UFFAB Meeting Minutes

Thursday February 14, 2013 303 General Services Building

Members Present: Vincent Crespin, College of Liberal Arts, Chair

Jenna Muniz, ULC, Vice Chair

Teresa Molello, College of Applied Human Sciences

Alex Brown, College of Engineering Andy Shank, College of Natural Sciences

Lexi Evans, Warner College of Natural Resources

Kayln Miller, College of Business Chelsey Crosse, Graduate School

Members Not

Present:

Ryan Knodle, College of CVMBS

Members at Large

Present:

Andrew Olson, ASCSU Representative

Members at

Large Not Present:

Associate Members

Present:

Associate Members

Not Present:

Ex – Officio Members Present: Steve Hultin, Faculty Advisor Toni Scofield, Staff Support

Lindsay Brown, Staff Support Daphne Frey, Staff Support

Patrick Burns, Ex – Officio Member

Kristi Buffington, Manager for Space and Information Management,

Facilities Management

Ex – Officio Members

Not Present: Lindon Belshe, SFRB Liaison

Visitors: Amy Parsons, Vice President of University Operations

Rick Miranda, Provost

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order.

II. Approval of Minutes from

Motion made to approve minutes by Lexi. Andrew made second to the motion. All Board members were in favor of approving the minutes, with one member obtained, from January 28, 2013.

Minutes approved.

III. Bi-Annual Discussion with Provost Rick Miranda and Vice President Amy Parsons

Rick Miranda and Amy Parsons started the meeting by introducing themselves.

Steve Hultin explained the Master Plan and the 2020 Plan to the Board. He explained the maps in the packet, the regular Master Plan and the Transportation Master Plan. He also explained the general assignment room spreadsheet that was presented in the packet. He informed the Board that the three projects in red are the current proposals before the Board that will be presented in a few weeks and the Board will vote on and the other classrooms in gold are potential rooms that could use updates also.

Amy Parsons also talked about the 2020 Plan to the Board. She noted that it is a financial model, not a building model. The 2020 Plan is a model that shows how the University will grow the campus to 35,000 students and deal with financial cuts from the State of Colorado. It is a plan to protect the University if funding from the State of Colorado ends by 2020. This plan looks at how to grow the campus to 35,000 students, what the campus will look like with the growth, how to keep student-faculty ratios low and still provide high quality education, and how to deal with the pressure on structures and future buildings with this growth.

A question was asked about how the University is marking it success in attracting more students to campus, particularly out-of-state students. Rick Miranda noted that CSU has been very successful with this so far. Rick explained that the model shows a rate of around 175 out-of-state students per year, which he feels is very obtainable.

Rick Miranda explained how this plan isn't extremely different then past growth plans in CSU's history. The campus grew for the first time in 1935 from a few hundred students to a few thousand students. This growth took around twenty years. The next growth came in 1950, lasted about 20 years, and the campus grew in physical size with many new buildings. Then the third wave of growth came around 2000 and is the one the Board is currently in. Rick explained how he thinks this will last for about 20 years also. The first growth was to build out the Oval. The second growth was to build the spine of campus. This growth is not to expand the footprint of campus but to infill campus with appropriate projects and renew

and preserve the buildings currently on campus. Rick and Amy strongly believe this is part of the natural evolution of campus.

Vincent then asked Rick and Amy to give input to the Board on the current proposals. Rick and Amy expressed their support for the Board and their decisions regarding funding spaces that provide the greatest good for the most students and also funding smaller, specialized projects. They asked the Board to continue doing what they are doing while keeping the 2020 plan in mind.

The discussion then moved into conversation about the Board's feelings on funded projects. The general assignment classroom upgrades was a favorite among Board members and they felt that more projects of this kind would be very beneficial for the future. They liked the immediate return from these projects and the very noticeable difference they make to the campus. Vincent also mentioned that it is difficult to always fund multimillion dollar projects and these small projects are much easier for the Board to fund.

Amy and Rick questioned the Board if there were any projects they regret funding. The Board agreed that they did not regret funding any project, but the Cube wasn't exactly what they thought it would be. They all felt the Cube has changed the flow of traffic on that part of campus, it changed the Library, and that it overall has changed how campus feels. They also felt the cube turned out smaller then they had originally thought. The Board also felt that the design of the Cube doesn't flow with the rest of campus during the day time, but looks amazing at night. The Board also mentioned that they do not feel this way about the Library upgrade – they are extremely happy with the interior upgrade and all agree that it is beautiful now.

Rick and Amy then addressed the proposals that are on the table for this semester. The Board expressed the need for more classroom type projects, improving old and building beautiful new spaces.

Steve Hultin moved the conversation into bond funding and how much the Board would gain with an increase in students. Steve wanted to inform the Board about further discussion on this topic for the future and to keep it in the back of their minds when thinking about the current projects. He also reminded the Board about the consequence of spending all their money for this semester and that if they chose to do this, the next three years the Board would have less than 200,000 each semester. Amy also noted that next fall the Board may want to talk about raising the student fee and how this would look for the Board.

Rick and Amy ended the discussion by thanking the Board for serving and they look forward to coming back next fall.

IV. Next Meeting: February 28, 2013 in 303 GSB.

V. Adjourn