

COMMITTEE ON CAMPUS LIFE AND FACILITIES
MINUTES MEETING #3
Year 2009/10

DATE: December 10, 2009
Meeting Date: December 2, 2009
In Attendance: Janette Tilley (Chair), Wesley Pitts, Teresita Levy, Raymond “Ray” Flook, Claudia Amooma, Abisola Olabode, Kelly Calderon, Michaelle Garlon, Rene Rotolo, Administrative Representative, Dennis Kim, CASA CFO ex Officio
Not Present: Thomas Conroy, Patricia Kolb, Christopher Calderon

There was a discussion about Food Service. The response was generally everyone is pleased with the food and selections, but portions are smaller and the prices are higher. The vendor is charging for plates.

Ray reported that the campus food service committee was planning to issue a new food survey at the start of the spring semester that was less generic and more specific to the current vendor, food choices, etc. The committee also planned to meet once the results of the survey were in to assess how the vendor is doing and determine what is working, what needs improvement, etc. Some comments from members at this meeting were:

- Provide more healthier breakfast options
- Serve breakfast at lunch options
- And the rice is too dry

Rene Rotolo presented a report updating the status of Student Housing and advised that a current study recommends building a 300-348 bed unit of mostly semi-suites consisting of two bedrooms with two beds in each sharing one bath and no common space or kitchen and some full-suites which consists of two bedrooms with two beds in each sharing one bathroom and a common living space in the unit. We discussed the need for a more robust foodservice operation to provide meals if the units do not have kitchens. The discussion also considered no kitchen vs a kitchen per floor vs a kitchen in each unit. It was agreed that the options should be revisited before proceeding.

There was also a presentation on the status of the Swing Space Study. The committee was advised that swing space was needed to move programs in T-3 and Gillet that must be relocated to accommodate the Phase II Science Facility. T-3 is scheduled to be demolished and the construction of Phase II connects into the northwest section of Gillet Hall. In the early phase of the analysis it was determined that Lehman’s 2008 enrollments had far exceeded the enrollment projections associated with the 2002 Master Plan. New projections were developed and we added a Campus –wide space study to the Swing Space Study. The study, which is still in draft form and not published, determined that Lehman has seen 42% enrollment growth between 2001 and 2008 and expects a 21% enrollment growth to the year 2016, which results in a space deficit. The Science Facility Phase I & II helps to reduce that deficit, but does not solve the deficit. The consultant identified and recommended strategies to address the projected space deficit which include:

- Build a larger phase II science facility by erecting a tower at the northern end of the building adding 16,600 net assignable square feet of space to the campus.
- Build an addition to Davis Hall providing 45,600 net assignable square feet of space and
- Locate and secure off campus space to relocate some programs.

We expect the final report and recommendations to be issued and made public in the next few months.

NOTE: The spring semester starts on Thursday, January 28, 2010. The first Senate meeting is Wednesday, February 3, 2010. We can either meet on Wednesday, January 27, 2010 at 4:00 pm (before the first senate meeting & before the start of classes) or on Wednesday, February 10, 2010 at 4:00 pm. Please respond a.s.a.p. with the preferred meeting date.

The next meeting of the committee will be held in Shuster Hall room 325, on a date to be determined by the committee to be confirmed. Please confirm attendance via reply to the e-mail or by calling Merrily Cohen, Administrative Assistant @ extension 8226.

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