

## **Notes From Space Committee**

Wednesday, November 7, 2007

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Sue Jameson Room

### **AGENDA**

- I. Class Room Renovation Program
  - a. Report on Summer '07 Renovations
  - b. Input to Classroom Renovation Committee on upcoming plans
- II. Prioritize Emerging & Continuing Issues
  - a. Proposal for Photo Studio
  - b. Northwest Information Center
  - c. Development Office
  - d. SSALI Classrooms
  - e. Ives Hall – availability in Fall '08
- III. Scheduling Issues
  - a. Ac.Af. Centralized Scheduling of Computer Labs
  - b. Resource 25 Scheduling Software
- IV. Tour New Nursing Lab (time certain 4:50)

#### **Attendees:**

Katie Pierce, Chair  
T.K. Clarke  
Mary Gendernalik-Cooper  
William Babula  
Saeid Rahimi  
Vanessa Franklin  
Carol Ingerman

Katie Pierce convened the meeting at 4:07

#### **I. Class Room Renovation Program**

Carol Ingerman distributed a power-point style report regarding classroom renovations. The report itemized the renovations completed during summer 2007 and those carried forward to be completed in Jan 2008. Faculty members have commented negatively about the installation of viewing screens that obscure the black or white board. Carol Ingerman confirmed that CPDC is aware of and plans to address the concern in future renovations.

The classroom renovations planned for Summer 2008 and 2009 drew significant attention. Members wondered how the lists had been developed. Carol Ingerman and Katie Pierce recapped last year's interaction with the CPDC Classroom Renovation

Committee, the tour of rooms that had been brought to the attention of both the CPDC and the Space Committee, and the criteria that the groups had used in developing the priorities (specifically first priority to rooms with health or ADA issues, heavily used multi-purpose classrooms, with special-use labs or rooms not heavily used not receiving top priority). Dean Babula stated his recollection that last year there had been the agreement (or suggestion) that each of the Deans be able to recommend their top priority for renovation each year. He distributed a document and advocated for Carson Hall Room 68 to be advanced on the list from Summer 2009 to Summer 2008 because that room is considered a multi-purpose room, is heavily scheduled at capacity and desperately in need of being equipped as a Technology Enhanced Classroom. Vanessa Franklin confirmed that the room is heavily utilized, more so than Stevenson Hall 2065 (an Anthropology Lab Classroom) that is on the list for 2008. Katie Pierce said she would explore with CPDC, the possibility or advisability of switching those two. Dean Rahimi made a case for upgrading the Kinesiology facilities in the Field House as soon as possible, indicating them as a very high priority with an impact on that Kinesiology's prospects for hiring new faculty in that discipline. He stated that two candidates rejected offers last year because of the poor condition of the facilities. He suggested that criteria for renovation be broadened to include aspects beyond the visible condition of the rooms, such as prospects for faculty recruitments, accreditation visits upcoming and the like. He will compile a list of such criteria for further discussion. Katie Pierce and Carol Ingerman reiterated that there had been considerable opportunity for faculty and Space Committee input to the Classroom Renovation Committee. But it was acknowledged that conditions and factors of importance change and it is hoped that there will continue to be opportunity for input. Katie said she thought CPDC would be open to further comment but expressed her view that if we take too long developing and debating criteria and engaging in consultation we risk missing the window of opportunity. Space Committee meeting time was growing short so Katie said she would try to get time on the agenda for Ac.Af. Council for consideration of criteria and further airing of related issues.

The subject of renovations in Ives Hall came up and Dean Babula informed the group that Provost Ochoa has recently charged him, along with Floyd Ross, Jeff Langley and Christopher Dinno, to plan for renovation. The Space Committee will want to hear soon what rooms or availability will be freed-up in Ives as Green Center instructional space opens in Fall '08

Agenda Item II was deferred until next meeting as III Scheduling issues are of immediate concern. Katie introduced the suggestion advanced by IT that Academic Affairs take over the scheduling of computer labs. After a brief discussion of how that might work and what the benefits or drawbacks might be it was agreed that this is another matter that should be scheduled before the Academic Council.

At 4:55 the meeting adjourned for a tour of the new nursing lab facilities that were constructed in Nichols Hall over the summer.

Notes prepared by Katie Pierce