

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FRESNO  
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**Campus Planning Committee**

Minutes

February 2, 2018

**Members**

Present: Deborah Adishian-Astone, Derek Brantley, Mike Coles, Carolyn Coon, Kirsten Corey, Paul Halajian, Brad Hyatt, Lisa Kao, John Kriebs, Tinnah Medina, Laura Meyer, Sara Mitchel, Michael Mosinski, Dennis Nef, Chris Pluhar, Myunghwan Shin, Donald Stengel, Mike Tillman, Rich Vaillancour, Katie Williamson, Sandra Witte, William Wright and Blake Zante

Absent: John Bushoven, Hongwei Dong, Martin Grant (CO) and Thomas Holyoke

Guests: Jake Bergen, Martin Dietz, Devon Fullner, Martin Ilic, Richard Martinez, Virginia Mathew, Brandon Sepulveda and Demi Wack

Meeting called to order at 8:05 a.m.

1. Approval of the February 2, 2018, agenda. It was MSC to approve the agenda.
2. Mural Project - McLane Hall (*Action*)

Mr. Casey Supple, Fresno State art student, presented information regarding the Mural Project proposed for a small staircase wall at McLane Hall. The project is endorsed by the College of Science and Mathematics. Due to the timeline, there was general consensus to approve the project with the understanding that if maintenance became an issue the University would paint over the mural at its own discretion.

Ms. Kirsten Corey moved to approve the project as presented at the November 29, 2017, meeting, seconded by Ms. Lisa Kao. The motion passed without opposition or objection.

3. Ruiz Executive Classroom Building (*Action*) – Darden Architects/Mitchel

The Ruiz Executive Classroom project went through its first review on November 29, 2017. Mr. Martin Ilic, lead designer on the project, provided an overview of what was presented and how the comments and feedback provided at that meeting have been addressed in the revised plan.

The new single-story building will be located north of the existing Leon S. Peters Business Building. The gross square footage is 5,443 and the floor plan remains the same.

One of the main concerns was to modify the exterior elevation to better align with the exterior design of the Peters Business building. Based on the feedback, additional contextual elements were pulled from the Peters Business building, which informed the material palette used for the design: brick, concrete, plaster, and steel. Concrete was one of the major elements that helped connect the two structures.

Two options were presented with the only difference being at the east entrance. Option 1 includes the use of glass panels above the canopy. Option 1a uses brick above the canopy.

The Committee agreed that Darden Architects did a great job addressing the Committee's prior concern. There was additional discussion with the majority of the group favoring Option 1a. The campus consulting architect has reviewed both options for modification of the exterior design and has provided the campus with an approval letter as requested by the CSU.

The estimated total project cost is over \$3 million, funded from a combination of both state and non-state resources, which includes a \$1 million dollar gift from the Ruiz family.

Ms. Mitchel moved to approve the project with option 1a (use of brick over the canopy) as presented at this meeting, seconded by Mr. Halajian. There was no additional discussion. Motion carried without objection or abstention.

4. Demonstration Garden & Outdoor Classroom Proposal (*Action*) – Yun/Macias

Ms. Macias returned to the committee with an update on the Demonstration Garden and Outdoor Classroom Project initially presented at the September 22, 2017, meeting. The work group met with Mike Mosinski, university grounds manager and his team and conducted additional consultation with multiple agencies that have adopted similar garden programs.

Based on the feedback provided during the last meeting, the new proposed site is the Amphitheater, located west of the Music building. The space is underutilized and centrally located. It is well maintained and has the infrastructure necessary for this project, including irrigation.

The revised timeline seeks site approval and site evaluation in the spring. The goal is to have a groundbreaking late in the spring semester, a soft open in summer 2018, and the ribbon cutting in fall 2018.

Pending approval, the spring and summer will be focused on creating the partnerships that will occupy the spaces and begin preparing the plots. Those partnerships will be responsible for maintenance, sustainability and making sure that their plots are safe and uniform. A project team member would be responsible for overseeing this effort. It is anticipated that there would be an agreement with the community partner that would outline the responsibilities.

