University Building Committee
Meeting Minutes
November 5, 2009
4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
325 Burruss Hall

Present: Michael Coleman - Chair, Jack Davis, Scott Hurst, Chris Wise, Dixon Hanna, Dennis Gehrt for Dr Grant, David Bingham, Jennie Reilly, Ki-Hong Ku, Sachi Nekkanti, Nathan Latka

Guests: John Bush (Upper Quad ADA) and Leigh Lally (Way Finding)

Absent: Jean Brickey, Scott Hurst, Sherwood Wilson, Lynn Eichhorn

The meeting was called to order by Mike Coleman. The minutes from the September 24, 2009 meeting were approved.

Update on the Upper Quad ADA Project:

John Bush representing the University Architects Office provided the committee with an overview of methodology used by the group that was formed to evaluate the Upper Quad area for ADA compliance and functionality. The primary focus of the group was on the outside of the facilities on key points such as adequate parking, curb cuts, and accessible routes.

Way Finding:

Leigh Lally representing Facilities Services University Planning, Design and Construction provided the committee a presentation on “Way Finding”. The presentation focused on what actually is Way Finding. Her presentation also focused on where we are today with Way Finding and its challenges: signage and directional capacity is limited. Additionally, Leigh discussed the previous work of developing a scope and selecting a firm and an associated design proposal to address this issue. Funding for this is being developed within VPAS and is expected to be advanced in the near future. Also presented was the work the Town of Blacksburg has done on this issue and the intent to coordinate the university’s effort.

New Business: The next meeting is scheduled on January 28, 2010.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned.