

# University Facility Fee Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Animal Sciences Conference Room

**Members Present:** Ashley Cypress - Chair  
Sam Laffey – Vice Chair  
Elly Bingaman – College of Business  
Noah Taherkhani – College of Engineering  
Annalis Norman – College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences  
Zack Alves – College of Health and Human Sciences  
Robert Edwards – College of Natural Sciences  
Jeff Cook – Graduate College  
Clayton King – College of Liberal Arts

**Members Not Present:** Rachel Largay – Warner College of Natural Resources

**Members at Large Present:** Jeff Seligman - College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences

**Associate Members Present:** Liz Danke - College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences

## Ex – Officio

**Members Present:** Steve Hultin – Facilities Management, Advisor  
Becca Wren – Staff Support  
Savanna Bunnell – Staff Support  
Pat Burns – Dean of Libraries  
Kristi Buffington – Ex-Officio Member

## Visitors:

### I. Call to Order at 5:00 PM

A. Meeting was called to order.

### II. Introductions

### III. Approval of Minutes

- a) Jeff Cook made a motion to approve the minutes from October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014.
- b) Noah seconded.
- c) All approved, none opposed, none abstained.
- d) Minutes approved.

### IV. Eddy 100- Flipped Classroom Furniture

- a) Ashley, Sam, and Dr. Burns attended a Classroom Review Board Meeting, which reviews the condition and quality of general assignment classrooms.
- b) UFFAB has been asked by the Classroom Review Board to consider flipped classroom furniture and the arrangement of the furniture for two classrooms in Eddy.
- c) The two Eddy classrooms under consideration will both be general assignment classrooms, and can therefore apply to any subject/college/department.
- d) A major factor for the Board to consider is how quickly and easily the furniture can move because it is going to be a flipped classroom.
- e) Kristi Buffington brought several furniture items for the Board to demo.

- f) Two different room configurations were presented to the Board, one called “M” and the other called “N”.
- g) The UFFAB has the option of selecting one configuration or pieces of several configurations.
- h) Clayton suggested that option “N” would be too distracting with flipped furniture and leaves little walking room.
- i) Jeff Cook agreed with Clayton’s points.
- j) Noah countered that option “N” is cheaper than “M” and therefore more attractive.
- k) Kristi clarified that UFFAB is not being asked to provide funding for this furniture and that the budget shouldn’t be of concern. The layout of the room is the only thing to consider.
- l) Ashley said she thought option “M” would allow for quicker and easier flipping.
- m) Noah suggested selecting option “M” for one room and option “N” for the other to see which layout is better received by the students.
- n) Sam agreed that this method made sense, allowing for personal preference from students.
- o) Kristi also mentioned that the chairs demoed earlier are in use in the INTO program at Alder Hall.
  - a. The students there like the mobility of the chairs.
  - b. However, the program the INTO students are in is different than traditional classroom experiences.
- p) Clayton added that option “N” would allow for a seminar or circle discussion setting, which can be important in many classes.
- q) Ashley asked the Board if they were open to trying both configurations in separate classrooms to see how the student body liked each layout.
  - a. Both configurations offer positive aspects to teaching and learning.
  - b. Because flipped classrooms are still very new to the University, having two different models might be helpful in creating more flipped classrooms around campus.
- r) The two classrooms this furniture will go into are on different floors so moving the furniture would be a little challenging but not impossible.
- s) Jeff Cook said that he would prefer seeing uniformity among each classrooms rather than mixing and matching various furniture from two configurations into one room.
- t) Noah made a motion to vote for using both option “M” and option “N” in two different classrooms.
  - a. Sam seconded
  - b. 4 members in favor
  - c. 5 members opposed
  - d. Motion fails.
- u) Jeff Cook made a motion to configure both classrooms into option “M”.
  - a. Clayton seconded.
  - b. 6 members in favor
  - c. 3 members opposed
  - d. Motion passes.
  - e. Both classrooms will be configured into option “M”.

## **V. Tour of Animal Sciences Building**

Next meeting: November 13<sup>th</sup>, 5:00-6:00 pm – 303 GSB

**Adjourn at 6:00 PM**