

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT BOULDER

BOULDER CAMPUS PLANNING COMMISSION

Minutes of the Meeting of February 12, 1998

The Boulder Campus Planning Commission met on Thursday, February 12, 1998, in the Chancellor's Conference Room, Regent 302.

Members present were: Jim Baily, Al Bartlett, John Bruning, Anne Costain, Noel Cummings, Adrian Del Caro, Bill Deno, Dennis Haney, Steve Jones, Wolf Lutton, Susan Thorning, and Secretary William Arndt.

Members absent were: Shaun Dalrymple, Ben Goldmanis, Stephen Lester, Michael Lightner, Dale Oesterle, Paul Saporito, and John Satory.

Guests present were: Lois Dahnke, Academic Scheduling; Rob Kohrman, Central Administration; Rudy Landin, Wardenburg Health Center; Bobby Schnabel, ATLAS; Peter Shostak, Wardenburg Health Center; and Phil Simpson, Facilities Planning.

1. **MINUTES** -- Jones thanked Haney for chairing the January meeting in Jones absence. It was moved by Bartlett, seconded by Haney, to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 8, 1988. Arndt noted one correction: In item 6, page 2, concerning residence halls renovation, it should indicate that ADA compliance is a concern, rather than "first priority." With this change, the minutes were unanimously approved.
2. **CHAIR'S REPORT** -- Jones reported that with the re-appointment of Dennis Haney for another four-year term, all BCPC memberships are up to date.

Jones reported that SCAG met the previous week. The College of Business received approval to proceed with a program plan for an addition and renovation, contingent upon a financial plan. Wardenburg also received permission to proceed with a third floor renovation program plan; their financial plan is largely in place.

The Design Review Board (DRB) met the previous Friday. A presentation was made of the conceptual plan for the Law School. The DRB indicated that it preferred the concept of a new building rather than extensive renovation, probably to be on the tennis courts or parking lot adjoining the Fleming Law Building and not in the Research Park.

The search for a new director of Facilities Management continues, as one of the finalists has been asked back for more interviews today. Jones reminded the BCPC that the Facilities Director will be a member of the BCPC.

Concerning the BCPC recommendation to the Chancellor that there be a joint study with the City of Boulder regarding transportation improvements near the UMC, Jones reported that he had received a letter from Vice Chancellor Tabolt indicating that the City did not wish to participate in such a study at this time. Tabolt asked that the concerns expressed by the BCPC be included in the UMC program planning now under way, and also included in the future Campus Master Plan.

Jones asked Baily to report on the Master Plan. Baily said that the reports of the Task Forces were due to the Chancellor on February 13. There will be a presentation by Task Force chairs and a reception on Monday, March 9. BCPC members will be invited. Thorning said that there was some confusion among her colleagues in the CU Foundation as to how new projects will be included into the Master Plan. Baily said that it's still early in the process of developing the Master Plan, he would be happy to speak to Foundation staff about this.

Jones said that he, Baily, and Vice Chancellor Tabolt had met with Beth Palmer, Chair of the City of Boulder Planning Board, and Susan Richstone, Planning Staff. Jones will recommend to the Chancellor that the chairs of the BCPC and the City Planning Board meet on a quarterly basis to discuss common concerns and share information.

3. **NOTICE OF INTENT TO DO PROGRAM PLANNING: TECHNOLOGY, ARTS, AND MEDIA CENTER** -- Deno introduced Bobby Schnabel, Director of the Alliance for Technology, Learning, and Society (ATLAS). Schnabel explained that the planning for a new facility is driven by the need to provide infrastructure for the overall use of technology to support the ATLAS program. The Technology, Arts, and Media Center (TAMC) will be a multi-disciplinary facility dedicated to education and instruction, rather than research. Film Studies would be the only full departmental unit accommodated in the facility. The inclusion of portions of Journalism and the Science Library is still under consideration. A facility of 40-60,000 square feet is proposed, with 60% of the funding to be requested from the State. Two major sites are under consideration: the Hunter site and the "Science Library" site between Mathematics and Benson Earth Sciences.

Thorning asked if Information Technology Services (ITS) would be part of this facility. Schnabel said the part of ITS previously known as Academic Media Services would. Costain said she was pleased that Film Studies would be included, but said plans should be made to house units displaced by the removal of Hunter. Sociology, for instance, uses space in Hunter. She also expressed concern about faculty offices housed in the TAMC on a rotating basis. Professors might not wish to move into a new facility without the understanding that there would be space for them to come back to in their departmental unit.

Lutton said that the College of Architecture and Planning could benefit from programs proposed in this project, and also called for the use of sustainable design in the planning process. Bartlett said he was uncomfortable with the use of the Science Library site for this project, as there is a great need for a new Science Library. Del

Caro said the removal of the Science Library and other functions from Norlin would be good.

Although the program plan may not be submitted for BCPC approval until May, the project will be included in this year's cycle for state funding requests.

4. **NOTICE OF INTENT TO DO PROGRAM PLANNING: WARDENBURG HEALTH CENTER** -- Simpson noted that the BCPC had reviewed a program plan for Wardenburg renovation and expansion two years ago, but that the current proposal is much reduced in scope. He introduced Peter Shostak, Director of Wardenburg, who explained that no increase in space is proposed. Rather, this project would "finish" work begun a few years ago in other parts of Wardenburg. He said that the third floor of the building is deficient, especially in contrast to the lower floors which have been renovated. Fire protection systems need to be extended, asbestos abatement needs to happen, and interior finishes need to be redone.

Haney asked if there will be a need for further expansion in the future. Shostak said that this project would accommodate the current program for at least the next ten years. Jones stressed that the program plan should contain good justification of services provided by the Center.

5. **CAMPUS LIGHTING MASTER PLAN** -- Bruning reported that due to recent incidents of assault and one homicide on campus, there have been requests to increase lighting levels for safety reasons. A consultant will be hired to prepare a campus-wide lighting master plan. Bruning and Deno have prepared a scope of work, addressing safety as well as other aspects, including technology, environmental concerns, and aesthetics. Bruning said the first phase, to be underway soon, is to improve lighting on the Boulder Creek Path.

Del Caro asked if there will be an opportunity for user input. Bruning said that a full survey of existing conditions will be done, and input will be solicited broadly. Haney asked if auxiliary units would be included. Bruning said yes, the intent is to provide standards and guidelines that can be used for all parts of the campus. Thorning said consideration should be given to "crimes against assets," i.e., vandalism and graffiti. She said that motion detectors can be used to turn on lights in dark areas when someone moves into them. Bartlett noted that some lights are left burning 24 hours, an apparent waste of energy; timers or photo-sensors should be used. Bartlett also urged that Roy Garstang, Professor of APAS and former member of the BCPC, be consulted in matters of light pollution. Deno confirmed that Professor Garstang will be involved. Cummings asked about procedures for reporting missing or burned out lights. Bruning said the reporting system needs to be improved and will be addressed in the study.

6. **HISTORIC RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (HRAC) REPORT** -- Deno asked the BCPC to endorse a recommendation made by the HRAC to update the Norlin Quadrangle Micro-Master Plan, which was written in 1991. At their last

meeting, the HRAC reviewed the document and agreed that changes and additions are in order. These changes include looking at the consequences of new mandates or outside forces, areas not included in the original plan, and topics which would enhance the effectiveness of the Plan. The HRAC felt that these revisions should be undertaken by an outside consultant, and is forwarding this recommendation to the BCPC. Cummings asked how much this might cost. Deno said about \$10,000. Jones said the Chancellor has acknowledged the need to update several micro-master plans as part of the Master Plan. Sensing general endorsement by the BCPC, Jones said he would pass along this request to the Chancellor.

Deno also reported that two projects -- the renovation of the Gates Woodruff Women's Studies Cottage and the elevator addition to the Armory Building -- have been nominated for Preservation Honor Awards by Historic Boulder, Inc.

Deno also noted that two students from the President's Leadership Class, Warren Wang and Elle McBeth, have joined the HRAC as student members.

7. **OTHER ITEMS** -- Lutton announced that the Environmental Center will hold an Environmental Summit in April. He invited BCPC members to participate as panelists and presenters. Thorning suggested that the recent project at the Mountain Research Station was good environmentally and might make an interesting presentation. Bruning noted that Facilities Management is creating a new position of Environmental Operations Supervisor, who will deal with solid waste and recycling. Bartlett suggested involving faculty members from Civil and Environmental Engineering in the Environmental Summit.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Minutes submitted by William Arndt, BCPC Secretary.