

Sterrett Center 230 Sterrett Drive Blacksburg, Virginia 24061

Campus Development Committee Meeting Minutes

DATE: Thursday, March 22nd, 2018

TIME: 10:30AM-11:30AM

LOCATION: Burruss 130

Present: J. Baker, R. Blythe, G. Breeden, T. Faulkner, H. Schnoedt, K. Smith, J. Soileau, L. Steinberg Absent: R. Sumichrast, R. Martin, S. Volkmar, B. Jones, C. Kiwus Guests: M. Dunn, J. Rosenberger

- 1. Welcome and Call to Order
 - Called to order at 10:33am
- 2. Membership Update
 - Proposed additions to committee received second reading at Commission on University Support
- 3. March Board of Visitors Meeting
 - Shared design approval and funding resolution agenda; will show presentation materials to committee in April
- 4. Stunning Entry Sequences
 - J. Rosenberger presented overview of landscape plan
 - Committee indicated a need to consider pedestrian entryways, as well as automotive
 - Desire to improve transition from North End Center garage to Moss Arts Center
 - Suggestion to use power plant and future managed green space to invite crossing in a safer, more easily comprehensible way
 - Proposal to differentiate lighting to indicate pathway
 - Desire to consolidate exterior signs, potentially lower height of vehicular signs
- **5.** Alumni Mall Tree Canopy Strategy
 - Desire to activate front entryway to Moss Arts as part of plan
 - Proposal of Diagonal in Barcelona as character inspiration for Alumni Mall

- Suggestion to extend trees farther towards Torgersen Bridge, while respecting view and spacing at crossings to avoid hiding crossing pedestrians from vehicles
- Desire to explore on-campus maturation area for transplantable trees
- Recommendation to assess endowment opportunities for trees

6. Western Perimeter Road

- Committee advised to include local businesses in conversations on new road; could alter traffic counts that drive retail revenues
- Interest in considering autonomous vehicles; desire to include VTTI in process
- Interest in central bike lane; separate bikes from pedestrians and automobiles
- Need to consider bike traffic lights; include intention in plan even if not built in original project
- Improve supply of bike showers and storage on campus; infrastructure likely to boost use

7. Master Plan Update

- Removed due to time constraints
- 8. Five Year Capital Project Timelines
 - Removed due to time constraints
- 9. Open Discussion
 - Removed due to time constraints