UFFAB Meeting Minutes
Thursday October 24, 2013
303 GSB Large Conference Room

Members Present: Jenna Muniz, ULC, Chair
Lexi Evans, Warner College of Natural Resources, Vice Chair
Riley Smith, College of Health and Human Sciences
Michelle Staros, College of VMBS
Jeff Cook, Graduate School
Amber Weimer, College of Natural Sciences
Matt Lancto, College of Liberal Arts
Lance Oles, College of Agricultural Sciences
Kayln Miller, College of Business

Members Not Present: Alex Brown, College of Engineering

Members at Large Present: Sam Guinn, ASCSU Representative

Members at Large Not Present:

Associate Members Present: Noah Taherkhani, College of Engineering

Associate Members Not Present: Ashley Cypress, College of Health and Human Science

Ex – Officio Members Present: Steve Hultin, Faculty Advisor
Toni Scofield, Staff Support
Lindsay Brown, Staff Support
Cassidy Collins, Staff Support
Andrew Olson, SFRB Liaison
Kristi Buffington, Manager for Space and Information Management, Facilities Management
Patrick Burns, Ex – Officio Member

Ex – Officio Members Not Present: Tamla Blunt, Ex-Officio Member
I. Call to Order

- Meeting called to order by Jenna.

II. Approval of Minutes from October 10, 2013

- Motion made to approve minutes by Jeff. Lexi seconded the motion.

- Minutes approved.

III. College of Natural Sciences Biology Building Presentation - James Sites, Assoc. Dean of Natural Sciences

- They didn’t come to make a formal request, just wanted to be on our radar.

- Mike discussed the following:
  i. They hope to emulate the BSB and computer sciences buildings
  ii. Biology is the largest major on campus, and is currently experiencing growth.
  iii. The anatomy zoology building has already been outgrown. Since Biology is ever changing, the building is very outdated and the CSU growth is extremely outpaced. We think of Biology in a whole new way, and we now need to think about dissections and lab studies.
  iv. Biology is a place that provides jobs with good salaries. There will be a 43% increase in available jobs for Biology students.
  v. If campus grows the way that we predict it will by 2020, there will be need for more faculty classrooms and other things.
  vi. The plan is a new Biology Building. It emulates the other buildings on campus. We want it to grow through the 21st century.
  vii. More than half of the students at CSU come through biology courses. Not just declared Biology majors.
  viii. There are only 300 employees - they feel there is no room to grow without pushing anyone out.
  ix. What would be added:
      1. A large lecture Hall
2. Labs for upper division classes
3. Student support suite: offices/meeting rooms for advising
4. Integrated state of the art research and instruction
5. Coffee shop/Study areas
6. Computer Labs

x. Graham Peers began - More faculty would provide means of better training. But as more faculty comes, we need more space for students.

xi. Jenna asked if there is a budget estimate?
   1. Per and Mike answered that the price range will be around 66 Million, much like Scott Bio? Building.

xii. Andrew asked if since Engineering II is Leed Gold certified, will this building be as well?
    1. Per answered that yes we will make the Biology Building Leed Gold Certified - which is almost the highest prestige we can reach - if not make it platinum (the highest).

xiii. Jenna asked if there is a time frame?
   1. Mike answered that this is the top priority of the University, which would mean construction could begin this year or the next.

xiv. Steve asked what about the space that will be left behind?
   1. Several things are being discussed, it probably needs fairly extensive remodeling. CVMBS has had some ideas of what to use the building for.

xv. Steve added that the old Microbiology building has been updated and renovated throughout his 20 years, so it would be beneficial to get in there while it is not occupied, and take the opportunity to flip it.

xvi. Michelle asked what the A/Z addition is?
   1. Per answered that there is a sidewalk that we could use to grow our science mall, it is indicating an idea that would happen many years in advance.

xvii. What kind of courses would you like to add to the program?
   1. There isn’t just an issue in the number of students in our major but there is also the amount of variety of classes that slow down graduation. With more faculty and classes, we would be able to keep up with the data analysis. It’s increasing the capacity, and adding courses to the books that have been cut for years.
   2. This isn’t purely within the biology department. Computational biology is growing faster than computer sciences itself and we need to bring people in from different places.

xviii. Jenna ended discussion and introduced Mike Davis.

IV. Small Classroom Update Presentation - Mike Davis, Manager, Remodel and Construction Services
a. Mike presented to show UFFAB where we have been in the General Assignment Classrooms.
   i. General Assignment classrooms do not belong to any specific college. They are scheduled by the registrar’s office. The use of these classes is growing.
ii. Most of these classrooms were those that have not been updated in decades.

b. With $10 Million we were able to:
   i. Bring 94 classrooms to UFFAB Standards and install AC in Sheppardson and Eddy.
   ii. Natural resources was redone. There was a large amount of wasted space, which is now occupied by more seats. Plus an update of technology and ADA accessibility.
   iii. The Chemistry A101 building was redone, making it much more inviting and useful.
   iv. Animal Science, Chemistry, and Pathology are now acoustically neutral for improved sound quality because of an echo issue.
   v. Glover, Eddy, Physiology, Visual Arts were all helped a little bit by that money.
   vi. There are now 94 classrooms in 23 different buildings on campus that have been renovated.
   vii. There are still 72 classrooms that haven’t been touched.
   viii. Priority goes this way:
       1. Number of students in classroom
       2. Current technology and seating
       3. Overall condition of room
       4. ADA accessibility
   ix. The Board requested utilization reports of the classrooms on the shopping list to be provided by Mike Davis with Kristi’s help.
   x. Noah asked how far back it would set us to remodel one of the large classrooms and how long we would be displaced.
      1. Mike answered that it would be over Summer break, and if we were organized enough maybe even Christmas Break.
   xi. Jeff requested a utilization report on all the classrooms, since it would be very useful information to us in deciding which classrooms are more important.
      1. Pat Burns added that it may be beneficial to look at both sides the before and after utilization reports.
   xii. Kristi will have the Utilization records for next meeting on 11/7/13.

V. President’s Student Financial Advisory Board - Jenna Muniz and Lexi Evans
a. Jenna introduced PSFAB. It is basically that they want to invite students in the overall budgeting of the University.

b. The Board is to get ideas from the students, and Lexi and Jenna want to bring these ideas back to the UFFAB.

c. Lexi added that we need to coordinate with the University Technology Fee Advisory Board (UTFAB), and attend those meetings and really coordinate with them. She wants to create a bridge relationship.

d. Can we do joint remodels where they pay for the electronics?
   i. Yes, that's exactly what could happen.

e. Pat added that he wants more strategic input from the students.
f. Steve recommended that UTFAB could come and give a summary to us, and we could give a summary to them so that we both know what is going on.

VI. Next Meeting: November 7, 2013, 102C Aylesworth - CHHS Lab

VII. Adjourn at 6:02 PM 10/24/13