

February 12, 2008

To: **Campus Planning Committee:**

Dr. Eduardo Ochoa, Chief Academic Officer  
Mr. Laurence Furukawa-Schlereth, Chief Financial Officer  
Mr. Dan Condron, Vice President, University Affairs  
Dr. Nate Johnson, Senior Director for Public Safety, Chief of Police  
Mr. Christopher Dinno, Senior Director of Capital Planning, Design and Construction  
Mr. Rick Ludmerer, Senior Director for Risk Management  
Ms. Stephanie Giordano, Principal University Planner, Chancellor's Office (*absent*)  
Mr. Bill Fusco, Director of Athletics (*absent*)  
Mr. Matthew Lopez-Phillips, Interim Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management (*absent*)  
Dr. Tim Wandling, Chair, Academic Senate (*absent*)  
Dr. Laura Watt, Faculty Representative (*absent*)  
Dr. Scott Miller, Chair-elect, Academic Senate  
Mr. Marcus Zeimer, Faculty Representative  
Ms. Elizabeth Chelini, Staff Representative  
Mr. Tyson Hill, Management Trainee-Police and Parking Services (*absent*)  
Ms. Carol Ingerman, Management Trainee-CPDC Campus Planner  
Ms. Whitney Diver, President, ASI  
Ms. Heather Hansen, Student Representative  
Mr. Steve Kwok, Campus Consulting Architect (*absent*)  
Mr. Eric Carlson, Community Member  
Mr. Ryan Hammes, Guest Presenter for Recreation Center  
Ms. Yvonne Burbank, Guest Presenter for Athletics Department

From: Ruben Armiñana,  
President

Subject: Campus Planning Committee Meeting  
Minutes from the February 4, 2008, 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. meeting,  
Sue Jameson Room

### **Recreation Center Low Ropes Course**

Ryan Hammes, Outdoor Recreation and Sports Club Coordinator, distributed and presented a packet to the committee with information on a proposed Low Ropes Course. Hammes informed the committee that the project is being funded through an Instructionally Related Activity grant.

An informational packet including site plan and similar concept photos of the proposed course was presented. The proposed project site is located south side of the campus, north of Recreation Center Building and south of Darwin Hall Building, on the existing open lawn area adjacent to the Recreation Center. The concept packet presented did not provide sufficient detailed information

on layout or the actual structures that the course will consist of, including health, safety, accessibility, signage and lighting issues.

Christopher Dinno, Senior Director for Capital Planning, Design and Construction stated that the proposed course structures and seismic requirements would need to be reviewed by him to ensure compliance with California Building Code Regulations and ADA Accessibility. Hammes is to address these concerns with both Dinno and Disability Services for Students (DSS) to coordinate efforts to ensure that regulations will be met.

Dinno stated concern over the structural “guy wires” supports for safety. The “guy wires” will be running throughout the course and will need to be flagged from a life safety standpoint. Hammes is to request information from the vendor on the how they will be supported. Hammes will need to provide Dinno with information from the vendor on the support structures for the “guy wires” to review for safety and seismic purposes. Additionally, Hammes is to work with Nate Johnson, Senior Director for Police Services and Chief of Police and Richard Ludmerer, Senior Director for Risk Management on flagging of the structures to meet both safety concerns and to reduce the risk of liability.

Dinno also expressed concerns about maintenance required for the structure. Since it will be exposed to the elements and will be used by participants, details of how the structure will be maintained for safety and seismic purposes will have to be researched and clarified for CPC members. Hammes is to provide detailed information on the type and frequency of maintenance required for the structure. Dinno also requested information on who will assume the budget responsibility for this structure since it will require on-going maintenance. Hammes is to provide Dinno with information on structural maintenance for safety and seismic purposes. Hammes is also to research and clarify who will be assigned responsibility for maintenance of the structure.

Dinno also stated a concern for the lawn area maintenance; rubberized ground cover should be considered as dirt paths and dead spots in the lawn will develop from course participants. The structure will inhibit Landscaping and Grounds from mowing the area and re-planting and re-seeding of the sections is not feasible, irrigation timers will have to be coordinated with the Landscaping and Grounds to avoid muddy spots throughout the course that will impose a potential hazard. Hammes will need to coordinate with Landscaping and Grounds.

Elizabeth Chelini, Office Coordinator for Student Housing requested information on how the course would be secured from visitors and residents on campus. Hammes responded that the structure would be fenced in using a similar fence design as currently in place on the north side of the Recreation Center. Access to the area would be from the Recreation Center Building. Dinno stated that the fence would be partially hidden from the main walkway to the east by the current landscaping plantings however, similar additional plantings would need to be considered to fully cover the fence. Hammes will need to work with Landscaping and Grounds to determine the location and quantity of additional plantings necessary to cover the fence.

