

CLUC Minutes 4-19-10

Attendees: Mark Kormondy, Jennifer Gerend, Robyn Herring, Paul Smith, Maryam Jacobs, Rich Davis, Cameron Hostetter, Sarah Pedersen, Jack Longino

Recorder: Emily Sladek

Guests: Krishna, Louise Frank, Mathew Autry, Serell for Jill Cooper, Scott Morgan, Genevieve Becker, Lillian Cantwell, Abi Marshall

Introductions and Approval of Minutes

Introductions are completed. Minutes are approved as is.

Japanese Garden Gate (Cameron Hostetter)

- Cameron Hostetter shows photos to clarify the site location. He and his project team request to construct a few benches near the gate. They would also like to plant some native plants near the gate and if possible get the snag removed that may fall on gate. The plants that are presently in that location would be transplanted, possibly to where ivy is being pulled on campus. The group is asked to contact Abi Marshall to coordinate this transplanting.
- Jack Longino asks for the timeline and plan for the new organic farm trail. Paul is not sure what will happen with the timing of the new trail that will be created when the water line is placed for the organic farm complex and if the existing trail will remain. Cameron talked to Paul about the possible closure of the present farm trail. If the trail is reconstructed, the gate could also be moved.
- Paul is concerned that the concrete will be poured for the benches and then the benches not be erected. He doesn't want a slab of concrete laid until the benches will be definitely installed.
- The group is working with Frederica Bowcutt to select native, shade loving plants, and there is a list of possible species on the application. Whether or not benches are approved, plants will need to be removed regardless.
- Cameron will ask Daryl Morgan to make a commitment to getting the benches done in a timely manner. Benches will be wood and will be stained according to how the gate is finished. What happens if the site is graffiti painted? Cameron will look into possible paint colors that would match the aesthetic and cover the tagging.
- Mark Kormondy will look at falling the snag and leaving it for habitat.
- The CLUC approves the landscape phase of the project. Before work on the benches commences, the CLUC needs to know when they will be done. Any coating and staining materials need to be approved by Robyn Herring. Paul will make a recommendation to the FAD Vice President. Once we receive a letter from the Vice President approving the project work can begin.

Machiy II Signage (Matthew Autry)

- This project is connected to the Japanese Garden Gate. This project is about installing signage for the gate. The proposed location for signage is at the Organic Farm trailhead or on the trail approaching the gate. Paul Smith prefers putting sign on the

trail and not at trailhead. The main sign would be about 20”x 40.” The content would include names of who contributed to the building and materials of the gate; it would also include the English translation of the poetry carved into the gate.

- The project is also considering supplying a little gate icon that can be added to the campus maps. Bob Worley would need to be consulted about adding the icon.
- The group will need to meet with Mark Kormondy, Aho’i Mench and Bob Worley to discuss the location and appropriate size of sign. Costs for the sign will be covered by the academic class.
- The project is approved on the condition that Aho’i Mench, Bob Worley and Mark Kormondy are consulted. The project needs to be installed before graduation and definitely finished by the end of summer. Paul Smith will contact the FAD Vice President about the sign.

Green Moss Roof (Jill Cooper, presented by Serell)

- Jill Cooper is unable to attend the meeting; another student is presenting the proposal instead. Jill Cooper is growing moss in test frames in order to study its sustainable heating and cooling capacities if grown on roof tops. The CLUC asks how the study will be documented. Serell surmises results will be published on the Sustainable Prisons Blog. This is part of the Sustainable Prisons Project. Jill needs a location on campus to grow moss possibly through the summer before the study is moved to a correctional institution.
- Possible locations on campus are: Lab I Roof. Locations need to have access to water or a bucket will need to be carried to the location. A few members are concerned that placing the frames on certain areas of the Lab roofs will soften the roof membranes. The CLUC proposes closing the stairway gate between Lab I and II roof, so the concrete area can be used. Sunlight should still land on this section. A member of the CLUC asks if the moss would impact people who work in building? Robyn Herring is not concerned about any health problems associated with growing moss on roof tops.
- Serell will email Jill Cooper to come and talk to Rich Davis or Robyn Herring about where to locate the frames on Lab I and II and figure how to lock the space. Rich Davis will check with Mike Kinley and Jerry Jelsing for how to lock the gate.
- CLUC approves the alternate area till the end of the summer 2010.

