

**UNIVERSITY SPACE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE
MINUTES #2**

April 14, 2008

The meeting of the University Space and Facilities Committee was held on Monday April 14, 2008 in Student Business Services Room 405 at 11:00am.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Nick DeRuyter (Proxy for Anna Kircher), Mark Larson, Jena Burges, Burt Nordstrom, Joan Tyson, Scott Burgess, Carl Coffey, Gary Krietsch, Robert Gunsalsus

OTHERS PRESENT: Melissa Zielenski

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting convened at 11:06am.

**APPROVAL OF
MEETING MINUTES**

The minutes for Meeting #1 (January 8, 2008) were approved.

**HSU PHOTOVOLTAIC
PROJECTS
CONCEPTUAL
APPROVAL FOR
CALIFORNIA SOLAR
INITIATIVE**

Tim Moxon provided a brief description of this project. Two CSU campuses received money for solar projects. Solar panels would be placed on the roof of the Library. The company that will provide these panels will retain the investment credits and own the panels. The University will receive the energy savings and will have the option in 20 years to pay the tax credits and keep the panels, or to let the company keep them. Tim said he needs conceptual approval in order to moved ahead and begin negotiations with contractors. Jena asked about the student project proposed for the Music Building. Tim responded the University would own the solar panels being placed there. The Music Building project will be significantly smaller than the one going onto the Library. The Library project will hold about 300 kilowatts, whereas the student project will run about 12.5 kilowatts. There will be no conflict with the future proposed parking structure near the Library. Mark Larson asked about the timetable for the project. Tim said a Request for Proposals would be sent out to contractors, with an agreement in place near the end of summer. Carl mentioned the panels would not be visible except from Founders Hall. Mark asked whether the energy would go to the HSU grid. Tim replied that all the power made will be consumed on campus. The University consumes more power than it creates, even during the summer time. There is some money savings as the University never pays more than market price for power. The main reason for the project is to get green power on campus. Burt made the motion to approve the concept to initiate into negotiations with the company for the California Solar Initiative. Mark Larson seconded. Motion passed unanimously
Phase II for this project will come back to this committee for

approval. Tim mentioned the student proposal for the solar panels on the old Music Building. This will come before the committee for approval, but they were not able to come to this meeting as they had not gone through their Dean or Vice President. The Humboldt Energy Independent Fund (HEIF) is funded by a student fee instituted by the President to bring renewable energy to HSU. The HEIF went out for proposals for renewable energy projects. There were four projects that came in, including the project for the solar panels on the old Music Building submitted by RESU (Renewable Energy Student Union). The project will be coordinated by graduate students and include student involvement with the contractor and installation. The group will partner with Plant Operations to prepare the Request for Proposal. They picked the Music Building to be visible and an example for what the money is going for. They propose to work with three Art professors to do a design competition for artwork on the back of the solar panels. They will work with Carolyn Ward and her class on interpretive signage. The project is small at 12.5 kilowatts. The group knows the building is temporary and has addressed that issue in their proposal. They have a \$500 stipend to use towards the art. Carl asked how many panels will be on the roof. Tim said it will occupy 13 square yards of space, which will not take up the entire roof. Carl mentioned he is concerned that it will be very visible but is not opposed to the project as long as it is aesthetically pleasing. He likes the student involvement and photovoltaic project, but is not sure about the art, and asked Tim to convey this to the student group working on the project. Jena asked if this committee approved the design. Gary answered that the committee does not approve the design but does recommend it to the President for his approval. Tim said he was impressed by the students' proposal for this project. They started at zero and covered several important areas without having any guidelines to go on. Construction would begin next semester. It was agreed that another meeting would have to be held before the end of the semester.

**NATURAL HISTORY
MUSEUM PANEL
MURAL**

Melissa Zielinski provided a brief summary on the Natural History Museum's Panel Mural proposal. The mural will go on the southwest side of the building, facing Wildberries. The mural will be set on four 4x8 panels, for a total of 8 ft. high by 16 ft. wide. It will depict a tide pool with local animals and a magnifying glass. Melissa said it will be an outside exhibit with the theme of "Take a Closer Look". The mural is on material that can be removed easily. Burt voiced the concern that it may look nice for 2-3 years but then become old and worn. Carl mentioned that these types of items have been approved with the condition if the mural is not taken care of or is defaced that

it can be removed within 30 days by the University. Plant Operations should be the ones to install and attach the mural. Scott Burgess asked about the placement on the building and if there was any foliage issues. Melissa responded there were no foliage issues and that she has always felt the location on the building is one of the best places for people to see, especially from the Wildberries parking lot. She would not want to place it any closer to the front of the building as it would appear too cluttered. The mural will be in color. Tim mentioned that his crew could install and mount the mural. The building has nice wood finishings so the mural should be attached in a way that will not affect the outside. Scott suggested that future proposals contain a picture of the building with the mural photo-shopped into the location so that a more accurate depiction could be had. This in turn could be added to the website. There was a brief discussion on who owned the mural. Carl made the motion to approve the mural and Mark Larson seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

**FACILITIES NAMING
COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION-
SCIENCE A ROOM
369A**

Robert Gunsalus, the chair of the Facilities Naming Committee, brought forward the approved naming recommendation for Science A Room 369A. The committee recommended the room be named after Thomas J. Clark. Dr. Clark was a significant contributor to the incorporation of nuclear magnetic resonance into the Humboldt State curriculum. He is a significant support to the University. Robert brought a template in draft form for the committee to see. The finished product will be one size up from 11 x 17. The plaque will hang inside Room 369A, next to the door. The room and lab are in good condition. Aesthetics were taken into consideration for this naming and the room location. Jena asked about Science A and the plan for it to be demolished. Robert replied they do not guarantee that names will be carried forward when a building is demolished, unless there is a compelling reason. The Facilities Naming Committee would be the body to decide whether it would be carried forward or not. The motion was made to accept the Facilities Naming Committee recommendation to name Science A Room 369A after Dr. Thomas J. Clark. The motion passed unanimously.

**DISCUSSION OF
PUBLIC ART**

Gary began this discussion by mentioning he had a student approach him about several potential art projects on campus. Gary said this brought up the issue to discuss handling outdoor and public art. Carl mentioned a proposal needs to be provided after it has been approved by the Public Art Committee. There was discussion on reestablishing the Public Art Committee. Joan Tyson said she has sent names of student representatives to the chair and was met with confusion. Carl said the Public Art Committee should be reconstituted and all

future public and outdoor art proposals should go to that committee first. Gary and his staff will look into the status of the Public Art Committee and report back to the next committee meeting.

DISCUSSION

Carl said the Library Circle is getting more and more congested. On the original Master Plan, the traffic loop is to be located on Harpst Street. He had a suggestion to expand the Library Circle. He had the Master Plan Architects sketch possible expansions, the best expansion going towards Siemens Hall. There are some issues that will arise in order to accommodate the accessible route. Carl said he recommends talking to the Parking & Transportation Committee about funding the expansion.

Joan Tyson mentioned CCAT is coming to the Associated Students for approval to replace their roof. She wanted to make sure that this was something the AS could not approve and that it needed to go through Plant Operations. Tim said they should work with Randy, as they cannot go to an outside contractor.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12pm.