the new classroom building has recently been revised. Provost Ronald Henry approved a 48-classroom plan with 2,785 student stations, 2,089 of which are networked. There will be two one-hundred-and-twenty-seat and one two-hundred-seat classrooms. The smallest seating capacity will be 30-seat rooms instead of 28. Retail spaces on the ground floor have been designated for the Forsyth and the entire Broad street sides. Music will occupy the top floor instead of the basement as previously proposed. The designers have also explored using an atrium in the center of the building. Three properties have been acquired, and three others are under option with a seventh currently being signed. Papers for condemnation have been filed for the eighth property, the Peachtree Broad building. Demolition will begin in October, and plans call for the new facility to open in Fall 2001.

Mr. Fisher added that the state has raised the University's major repair rehabilitation allocation from $1.5 to $2 million. He is recommending that the additional funds be used to rebuild the elevators in the Commerce Club Building. Dr. P.C. Tai asked if there were any plans to complete work in the Natural Science Center by adding elevators to two empty shafts. Mr. Fisher indicated that this project is not considered a repair since NSC is a new facility. Repairs to the 1 Park Place elevators are progressing. Dr. Adamson noted that the elevators in GCB trigger a "No Smoking" message on every floor. Mr. Fisher stated that he would look into the problem.

In reference to a question on the master planning process, Mr. Harry Wyatt reported that revised student estimates for 2000 will exceed the projections originally submitted to the BoR by approximately 1,000 students. Mr. Wyatt indicated that the target of 28,000 students in 2007 is a conservative estimate. Completion of the master plan is projected for September.

Dr. Vaishnavi let the group know that he, Dr. Missy Cody, and Dr. Adamson served on CBSAC. He and Dr. Cody are also on the new classroom project committee. Committee members are encouraged to relate any concerns to P&D members on the appropriate committee.

No additional issues were raised, and Dr. Vaishnavi adjourned the meeting.

Recorded by John Medlock, Committee Assistant