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Members Present: J. Kus, (Chair), R. Boyd, C. Edmondson K. Johnson,
D. Nef, R. Raya-Fernandez, G. Wilson.

Members Absent: J. Amaral (excused).

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kus at 2:05 p.m. in the University Center, Room #203.

1. Minutes: MSC to approve the Minutes of 12/12/2007.
2. Agenda: MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
3. Communications and Announcements.
 - a. C. Edmondson raised questions related to one of the elevators in Science II, which has had problems for several weeks. R. Boyd and G. Wilson provided details of the problems, which relate to the original vendor installing the elevator with makeshift operating software. A reinstallation of the software resulted in additional problems. A lengthy discussion of the problems with this elevator and the vendor ensued.
 - b. R. Raya-Fernandez raised questions related to the condition of some of the trees on the east side of the campus, particularly around the Peters Building and Science II. R. Boyd and G. Wilson indicated that they will look into the matter.
4. Update on Campus Construction Projects.
 - a. Work on the new library is proceeding on schedule. The main collection/stacks area (the basement) is almost finished; tile in the bathrooms, lighting fixtures, and paint are being finished this month in that area. The basement and portions of the first floor should be completed by June (so that most of the book collection can return to campus by the start of the summer session). The expectation is that the old south wing can be vacated by summer; no decision has been made as to where the current south wing offices will be relocated (for the fall semester, when the south wing is being renovated). R. Boyd noted that portions of Barton Avenue will be resurfaced as a result of the damage caused during the library construction project.

- b. There was no update on the Chestnut Avenue project.
- c. The committee noted that portions of Backer Avenue within parking lot J were resurfaced during the semester break. Additional work on Backer within parking lot A will be necessary in the near future.
- d. The solar panels within lot V have been generating electricity since late December. Two educational kiosks (with information about the solar project, amount of electricity being generated, etc.) will be installed adjacent to lot V in the near future; additional panels related to the project will be installed in the lobby of Science I and the East Engineering Building.
- e. R. Boyd indicated that there was a public meeting last week related to the Master Plan update. We are now in the public response period; the expectation is that the final version of the plan will be presented to the Board of Trustees in November.
- f. R. Boyd and G. Wilson provided the committee with information related to the temporary chiller that will be installed in the Corporation Yard adjacent to the current chiller plant. This temporary unit (costing approximately \$600,000) will be needed to avoid running the current chiller plant during summer afternoons (and thus avoiding PG&E surcharges of approximately \$500,000 per year). The temporary unit will be used for the next four or five years (until the main plant is renovated and expanded). Preliminary planning money for the expansion of the chiller plant is included in the 08-09 budget.
- g. G. Wilson noted that there are currently over 130 projects (major and minor capital outlay) underway on campus -- in the past, the campus seldom had more than fifty projects underway at the same time. The staff is super busy with all of the projects.
- h. Active planning is underway to remodel the landscaping around the new library, including the area around the temporary entrance (to become the Leo Politi garden), the new Native American plant garden, and the Peace Garden.
- i. There was some discussion regarding a plan to revise or remodel the backside of the scoreboard at the corner of Cedar and Barstow.
- j. Questions were raised regarding the University High School project. It was noted that the main AT&T line runs underneath the proposed project location (south of Joyal and west of the Alumni House). Final approvals should be granted within the next few months.

MSC to adjourn at 3:00 p.m.

The next meeting of FACEL will be Wednesday, February 20, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. in the University Center, Room #203.

Agenda.

1. Approval of the Minutes of 2/6/2008.
2. Approval of the Agenda.
3. Communication and Announcements.
4. Update on Campus Construction Projects.