There was additional discussion regarding the new student union and what that would mean for the garden if it were developed at this location. Dr. Yun added that if the Amphitheatre area is approved for this project, the plan would be to begin the plantings at the furthest end from the building site. By the time the plans for the new student union are further developed, the garden project could then be redesigned or moved to another location if needed.

It was recommended the project group review and compare the investment verses potential life of the project to determine at what point the benefit/life of the project justifies the investment.

There was additional discussion regarding composting, critter and pest control, restrictions and/or parameters with regard to plant species or vegetation allowed in the garden, as well as guidelines and parameters for use of the garden.

Chair Astone clarified that given that this is a new site, additional consultation with the College of Arts and Humanities is necessary. She also requested additional information on how the

MOU(s) would be structured with the partnering agencies and recommended the group meet with the university grounds manager and campus landscape consulting architect to develop some guidelines (or principles) for the development of each plot and a visual of what is being proposed.

5. Peace Garden Benches (*Informational*) – Blake Zante, ASI President

Demi Wack, Associated Student, Inc. (ASI) Vice President of External Affairs, provided an update on the proposed benches for the Peace Garden. The project is a partnership between the University and ASI for the addition of 10 benches to be placed throughout the garden.

Mr. Villaincour and Mr. Mosinski met with the students at the site and reviewed potential locations for the benches.

The proposed design includes a sierra white granite base at the edges, consistent with what is used throughout this area. Wood material will be used for the seat and the back of the bench.

ASI pledged to donate \$20,000 to this project, which is half of the estimated cost.

Chair Astone requested that Mr. Vaillancour put a site plan together that would identify the potential locations and provide additional detail about the design of the bench. ASI leaders will then meet with Dr. Kapoor and will come back to the committee for approval.

6. Parking and Transportation (*Update*) – Derek Brantley

Mr. Brantley provided an update on some changes and future projects in Parking and Transportation.

There are 40 parking meters on parking lot P1 located along Shaw Avenue. There is no demand for turnover parking in this area and most of these remain unused. The plan is to relocate 34 of these metered stalls to areas where a current need has been identified. There will be no change to the count for student parking and no impact to faculty/staff parking.

- Parking lot P5/P6: These lots serve Peters building and Joyal, 20 metered stalls will be added to this area, 10 on each end.
- Parking lot P27: This is near Scott Avenue off of Cedar and serves the Residence Dining Facility, Children's Center and the Atrium, eight (8) metered stalls will be added at this location.
- Parking lot P20: The remaining six (6) metered stalls will be placed in this area along Jackson Avenue so as to provide turnover parking on this end of campus.

The cost will be fairly minimal as existing equipment will be used for this project and the work will be completed in house.

Chair Astone commented that Parking will look into returning the "Pizza & Parking" open forum, which provides an opportunity to provide information and encourage dialogue with our students regarding parking needs and concerns.

Yamabi & Horn Engineering conducted a pavement analysis and provided a detailed report and comprehensive review of all of our pavement, its current condition, its expected lifespan and estimated costs of repair.

Parking and Transportation put together a five-year parking lot repair and maintenance plan. Upon funding, work will begin on P27, which is behind the dorms, and P20 located north of Barstow Avenue. The goal with these projects is to increase student parking on the west end of campus while staying within the existing footprint.

There was additional discussion regarding the demand for electric vehicle charging stations. The campus currently has six (6) stations and they are always in use. Discussion are currently underway on how to manage use of the charging stations and the possibility of adding a station on the west end of campus.

There are other roadway improvements currently underway. These include an ADA crosswalk on Barstow Avenue and improvements near the city bus stop on Shaw Avenue near Barton. Both of these projects are at the Division of the State Architect for ADA review and compliance and should be moving forward in summer of 2018.

The discussion regarding Keats Avenue will return to a future meeting as this continues to be a concern.

#### 7. Other Business

Meeting Adjourned at 9:28 a.m.