

University Facility Fee Advisory Board Meeting

Thursday, April 2nd, 2015 - 5:00-6:00 pm

303 GSB

Members present: Ashley Cypress - Chair
Sam Laffey- Vice Chair
Grace Fenske – College of Business
Clayton King – College of Liberal Arts
Rachel Largay- Warner College of Natural Resources
Annalis Norman- CVMBS
Brady Rink – College of Agricultural Sciences
Zack Alves - College of Health and Human Sciences
Jessica Boyd – College of Engineering
Jeff Cook – Graduate College

Associate Members present: Garrett Stockton - College of Health and Human Sciences
Magdalena Michel - College of Health and Human Sciences

Members at Large present: Jeff Seligman- CVMBS
Rachel Franz – College of Liberal Arts

Ex-Officio

Members Present: Steve Hultin - Advisor
Pat Burns – Ex-Officio
Tamla Blunt – Ex-Officio
Becca Wren- Staff Support
Savanna Bunnell- Staff Support

I. Call to order at 5:00 PM

- a. Meeting was called to order.

II. Approval of Minutes

- a. Jeff Seligman moved to approve the minutes from March 26th, 2015.
- b. Grace seconded.
- c. All approved, none opposed, none abstained.
- d. Minutes approved.

III. Voting process discussion

- a. Because group A projects had such high rankings, discussion of those projects can be held until the next meeting.
- b. Not every project needs to be discussed line by line but rather in groups.
- c. A motion must be made for a project to be moved up into a group and then a separate motion must be made for a project to be moved down.
 - i. Projects that are moved down into group C don't have to have a replacement in group B.
- d. At any point, a Board member can make a motion to accept the table as is.
- e. Any projects left in group C at the end of the meeting will not be considered for final funding.
 - i. To be in consideration for final funding, projects must be in group A or B by the end of the meeting.

- f. The two options for the Johnson 222 flipped classroom are the same project with slightly different scopes of work. At any point, only one option for the flipped classroom can be in a group, as UFFAB will not be funding both options, just one or the other.
- g. Water Bottle Filling Station must be in group B by the end of the meeting to allocate any surplus funding to a filing station.
- h. The Board can begin making motions to move projects into groups, with discussion to follow.

IV. Project #21 - Psychology Lab

- a. Grace made a motion to move Clark Psychology Lab, Project #21 to Group B.
- b. Rachel Franz seconded.
 - i. Grace explained that there are already Wagar classrooms in group A and in group B so the general student body population will benefit. If Project #21 moves up, there would be a more diverse range of options to discuss in the next meeting. Project #21 reaches a new group of students.
 - ii. Annalis made a comparison of Wagar GA classrooms to the Psychology labs stating that there are less students affected by the Psychology labs and much more by the Wagar classroom remodels. General Assignment classrooms serves a very wide range of students.
 - iii. Jeff Seligman agreed with Annalis and pointed out that Project #21 had the second highest cost/student.
 - iv. Clayton said that because Project #21 has a lower budget request, it may be a project worth considering at the end, if there are surplus funds.
- c. Brady made a motion to keep Project #21 in Group C.
- d. Clayton seconded.
- e. All those in favor: 5
- f. All those opposed: 5
- g. All those abstained: 1
- h. Ashley, who only votes in occasions of tie-breaking, voted opposed.
- i. Motion failed
- j. The project remained in group C.

V. Project #17 and Project #18 - Johnson 222 Classroom Option 1 and Option 2

- a. Sam began to discuss Project #17 Johnson 222 Option 1, which was ranked into group B.
- b. Jeff Seligman voted Option 2 higher than Option 1 and expressed that he sees a lot of value in the flipped classroom project.
- c. Grace asked for clarification on the differences in scope of work between Option 1 and Option 2.
- d. Option 2 is a higher cost because it will allow for different types of furniture to be purchased so that the students can choose different seating options.
- e. Garret mentioned that he was the Assistant Project Manager on this project and help put the budget opinion together. He was confused by the submitter's estimated furniture estimation as he understood the total cost of furniture to be approximately \$400,000, which averages to about \$1,000/seat. He expressed concern by the project's budget and believes even with matching funds, this project will still be about \$100,000 short.
- f. Steve agreed that the cost of the flipped classroom is high but he also knows there is a lot of interest and support from higher administration to the flipped classroom project. Steve is confident that administration would be willing to match funds or supply more funds.
- g. The submitters of this project are confident that having UFFAB's support and funding will make a good case to other sources of funding.
- h. Sam shared that he believes the flipped classroom project is very valuable and gives student many options as how to learn best.

