Planning & Development Committee Meeting
February 22, 2005


Absent: Benjamin Baez, Michael Binford, Greg Brack, William (Bill) Fritz, Christine Gallant, Richard Glover, Ron Henry, Josue Heredia, John Hicks, Peter Lyons, Marcia Pearl, George Rainbolt, Frank Whittington, Carol Winkler, James (Jim) Wolk.

Others Attending: Harvey Shumpert, Elizabeth Jones.

The Agenda for the meeting was as follows:

1. Approval of Minutes 1/24/05

2. Approval of the Major/Minor Capital Request and the revised MRRF Project Lists

3. Planning & Development Responsibility (From Senate Statutes & Bylaws)

4. Subcommittee Reports

Phang Tai called the meeting to order at apx. 1pm.

The 1st 2 items on the agenda Approval of the 1/24/05 Minutes and Approval of the Major/Minor Capital Request were introduced & briefly went over by Phang Tai and Harvey Shumpert then motioned in and accepted by the committee. No major changes or updates were mentioned.

The discussion that took place in regards to those items were as follows:

- On the Preliminary MRRF List (to be reviewed by CBSAC then resent to P&D for final approval, Phang Tai mentioned that the reviewing committee went along with most of the suggestions given by P&D with the exception of item 5a, pg 2 (Urban Life Bldg Fixtures replacement); which was to be “moved together with Urban Life.” He mentioned that this would save some money and that there was apx. 5 million on the Board of Regents’ MRRF funding lists.
• **Siva Nathan** questioned plans for Kell Hall. Questioning the sense behind spending money on it, when there were rumors of it being torn down. **Jerry Rackcliffe** explained that the new Science Teaching Building would free up space in Kell Hall, then once the Humanities Building was funded, people would move out of Sparks Hall into Kell Hall. Once renovation in Sparks Hall was completed, people could move out of Kell Hall back into Sparks Hall, and only then would Kell Hall be torn down. **Phang Tai** mentioned that that was from the 1999 Master Plan. He also mentioned this would take apx. 10-15 years to implement.

• **Harvey Shumpert** - “Theoretically, once you got on the list for the Board of Regents’ its supposed to be a 5 year cycle, then once you’re on the list you go get your construction money. However, our Teaching Building has been on the list for longer than 5 years.”

Tai then moved on to item #3 of the agenda Planning & Development Responsibility (From Senate Statutes & Bylaws). He mentioned that Statutes & Bylaws wanted the P&D committee to look at it’s responsibilities only and fine tune what they were. **Tai** brought to the meeting the following document showing what the current responsibilities of the committee were, and an amendment that was made to those responsibilities on 12/13/04.

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Planning & Development Responsibility
(From Senate Statutes & Bylaws)

... Section 8. Committee on Planning & Development

B. The Purpose of this committee shall be to advise and make recommendations to the President and University Senate. The committee shall be responsible for the development of long-range projections, taking into account the role and scope of the University, its financial resources, budget-making process, and its relation with, and service to, the public. Included in the responsibilities of the committee shall be approval of the University Strategic and Annual Action Plans: consideration of long-range planning for academic programs as developed by the Committee on Admissions and Standards, the Committee on Academic Programs and Continuing Education, and the Committee on Research; the acquisition of facilities, the maintenance of physical facilities and grounds, the allocation of space, development, alumni affairs, and institutional studies; and to oversee the Administrative and Support Unit Review process.

C. The committee shall elect a chair within ten (10) working days after the election of a new committee.

... from the 12/13/04 Minutes

The group again discussed briefly the number of official & non-official members within the group and decided to accept the amended suggestions in regards to:

• changing the number of "33" senators to the more mathematically proportional number of "at least 28"

• changing the name of the position of "Provost" to "Associate Provost for Institutional Effectiveness"

• adding Ron’s corrective sentence in regards to the "recommendation of the University Strategic Plan and the approval of the Annual Action Plan"
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Some of the issues Tai wanted to focus on in that present document was P&D’s responsibility to the University Strategic Plan & the Annual Action Plan. He gave some insight into what the Senate & Bylaws Committee wanted clarity on and mentioned to the group that P&D was the final approving committee for the yearly strategic plan but not the strategic action plan from 2005-2010 (which goes to the Senate for final approval).

Discussion ensued in regards to the document and after several motions & suggestions were made & withdrawn the group finally MOTIONED & ACCEPTED to submit the 3rd bulleted item from the document and then reconstitute the subcommittee that drafted it, after the 1st organizational meeting of the committee’s new term in April.

There were no major issues to report from the P&D Subcommittees (item #4 on the agenda) and after Tai announced a change in the meeting schedule for the next upcoming organization meeting for the new year from Tuesday, 4/19/05 to Monday, 4/25/05 he adjourned the meeting at apx. 1:43pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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