

Meeting Minutes
Campus Development Committee Meeting
October 22, 2015
325 Burruss - 10:30 am

I. Welcome and Introductions

Meeting was called to order at 10:33am

Present: Jason Soileau (chair), Ted Faulkner, Jennifer Hundley, Heinrich Schnoedt, Richard Rodrigues, Melissa Elliott

Absent: Chris Kiwus, Steve Mouras, Jack Davis, Elizabeth Spiller, Brett Jones, Ken Smith, Samer El-Kadi, Brandon Hurt

Guest: Michelle Ramsey

II. Committee Charge – reviewed charge

III. Construction Update

Jason Soileau presented the committee with information on the construction updates. The following projects were addressed:

- A. Projects In Construction
- Upper Quad
 - New Classroom Building – Discussion about the progress of Upper Quad and Classroom Building was begun, point made about staggering comparison in the visual progress between buildings - especially considering the construction time schedule.
 - 460 Interchange – Ted Faulkner raised the question about the delivery of food products being affected by the construction of the roundabout at Duck Pond Drive. Jason Soileau reassured that the vehicular traffic impact would be minimal and well communicated, and is being managed by VDOT.
 - Cheatham Quad – Ted Faulkner gave feedback on the improvement of the space, described it as vibrant and 20-25 students occupying the space, not just walking through. Richard Rodrigues asked if the green fenced in area closer to the Cheatham/Latham entrance was related to the Cheatham Quad, and what it was about. Jason Soileau stated it was not related and was unable to confirm its purpose, and responded he would find out.
 - Drillfield Drive Improvements

IV. Pending Master Plan Updates

- A. Campus Master Plan
- B. Parking and Transportation Master Plan – Jason Soileau re-shared the MOVE app and website with the group and informed the members of a town hall style meeting that the Parking and Transportation Master Plan will be conducting on: Monday October 26th from 4-6pm in the Brush Mountain Room in Squires. The Website and App can be accessed at: <http://www.vt-ptmp.com>.**
- C. Northwest Community Introduction – Jason Soileau gave a presentation on the Northwest Community. The presentation prompted several questions, including whether the Life Sciences District was included in the plans of 10 minutes walking distance and accessibility (Richard Rodrigues) and where did the 10 minute walking distance come from? (Ted Faulkner) While the 10

minute walking length is the average length of time people are willing to walk. Regarding the Business College's desire for a living learning community - Heinrich Schnoedt wondered whether the entire building college would move, therefore freeing Pamplin up. Continuing on, he suggested the space be rearranged for the current GBJ facilities be relocated to Pamplin, and CAUS to acquire GBJ for its landscape program, creating an arts quad around Burchard. Jason Soileau stated nothing had been discussed at this point, as project is still in conceptual stage. While looking at conceptual graphics, Ted Faulkner suggested there be consideration of the loading dock access to the proposed campus commons.

V. Drillfield Paths

- A. Presentation – A brief presentation taken from the Board of Visitors presentation in November. This presentation covered the polling results conducted in September and progress of the research proposals received. Discussion began with the two different paths types (major and minor) and Jennifer Hundley pursued whether these materials would be different on major paths vs minors paths. Jason Soileau presented the idea that although they do not have to be different, it is something being considered. Ted Faulkner asked about the pavers, stating they are aesthetically matching to the campus, but will they accommodate those with varying needs – too bumpy? Jason Soileau responded they are slightly bumpy but are ADA compliant/approved. Richard Rodrigues noted that some materials are wearing poorly, and wondered if people will have varying views come spring time polling. Jason Soileau noted one of the intentions of the study is to see what materials perform poorly – better to know now, rather than after a significant investment. Discussion moved on further to the research proposals and Jennifer Hundley received clarification that none of the research materials will be implemented during the polling periods of the current materials on the Drillfield paths. Ted Faulkner brought up the trailheads presented in another presentation of the Drillfield Master Plan, and wondered if the path materials selected for the Drillfield paths will be the same as the trailhead area. Jason Soileau said they may be but not necessarily. He does want materials to complement each other - whatever is chosen.

VI. University Space Committee Introduction

- A quick presentation of the University Space Committee and how it functions.

VII. Future Meetings

- A. Tours – Suggested Tours included:
- New Football Practice Facility – possibly a tour at January Meeting instead of meeting in Burruss. More information to follow.
- B. Agenda Topics – none were mentioned

VIII. General Discussion – None.

IX. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 11:32 am