- i. Jeff Cook didn't see the value in either flipped classroom option as he feels there are plenty of classrooms around campus that allow for group work. He wants to see the project move down into group C.
- j. Jeff Seligman disagreed and said there is a lot of value in exploring the flipped classroom model in a large auditorium setting.
- k. Annalis counter argued that the difference in price between Option 1 and 2 is equal to a whole wing in the Visual Arts building. Is \$30,000 really worth what is included?
- l. Clayton reminded the Board that if administration saw this as a priority, they would find a way to fund it and not rely on UFFAB to do so.
- m. Zack commented that the total project cost (not UFFAB ask) was \$1.3 million, which is very high.
- n. Annalis made a motion to move Project #18 up to group B.
- o. Jeff Seligman seconded.
 - i. All those in favor :3
 - ii. All those opposed: 7
 - iii. All those abstained: 1
 - iv. Motion failed
 - v. The project remains in group C.

VI. Project #15 - Wagar Furniture

- a. Jeff Seligman made a motion to move Wagar Lobby Furniture project #15 up to group B.
- b. Grace Seconded
 - i. Jeff Seligman explained that he thought it was an inexpensive way to help a lot of students. He said it was worthwhile to have it in group C so that it can be funded with leftover money.
 - ii. Sam was concerned about the code violations found in the submitted design.
 - iii. Jeff Seligman argues that UFFAB had nothing to lose in regards to the code violation because the funds will not be released until the project is thoroughly re-designed with the code issues resolved.
- c. All those in favor: 5
- d. All those opposed: 5
- e. All those abstained: 1
- f. To break the tie, Ashley voted in favor of moving project #15 up to group B.
- g. Motion passes
- h. Project #15 moved up to group B.

VII. Project #17 - Johnson 222 Option 1

- a. Jeff Cook made a motion to move Project #17 Flipped Classroom Option 1 down to group C.
- b. Clayton seconded.
 - i. Annalis said that she thought this project affects a lot of people and could be important to the University.
- c. All those favor: 2
- d. All those opposed: 8
- e. All those abstained: 1
- f. Motion failed.
- g. Project remains in group B.

VIII. Project #11 - Wagar Classroom 231

- a. Jeff Seligman made a motion to move project #11 down.
- b. Grace seconded
 - i. Jeff Seligman explained that Project #11 is one of the most expensive and the Board has already shown support for a number of other GA classrooms.

- c. All those in favor: 7
- d. All those opposed: 4
- e. All those abstained: 0
- f. Motion passed
- g. Project is moved to group C.

IX. Project #19 - Rockwell Graduate Space

- a. Brady made a motion to move project #19 to group B.
- b. Grace seconded
 - i. Clayton recalled that the price seemed very high for how small the project was.
 - ii. Brady explained that he would like to see this project in group C because it's a small amount of money and it is likely that at the end of allocation, there will be enough to fund it.
 - iii. Grace believes having a dedicated space for COB graduate students to study, grad papers, and work on group projects would be very beneficial to all COB students, as it will free up other spaces.
 - iv. Sam argued that this small of a project will not solve the College's space issues.
 - v. Rachel Largay asked why the College of Business wouldn't fund this.
 - vi. Grace answered that there is a new Dean who has other pressing priorities and that this project will probably slip through the cracks.
- c. All those in favor: 7
- d. All those opposed: 3
- e. All those abstained: 1
- f. Motion passed
- g. Project moves to group B.