Richard Ludmerer, Senior Director for Risk Management stated that the course would have to have warning signage placed to reduce risk of liability. Hammes will need to coordinate with Ludmerer to develop signage language. Design graphics and sign location placement will have to be coordinated with Christopher Dinno and approved by the Campus Planning Committee.

Nate Johnson, Senior Director for Police Services and Chief of Police stated that lighting for the structure from a safety standpoint will need to be coordinated with his office. Hammes will need to coordinate with Johnson to determine lighting safety requirements and placement. Hammes will also need to work with Christopher Dinno on the lighting design.

The concept rendering did not provide adequate detailed information on the course layout or the structures that will be placed. Committee members requested detailed information including visuals on the actual structures and their location within the proposed site area. CPC also requested details on the relationship of the course to surrounding buildings and areas. Hammes is to work with the vendor, other CSU's that have low ropes courses, and with Dinno to develop a concept rendering(s) that depicts the actual course layout within the site area and design of the structures.

President Armiñana recommended to the committee that the Low Ropes Course be granted temporary approval for the concept and site location only and that detailed additional information regarding health safety, accessibility, maintenance, signage, lighting and a detailed rendering(s) is needed before final approval is granted.

Action Item-Committee unanimously granted temporary approval for concept and site location only.

### **Campus Notice of Entry Signage Design**

Christopher Dinno and Nate Johnson presented to committee members a concept rendering for the sign surround at the four entry points to campus. Committee members requested that the graphics, sign locations and sign surrounds be researched further before approval is granted.

Action Item-Deferred until detailed sign graphics, location and surround is received by committee.

### **Placement Temporary Art Sculpture**

Christopher Dinno presented to the committee photos of a 107 linear feet grapevines and cable sculpture depicting a "Human Spine" created by Jann Nunn, Associate Professor at Sonoma State University's Art Department. The Art Committee has reviewed the temporary sculpture as proposed by Jann Nunn in accordance with the campus policy (exterior sculpture) and has approved the acceptance of the temporary artwork display until June 30, 2008. Landscaping and Grounds has reviewed the proposed site location which is on the north side of Stevenson Hall, lawn area. Dinno stated that there would be no interference with grounds maintenance and that commencement activities would not be interrupted due to the placement of this temporary sculpture. Richard Ludmerer stated that warning signage would have to be posted to reduce risk of liability. Scott Miller, Chair-elect, Academic Senate requested that there also be signs posted on each side of the sculpture describing the piece to educate the campus community.

Action Item-The committee unanimously approved the placement of the temporary sculpture including signage until June 30, 2008.

## **Placement of Permanent Art**

Christopher Dinno presented to the committee a photo of a piece of artwork, “Music Note Bench” proposed as a gift from Jean Schulz. The Art Committee has reviewed the art piece in accordance with the campus policy (exterior sculpture) and is recommending acceptance by the committee. The permanent place on site will be outside of Schroeder’s Recital Hall at the Green Music Center site when construction is completed with the exact location to be determined at a later date. The artwork will be stored under the care of Professor Michael Schwager on campus until permanent installation.

Action Item-The committee unanimously approved storage and installation of artwork.

## **Athletic Storage Structure**

Yvonne Burbank, Assistant Director of Athletics presented two concept plans for a proposed storage structure for water polo equipment. The site location is on the north side of the pool deck, adjacent to Parking Lot G. The concept plans did not provide sufficient detailed information including actual design of structure, safety, and security concerns.

Burbank presented two design options that the Athletics Department was considering; one 10 by 20 foot structure that could have a dividing wall with adequate ventilation for both the wet and dry equipment or two 10 by 10 foot structures. The committee preferred one 10 by 20 structure with a dividing wall. Burbank is to obtain a graphic from the vendor that depicts the actual structure that will include the dividing wall depicting the style, height, width and rendering design for the Campus Planning Committee to review.

Burbank stated that the structure would sit flush against the chain link fence and plastic slats would be installed in the fence similar to the south side of the pool deck to minimize the visual impact of the structure. Nate Johnson stated a concern that the structure could impair the vision of Police Officers. Christopher Dinno responded that due to the location of an electrical junction box, pool chemical storage access, and other facilities related maintenance areas, this location was best suited for the structure including the width of the pool deck on the south side. Additionally, this location provides the least amount of visual nuisance. Dinno expressed concern that the structure cannot exceed fence height which would hinder the vision of Police Officers and create a visual nuisance. Burbank is to coordinate and work with Johnson and Dinno on the exact placement of the structure for safety purposes and to coordinate with Dinno on the structure design and height requirements.

The committee was not able to grant any approval on this item until the CPC is provided detailed information on the location, safety and rendering design of the structure.

Action Item-Deferred until the additional detailed structure design and location are received by the committee.