Committee on Space, Facilities, and Physical Plant
Minutes
Monday, April 9, 2018
South Hall Conference Room

Present (members): Robin Auchincloss, Laura Broughton, Shelley Liu, Tamar Rothenberg, David Taylor, Wali Ullah
Present (guests): Octavio Gomez

I. Meeting Called to Order at 3:41 PM
II. Approved Agenda for 4/9/18 meeting by unanimous hand vote
III. Approved amended Minutes of 1/31/18 by unanimous hand vote
IV. Approved amended Minutes of 3/5/18 by unanimous hand vote
V. New plantings near Language Hall of roses will replace the roses lost during utility and quad renovations.
VI. David Taylor spoke to the Director of BCC Public Safety, James Verdicchio, about providing advance notification of fire drills so that faculty could plan exams around them.
VII. As of 4/9/18, there are 72 total full and part-time Peace Officers and Campus Security Assistants at BCC:
   a. The 48 Peace Officers and supervisors can make arrests, issue summons, etc. 7 of these Peace Officers have the certification and ability to carry guns.
   b. The 19 full-time and 5 part-time Campus Security Assistants do not have Peace Officer status and cannot make arrests and their range is limited to campus.
   c. The university only funds us for 59 positions; the remaining 13 positions are funded through the BCC budget.
VIII. Facilities Update (Octavio Gomez)
   a. See attachment
   b. Capital Projects in Construction
      i. Alumni Gym Pool have received its first department of Health visit. They expect certification as early as June or July, with a ribbon-cutting for early Fall semester.
      ii. Havemeyer Lab Roof Replacement is progressing well. The project is expected to be done in June or July. Classrooms in the building below the roof are already in use.
      iii. New Hall Roof Replacement and parapet work is progressing according to plan. All of the material has been delivered. Weather is delaying installation. Completion is expected in July. Classrooms in the building below are already in use.
      iv. Utility Upgrade Phase IV will include construction of the new service building on 180th street. They have almost completed drainage work prior starting the actual building. February 2019 is expected completion. The building will include the Con Ed equipment.

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v. The Fire Alarm project encompasses ME, NH, CPH, GML. Meister has been completed. New Hall is now being worked on. CPH work started 4/9/18 with an expected completion in June or July. The alarms are very loud, but they do meet code.

vi. The Dominican Memorial is expected to be completed mid to late-August. The monument, seating, and new paving will be put in front of Nichols Hall. The monument is dedicated to WWII veterans of Dominican descent.

vii. Alumni Gym Bridge – the contractor has been vetted and approved. They are waiting for site access and site safety plans from the contractor prior to the start of construction. Completion date should be sometime late Fall.

viii. RBSC Roof and Exterior Masonry – the roof will be completely replaced and the façade will be repaired. They plan to start in June or July 2018 and the construction project will last 14 to 16 months.

c. Capital Projects in Design
i. Bronx Express, which will bring bursar, financial aid, registrar, and admissions into the old library space in the basement of Meister. The architects have completed the planning phase and the Feasibility Study is completed. 30% design will start early this summer.

ii. Utility Upgrade Phase V will complete the electrical upgrade for all main electrical panels on campus. A later phase will be necessary to upgrade the electrical systems on the floors in buildings.

iii. 2020 involves the Patterson Garage space, handicapped accessibility in Butler, the 2nd floor science lab in Meister, and the new fiber line into Snow Hall.

iv. New dome roof for GML, both the dome and the flat roof, just received 90% completion. It will go out for bid, potentially to start construction in Spring 2019.

IX. BCC & CUNY Policies: Master Planning Process: Robin Auchincloss

a. There was a meeting last week with the Director of Planning, the assistant director and, the new campus planner from CUNY at FPCM to initiate discussion of the first step in the process for preparing a Master Plan. To start this planning process, we need approved enrollment projections for the next 10 years, confirmed enrollment numbers from the previous 5 years, and input from the Academic Master Plan committee. (Approval of enrollment numbers is done by the CUNY Vice-Chancellor.) The planning department also provided a list of items that BCC must get together to give to a consultant. VP Ellis’ staff will try to do some of this in-house. CUNY does not have a set timeline for this process. Once the enrollment projections are approved, it will take 3 to 6 months to find an outside consultant that would develop options through extensive interactions with the College community for the College to review. So, the Master Planning Process will probably not get underway until next Fall.

X. Current Projects: Greenhouse Update
Bronx Community College/ CUNY

a. Robin’s College Assistant, Jeffrey Gyemibi, created a drawing and a 3D rendering, which would need to be included in any grant proposal. The greenhouse repair/reconstruction should be addressed as part of the Master Planning Process.

XI. Future meeting dates
a. The April 25, 2018 date for a meeting has been made a tentative date.
b. L. Broughton will contact committee in August to set first Fall semester meeting date.
c. Phase V Utility Upgrade will have dramatic impacts next semester, so we should address this during the fall semester meetings.

XII. Discussion of Spring 2018 Report to Senate
a. The committee modified the Report to Senate.

XIII. DASNY (Dormitory Authority of the State of New York) owns the Hall of Fame; NYU has formally ceded all rights to the naming process.
a. The two confederate busts, Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson, were removed from the Hall of Fame. They are in storage in an undisclosed, secure location on campus. They are available for study through the Library and Cynthia Tobar, the Archivist.

XIV. Meeting Adjourned 4:58 PM

Respectfully submitted,

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