X. Project #13 - Water Bottle Filling Stations

- a. Brady made a motion to move project up to group B.
- b. Rachel seconded
 - i. Sam pointed out that almost every member ranked it very low.
- c. All those in favor: 5
- d. All those opposed: 5
- e. All those abstained: 1
- f. To break the tie, Ashley voted in favor.
- g. Motion passed
- h. Project is moved to group B.

XI. Project #1 - HES Supplemental Request

- a. Sam made a motion to move project #1 to group B
- b. Jeff Seligman seconded
 - i. Sam explained he supports this project because it would effect a lot of students.
 - ii. Ashley made a point that Steve sent these rankings to Rick Miranda and Lynn Johnson. Lynn ranked it as her last priority and Rick Miranda ranked it as his first.
 - iii. Jeff Cook and Grace made the point that it was ranked so low that it would most likely not be funded.
 - iv. Ashley pointed out that UFFAB already funded \$1 million dollars to this project.
- c. All those in favor: 4
- d. All those opposed: 6
- e. All those abstained: 1
- f. Motion failed

- g. Project remains in group C.

XII. Project #20 - Shepardson Computer Labs

- a. Jeff Seligman made a motion to move project #20 down to group C.
- b. Rachel seconded.
 - i. Jeff Seligman explained that he wants to move the project down because he believes it is a very expensive project and affects a small population.
 - ii. Grace disagreed because she understands how distracting and irritating noisy HVAC systems can be in classrooms.
 - iii. Brady pointed out that he knows students who use that computer lab that are outside of the College of Ag Sci, so it would have an effect on a lot of students.
- c. All those in favor: 3
- d. All those opposed: 5
- e. All those abstained: 2
- f. Motion failed
- g. Project remains in group B.

XIII. Project #7 - Micro Classroom A113

- a. Jeff Seligman made a motion to move project #7 down to group C.
- b. Sam seconded
 - i. Jeff said that he is a microbiology minor and has used many classrooms in that building. He said A113 is very small and wouldn't have a huge impact on students.
 - ii. Annalis agreed and said its small classroom that it doesn't seem it would be that effective.
 - iii. Grace echoed previous opinions.
- c. All those in favor: 9
- d. All those opposed: 0
- e. All those abstained: 1
- f. Motion passed
- g. Project moves down to group C.

XIV. Project #2 - Visual Arts Pottery

- a. Jeff Cook made the motion to move project #2 to group B.
- b. Jeff Seligman seconded.
 - i. Jeff Cook remembered safety concerns in the Pottery wing, which is concerning. He recommended that we put this project in group B so it can be in consideration for the next meeting.
 - ii. Clayton felt that sculpture should be moved up instead of pottery.
- c. All those in favor: 4
- d. All those opposed: 5
- e. Abstained: 1
- f. Motion failed
- g. Project stays in group C

XV. Clayton made a motion that no further projects are moved from group C to group B.

- a. Annalis seconded
 - i. Clayton explained that the amount of projects in group A and B should be limited to make the next meeting easier.
- b. All those in favor: 10

- c. All those opposed: 0
- d. All those abstained: 0
- e. Motion passed
- f. No projects may come up from group C.

XVI. Project #9 - Wagar Classroom 132

- a. Sam made a motion to move project #9 to group C.
- b. Clayton seconded
 - i. Sam felt that because we already have two Wagar classrooms in group A. Funds should be dedicated elsewhere.
- c. All those in Favor: 8
- d. All those opposed: 2
- e. All those abstained: 0
- f. Motion passed
- g. Project moves down to group C.

XVII. Jeff Seligman moved to approve the table as is.

- a. Brady Seconded
- b. All those in favor: 9
- c. All those opposed: 1
- d. All those abstained: 0
- e. The board is accepted as is.

XVIII. Next Steps

- a. Becca will resend the table with the C group projects removed.
- b. The board will re-rank projects based on previous conversations.

Next Meeting – Thursday, April 9th, 5:00-6:00 pm in 303 GSB