

Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee
November 05, 2024, at 2:00 PM
Planning, Design & Construction Division, 245 Gale Lemerand Drive
ZOOM Minutes

ATTENDEES:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Carol Demas, Lecturer, Department of Mathematics
Linda Dixon, Planning, Design & Construction
Margaret Fields, Associate Dean, Liberal Arts & Sciences
Shannon (Lexie) Holliday, Associate Professor, Orthodontics
Mark Leeps, Assistant, Journalism
Ericka Olgaard, Clinical Associate Professor, Department of Pathology, Immunology & Lab Medicine
Jay Watkins, Chair, School of Music
Matt Williams, Director, Office of Sustainability
Joe Aufmuth, Associate University Librarian, LB-Government Documents
Nancy M. Clark, Associate Professor, School of Architecture
Ronnie Cooper, Project Director, IFAS Facilities Planning
Carol Demas, Lecturer, Mathematics
Megan Forbes, Chair, English Language Institute
Ira Harkness, Instructional Assistant Professor, Material Sciences & Engineering
Mark Helms, AVP, Facility Services Division
Michael O'Malley, Academic Advisor, Honors Program
Sarah Erikson, Associate University Librarian, University Libraries
Nicholas Andrews, Student
Aleah Henley, Student
Jordan Gebaide, Student

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ann Baird, Librarian, UF AFA Library
Nancy Chrystal-Green, AVP – Division of Student Life
Laura Dedenbach, Instructional Assistant Professor, Urban and Regional Planning
Sarah Gamble, Lecturer, School of Architecture
Gail Hansen De Chapman, Chair, Lakes, Vegetation & Landscaping Committee
Robert Hatch, Professor & Director of Medical Students
Cydney McGlothlin, AVP, Planning, Design & Construction
Andrew Persons, City Planner, City of Gainesville
Lynda Reinhart, Director, O'Connell Center
Brandi Renton, Assistant Vice President, Business Affairs
Pawel Petelewicz, Assistant Professor, Department of Agronomy
Joseph Riley, Professor, Community Dentistry
William Smith, Assistant Athletic Director, University Athletic Association
Nina Stoyan-Rosenzweig, Coordinator, Health Affairs
Lin Yang, Soil and Water Science

VISITORS:

Rick Falcon, Administrative Specialist, Planning, Design & Construction
Melissa Thomas, Administrative Assistant, Planning, Design & Construction
Marty Dempsey, Sr. Associate Director, Facilities & Operations Recreational Sports
Frank Javaheri, Director of Construction, Planning, Design & Construction
Carrie B. Bush, AVP, Administration and External Relations
Marley Concha, Intern, Planning, Design & Construction

CHAIR: Jay Watkins chaired the meeting today.

CALL TO ORDER:

Jay Watkins called the meeting to order at 2:03pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES:

Nancy Clark moved to approve the August minutes and the agenda; Joe Aufmuth seconded; motion passed unanimously.

UF-318 – Dental Science Building

Addition & Renovation

PRESENTING: Frank Javaheri

DISCUSSION: Frank presented on behalf of Jim Vignola, a project manager on vacation. The presentation was about the programming phase of the Dental Science building project, which is a 4 to 5-year project driven by the College of Dentistry to maintain and enhance their program at UF. The new construction will be on a parking lot, with the majority of the parking spaces being ADA compliant. The project will impact the site significantly, and tree surveys and topography surveys have been conducted. The project will be reviewed at the advanced design and design development phases. The presentation also included a discussion on the landscape master plan for the Health Science area, which will simplify the entry to the dental science building and enhance the parking access. Linda confirmed that the site is identified in the campus master plan as a future building site. Nina raised concerns about parking for people with ADA accommodations, and Linda mentioned that the issue will be addressed by the parking and transportation advisory committee.

MOTION: Joe Aufmuth made a motion to approve the project as presented. Ericka Olgaard seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION:

New Member Orientation

PRESENTING: Linda Dixon

Linda discussed the Faculty Senate joint committee's responsibilities, including reviewing the campus master plan, providing recommendations on land use changes, and evaluating architectural designs. She explained the committee's structure, which includes 20 faculty members, 3 non-voting student members, and several non-voting liaisons. Linda also mentioned the committee's meeting schedule, which is the first Tuesday of the month at 2 PM, and the shift to a hybrid meeting format. She emphasized the importance of protecting the Zoom link to prevent disruptions and encouraged attendees to participate in person. Linda also mentioned the availability of meeting agendas, presentations, and other resources on the committee's website.

Linda provided an overview of the various committees involved in reviewing and approving construction projects on campus, including the Lakes, Vegetation & Landscaping Committee, the Historic Buildings and Sites Committee, and the Parking and Transportation Advisory Committee. She explained the process of project review, the roles of liaisons, and the Sunshine Law requirements for committee meetings. Linda also mentioned that the campus master plan, which was adopted in 2020, will be updated in the coming year.

Chair Report Jay Watkins

Jay discussed the recent meetings of the Infrastructure Council, which focused on faculty input for the Presidential Search Committee and potential new buildings on campus, including the Baby Gator childcare center and a university-wide testing center. He anticipated that proposals for these projects would be presented to the committee during the current academic year.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:39pm.