Members Present: Lauren Adamson, Chip Barksdale, Missy Cody, Tim Crimmins, Truman Hartshorn, Charlene Hurt, Ellwood Oakley, Chris Paton, Vida Scarpello, Vijay Vaishnavi, Carol Whitcomb, Carol Winkler, Harry Wyatt.

Guests Present: Michael Bauer, Harvey Shompert.


Committee Chairman, Vijay Vaishnavi, called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

The first order of business was to approve the minutes from the December 15th Planning and Development Committee meeting. The motion was made and passed unanimously to approve the minutes as written.

Harry Wyatt introduced Harvey Shompert, Director of Design and Construction, and Michael Bauer, Mechanical Engineer. He then distributed and discussed two packets related to the Regular and Regulatory MRRF Requests for FY 2000 and FY 2001-2005 Capital Projects Request. The first packet contains the Capital Budget Allocation MRRF- Five Year Analysis, which compares our state funding with other institutions. Regarding maintenance funding, the Regents have recommended to the Legislature 1 1/2% of replacement cost per year as a goal. However, small institutions have been getting more than 1 1/2% and large institutions have gotten less. There is a lobbying effort to increase our maintenance funding. Last year we received $2.25 million and next year we hope for closer to $3 million.

The second packet includes the MRRF lists for FY 99 and the Capital Projects Request for FY 2000-2004. In FY 99, there was funding to carry out the first eight items in the Regular Projects list and the Commerce Building elevators project which was later added to the list. Most of the projects are in progress or under contract. In the Regulatory category, there was funding to initiate the first project -- upgrading elevators, complying with Fire Marshall requirements. The Regular and Regulatory MRRF List for FY 2000 and the FY 2001-2005 Capital Projects Requests List is due to the Regents on March 22. The package has been presented to CBSAC and approved with minor changes.

The motion was made and seconded to approve the Regular and Regulatory MRRF List for FY 2000. Harry Wyatt reviewed the projects on the Regular and the Regulatory MRRF lists. The focus of the projects on the list is on Energy Conservation and Control, elevators, HVAC, waterproofing, etc. Recoating the Sports Arena roof jumped from #14 in the FY 99 list to #1 in the FY 2000 list in order to maintain the warranty. The new boiler in Arts and Humanities and the chiller in General Classroom (items 2 and 3) will serve GC, A&H, and Kell buildings. In the Regulatory Projects category, the projects include those required to comply with Fire Marshall Requirements. Asbestos projects will be initiated as needed. About $7 million is needed to complete the list but only $3 million is expected. Dr. Crimmins mentioned that $6 million is designated for Y2K and could be a source of funding for projects that qualify.

The vote was unanimous to pass the Regular and Regulatory MRRF List for FY 2000.

The motion to pass the FY 2001-2005 Capital Projects Requests was made and opened the floor for discussion. Harry Wyatt said that no requests on the Minor Capital Projects list were funded last year. He reviewed all of the Minor Capital and Major Capital Project Requests as well as the Payback Capital Project
Request, which addresses parking. Included in the Major Capital Projects are the Teaching Laboratory Building to house the labs in Kell, the Humanities Building to replace Sparks, the Academic Building and the School of Art and Design. The list reflects the Campus Master Plan approved by the University Senate last year. GSU was advised by the Regents' staff that the Regents favor the #2 project in the FY 2000-2004 list—Law Library and Student Services—over renovation for high-tech classrooms since they recently approved the new Fairlie-Poplar Classroom Building. This is the reason for assigning the first priority to the Law Library and Student Services Renovation project.

The vote to approve the FY 2001-2005 Capital Projects Requests was unanimous.

New Business:

Harry Wyant gave an update on the North Metro Building saying they are close to finalizing the contract. Construction could start in early March and be completed by January 2000. The contract includes a considerable bonus for the contractor if the Contractor finishes by November 20th. Classes could be held at North Metro and Alpharetta for Spring Semester 2000 if the furniture and equipment issues can be resolved, i.e., identifying furniture to be reused and obtaining equipment that is not budgeted.

General contractors have been interviewed for pre-construction services on the Recreation facility. The completion is scheduled for May 2001.

Construction of the additional two floors on M parking deck should be completed in the Fall 1999.

The motion to adjourn was passed.

Submitted by Sally Smith