Minutes  
Capital Planning and Budget Committee  
Thursday, February 5, 2015

The meeting of the Capital Planning and Budget Committee was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Committee Chair Regent Edmund Manydeeds in Varsity Hall I of Union South on the UW-Madison campus. Regents Tony Evers, Anicka Purath, José Vasquez, David Walsh, and Gerald Whitburn were in attendance. Regents José Delgado and Janice Mueller were absent.

I.3.a. Approval of the Minutes of the December 4, 2014, meeting of the Capital Planning and Budget Committee

After receipt of a motion and second, the minutes of the December 4, 2014, meeting of the Capital Planning and Budget Committee were approved as presented.

I.3.b. UW-Madison Presentation: 2005 Campus Master Plan and 2015 Update Process

The committee heard a UW-Madison presentation, which was given by Associate Vice Chancellor of Facilities Planning and Management Bill Elvey, regarding the 2005 Campus Master Plan that included goals of improving sustainability; community, academic and research connections; student life; buildings and design guidelines; open space; transportation and utilities. Mr. Elvey then described the scope of the 2015 master plan update that will confirm the planning principles, goals, and recommendations of the 2005 plan; revise the utility and transportation master plans; and develop a comprehensive landscape master plan and a storm water management plan.

Regent Whitburn asked for an update of the Chemistry building project and Associate Vice President Alex Roe explained that the Division of Facilities Development (DFD) has hired a design consultant to do a pre-analysis that will determine the project’s phasing and schedule, then the next step will be to begin design of the facility.

Next, Regent Whitburn asked for a description of the Kohl Center infrastructure improvements that are requested in agenda item I.3.d. Mr. Elvey explained that cabling and power infrastructure will be installed to support the full wireless network and video screen deployment throughout the fan areas of the Kohl Center. He added that this is the second phase of a project begun at Camp Randall Stadium that was originally approved last fall to upgrade wireless connectivity and generally improve fan experience.

Regent Whitburn inquired about the status of the disposition of properties such as the heating plant, to which Mr. Elvey answered that during the last two months the campus shared information about the plant with a series of consultants who toured the facility, but the campus has not heard any further information. Ms. Roe added that a technical team had toured the heating plants and they are presently doing an analysis of their findings. Mr. Elvey then gave an update on the sale of the Knapp house by explaining that the campus had already shown the property to several potential buyers on behalf of DOA. Ms. Roe stated that because there has been so much interest in that property, the Department of Administration (DOA) decided to initiate a request for proposals for the Knapp house and expects that process will begin soon.
Regent Vasquez asked if the athletic board knew about the Kohl Center infrastructure improvements project and UW-Madison Associate Athletic Director Jason King explained that they were aware of it and, when asked about the project’s funding, he stated that the upgrade project is to be funded by athletics. Regent Walsh asked if the athletics department would pay the utility expenses for the Kohl Center and Mr. King answered that athletics does not pay for utilities for any of its facilities.

Regent Vasquez asked if there is maximum amount of acreage allowed for a campus. Mr. Elvey answered by saying that the red line shown (on the presentation slide) surrounding the campus is the BOR approved boundary and that the university would have to request Board approval to expand that boundary. Ms. Roe added that there are parcels within that boundary that the university does not own.

Regent Walsh and Regent Whitburn talked about campus housing and asked for an update about the capacity of UW-Madison’s dormitories and if there was a plan to add more campus housing. Mr. Elvey responded by saying there are no plans to add capacity because the university currently meets the demand for freshman and sophomore housing and enrollment has been stable. He added that private developers continue to build high-rise dormitory-type space near the campus. Regent Walsh commended the university for its efforts of advising those developers to produce a good outcome for the students.

I.3.c UW-Parkside Presentation: Master Plan Update

The committee heard a presentation of the UW-Parkside Master Plan Update, which focused on the alignment of the strategic, academic, fiscal, and physical visions of the institution. Associate Vice Chancellor of Institutional Effectiveness Kim Kelley began by saying that the main purposes of the 2014 UW-Parkside Master Plan were to respond to the strategic plan; establish capital priorities; optimize resources and adjacencies; and identify short and long term actions. She explained the evolution of UW-Parkside master planning since its original plan of 1969. She continued by elaborating upon the planning effort which provided an opportunity to align all of the university’s priorities: strategic, academic, special, physical and fiscal, which she said is particularly valuable in this time of sparse resources. Ms. Kelley stated that the planning efforts ensured that the university’s most strategic investments would be in the remodeling and renewal of its physical resources.

Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration Mel Klinkner presented the guiding principles of the 2014 master plan which are to: keep UW-Parkside a Future-Forward Campus; increase the variety of learning environments; enhance inclusiveness and student-focus; improve facility function and efficiency; and further enhance and balance campus sustainability. He stated that the plan anticipates an increase in enrollment of approximately two-thousand students in the next twenty years. The plan included a space study and feasibility studies of two potential projects Wyllie Hall Renovation Phase I and the Chemistry Laboratory Remodeling. Mr. Klinkner continued by saying that the outcome of the master plan demonstrated that UW-Parkside has adequate space to meet most current and future needs of an enrollment growth. He added that some campus space does not meet current teaching and learning objectives, so there is a need to renovate and repurpose existing space. He explained that campus utility and site analyses were also included in the master planning effort. Mr. Klinkner then described short-term and long-term building projects that would benefit the university.
Regent Whitburn asked for an update on the occupancy rates of UW-Parkside’s university housing. Mr. Klinkner stated that enrollment had recently decreased and that the occupancy rate is now about 80%, however, with new freshmen arriving in the fall, he anticipates that the occupancy rate will rise to 90%, which will increase housing revenue. He added that the university would not plan to build any new housing additions until it has a stable revenue stream. Chancellor Deborah Ford assured Regent Whitburn that the campus is paying very close attention to the debt service situation at UW-Parkside.

Regent Vasquez asked for information about the historic status of the UW-Parkside buildings and UW System Senior Architect Chris Gluesing stated that the historical society may proactively attempt to list some of the campus buildings on the historical inventory list if they are fifty years old or more, but that situation should have little impact on campus planning in the foreseeable future.

Regent Vasquez asked for more information about the purpose of the nature preserve and Mr. Klinkner explained that the majority of that area is not developed and that students use the preserve as a resource for their environmental studies. He added that academic interests are engaged with the students to develop a prairie restoration area in the preserve.

I.3.d. **UW System: Authority to Construct All Agency Maintenance and Repair Projects**

This item requested approval of seven All Agency projects at four campuses (UW Colleges - UW-Barron County, UW-Milwaukee, UW-Madison, and UW-Parkside) with an estimated total cost of $11.7M.

Upon the motion of Regent Whitburn, and the second of Regent Walsh, the Committee approved Resolution I.3.d.

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That, upon the recommendation of the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted to construct various maintenance and repair projects at an estimated total cost of $11,708,800 ($632,600 General Fund Supported Borrowing; $7,934,600 Program Revenue Supported Borrowing; $333,000 Gifts and Grants; and $2,808,600 Program Revenue Cash).

I.3.h. **Report of the Associate Vice President**

1. State Building Commission Actions - Associate Vice President Alex Roe reported that the building commission considered and approved the following items at its January meeting: UW-Oshkosh land transfer between city of Oshkosh and the university; UW-Platteville release of funds for the renovation of Dobson Hall-$5,484,600 PRSB; UW-Platteville acceptance of a gift-in-kind from UW-Platteville Foundation of 30 acres improved by the Swine Center; UW-Madison construction of Liz Waters Residence Hall and an increase to the budget of $3,375,300 Program Revenue-Cash for a total project cost of $13,517,000 Program Revenue-Cash; and twenty All Agency Maintenance and Repair projects.
Ms. Roe informed the committee of the 2015 members of the State Building Commission who are: Governor Scott Walker, Chair; Senator Terry Moulton, Vice Chair; Mr. Bob Brandherm, Citizen Member (and also Administrative Affairs Subcommittee Chair); Representative Rob Swearingen, (also Higher Education Subcommittee Chair); Senator Janis Ringhand; Senator Jerry Petrowski; Representative Mark Born, and Representative Gordon Hintz.

Ms. Roe stated that she anticipates that the agency requests for the capital budget will be distributed at the end of February. Then, seven to ten days later, the Governor’s capital budget recommendations should be issued. She reported that the State Building Commission action on the capital budget is expected to take place between March 18 and 25 and noted that, by statute, the final recommendations are due to the Joint Finance Committee by April 7th.

2. Other Updates – There were no other updates.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.