Red Square Walkways & Ramps (Paul Smith)

- Facilities Services would like to construct two ADA walkways to make Red Square more accessible. Paul Smith describes the proposed locations: One from the Bus Loop to Lab I; the second from Red Square to the Lecture Halls. The paths will require removal of a mature Douglas fir tree and the installation of bulkheads to protect some other trees.
- The paths will need to be created with ADA accessible materials; we are unsure if pervious concrete meets these standards and the College will use them if they do.
- Rich Davis thinks the area from Bus Loop is dark at night and asks for walkway bollard lighting and conduit to be installed. He would also like the architect to assess if more electricity needs to be brought to that area.
- Narrow walkways will mean that the Grounds crew has to hand shovel snow and ice. Mark Kormondy requests that the paths be widened to 6ft so that a tractor could plow

them. The project is approved provided they address the lighting and widening issue, and Paul Smith will send a recommendation to the FAD Vice President.

Housing Gardens (Lillian Cantwell)

- Paul Smith reads Mark Lacina's email. Lillian Cantwell describes the location of the proposed community gardens. Lillian has done a walk through with both Mark Lacina and Mark Kormondy. She is looking for space that is near sidewalks and is working with the student group Barrier Breakers, so the gardens will be ADA accessible. The gardens would be assigned to students on an individual basis. Residents of the Sustainability House would coordinate the gardens and maintain them. RAD, especially RAD Sustainability Coordinator, has also said they would maintain gardens over the summer and the food would go to the Gleaners food bank. The Sustainability House would also outreach to students and hold workshops to get students involved and signed up.
- Lillian is working with local organizations to get wood and materials to build the garden beds. She hopes to have the materials by the end of April, so the beds can be constructed in May.
- Rich Davis suggests starting with one location and then building more according to student interest and how much workload is required of RAD. Lillian and Abi decide that location "B" would be the preferred location.
- Robyn Herring asks if there will be training provided, so no pesticides are used. Rich Davis asks how water would be delivered to the beds. Abi Marshall said RAD is planning to install drip irrigation. Mark Kormondy will check with Mark Lacina on how water will be installed to prevent backflow and incorrect metering. The CLUC asks if the material used to construct the beds will be pressure treated and comments that cedar is good at preventing rot. Lillian doesn't know what materials will be gathered.
- The CLUC approves location "B" for the gardens. If the project is successful and RAD agrees that more locations be added, please notify the CLUC of site where the project will expand. There is no need to return to the CLUC for approval. A recommendation will be sent to the FAD Vice President.

Preliminary Discussions of Tacoma (Paul Smith)

- The College is interested in purchasing a permanent site in Tacoma. The College is approaching the Higher Education Coordinating Board to buy land and building space. The current location has been appraised at \$7 million; the owner is asking for \$24 million. Maryam Jacobs asks if another location is being considered. The Tacoma Campus is clear that they want to stay at their present location in the Hilltop neighborhood.
- Sarah Pedersen is working to provide research to the CLUC at its May meeting, as the 10-year capital plan will be presented to the Board of Trustees in June. The Tacoma Campus needs to be added into the College's Master Plan.

Organic Farm Master Plan (Paul Smith)

- Paul hands out the Organic Farm Master plan to everyone. There are four different plans and concepts. The CLUC needs to review each plan and ask questions about

them, so in the May CLUC meeting we can discuss and decided on one or a few to publicize to the College community. Major issues to keep in mind:

1. The need to expand the amount of arable land for farming.
 2. The Kiefer farm location is near a wetland and this may make it difficult to convert it into arable land or construct buildings on the property.
 3. The College is researching changing the property description and zoning; the process will probably take two years.
- The plan that is chosen will determine how future decisions are made regarding the organic farm. If you have questions, email Paul.

Other Items

Childcare Center Garden:

- Genevieve Becker has a few questions. The garden will be approximately 35 feet in diameter. Fencing will be installed at the end of April. Genevieve talked to Mark Kormondy about pruning the dead sycamore tree to decrease its heaviness and about growing a kiwi on the remaining snag, which means the kiwi wouldn't have to be continually pruned back.
- She request that two guide wires be removed. The wires are deeply buried. Removing the wires is important to making the garden more useable to kids and will also help the tree fall away from people as it decays. Mark Kormondy suggests Genevieve dig down to expose the buckles and wire, so the Grounds crew can pull the stakes out with the tractor. Mark Kormondy will work with Genevieve to remove the stakes, and the next time a lift or tree climber is on campus he will have them cut the dead sycamore to a better size.

The next CLUC Meeting will be Monday, May 17 from 3-5pm in the Facilities Conference Room.