

Master Plan Review Team Meeting Notes
Tuesday, January 13, 2004
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Green Hall Large Conference Room

Attendance: Ann Morrissey, Paul DePace, Jerry Sidio, Chip Yensan, Annie Newman, Judith Swift, Bob Drapeau, Vern Wyman, Jeff Callahan, Sandy Taylor, Jodi Hawkins

Campus Way Finding Update and Recommendations

Jerry Sidio and Annie Newman gave an update on the Way finding Signage Program. Handouts of kiosk and destination signage samples were provided to the committee for review. After discussion of the handouts, the following were the recommendations:

Recommendations:

- **Maintain current program of signage, plus adding the drive up and walk up pieces.**
- **Hire a cartographer** to develop a campus map and hire a designer to design the kiosk. Facilities Services said they would work on coming up with a signage policy. The next step would be to go to the asset protection committee to get money for the cartographer and designer (funding pieces). The design piece could start in '05. Whatever aspect we do on the Kingston campus, we would do on the Bay Campus.
- The signage needs to be looked at globally including tree markers, banners on Upper College Road, directional signs, and standard request signs.
- **Facilities Services will develop a draft signage policy.**
- **Way finding committee will need to submit estimates/costs to the Asset Protection Committee who makes decisions in mid spring.**

North Campus Plan:

Paul DePace gave an update on the North Campus Plan. He indicated that the MPRT has not formally accepted the North District Plan. The mapping of the plan has been accepted, but the text has not been approved by the MPRT and has not gone to the President or the Board of Governors. He indicated that McDonough still owes us a finalized plan. There was discussion as to what can we require of McDonough, and at what point and time do we want to freeze the plan? How and when we bid out buildings to ensure alignment and consideration of the global view of the landscape and plan and each building's interface is critical to the future development of the campus in accordance with the Master Plan. Capital Projects and Facilities planning has a critical role/responsibility in this.

Next step: The MPRT will review the North Campus plan summary and give any additional comments in writing to Paul DePace. Paul will bring the document back to the next meeting so that it can be reviewed by the MPRT and then we would need to recommend its approval and submit the plan to the President.

Wind Turbine project

A student group came and gave a brief presentation on a wind turbine project. The group provided handouts to the MPRT about the project. The group needs to convince the Bay Campus that this project would be a good place for the wind turbine.

Discussion points:

- Need to work with URI to look at design, siting and come up with a finance plan.
- Concern was raised about the quality of the generated energy and the surplus and how it would be used.
- Need to understand what the electrical loads are.
- How would this proposal fit in with the Master Plan?
- Who would provide the maintenance?

Students will follow up and get back to the MPRT when they have made some more progress.

Next Steps:

- MPRT should support this concept in principle given that we're satisfied with questions that might be raised.
- The students will need to convene a meeting at the Bay Campus.
- Have a faculty member at the Bay campus be part of the team.
- **Jeff Callahan will work with the group, but they will also work with a faculty member**
- Aesthetic issue (significant issue)

Next agenda:

North Campus plan
Visitor Center proposed relocation
Campus Way Finding Update

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.