

**Minutes**  
**Council on Built Environment**  
**May 25, 2005**

Attending: Bill Perry, James Massey, Rick Floyd, Tom Regan, Kem Bennett, Chuck Sippial, Shelly Janac, Nancy Sawtelle, Russell Cross, Jim Calvin, Clint Magill, Tom Reber for David Parrott, and Dick Williams.

Guest: Ralph Davila

Agriculture Space Plan

Cross reviewed a map of an area north of F&B Road and noted which Agriculture buildings are in disrepair and should be demolished. Overall, there are 21 buildings to be demolished, with five of those buildings across from the General Services Complex site. The other buildings to be demolished are in the Sheep Physiology lab area and the former Dairy Farm area. These latter two areas are targeted to become the Collaborative Agriculture Research Training and Extension Center (CARTEC), to be shared by all the departments in the College and the facilities grouped to support the shared use concept.

Cross said Agriculture will be making a decision shortly on the best time to relocate the sheep to the TAMU Farm property area.

Floyd noted there is not a University policy on demolishing buildings but before the buildings are demolished they will be evaluated according to state policy, a process which calls for Surplus to first offer the buildings for sale before demolishing. Perry asked that CBE be kept informed on the Surplus status.

Phase 2

Perry noted since the Research Park is able to construct buildings in shorter term than on main campus, it would be possible to lease a new building in the Park to use as temporary laboratory and office space for a limited time, such as five years, while the Life Sciences Building and/or ETED building are being constructed.

Regan asked the Council for authorization to contact Facilities Planning and Construction for a list of System constructed buildings in the last five years. Depending on the size, type of construction and use of the building, the list may provide ideas for the Council to use in planning future buildings which require shorter construction times. The Council approved Regan contacting FP&C for this information.

Perry reviewed the timeline for renovation and possible new construction:

- FY06: Renovation of Reed McDonald, Graphics, Sbis East, Cater Matil, Cain Hall
- Renovation of Chemistry and Engineering renovation
- Use of Cain south wing
- Possible GSC build out (~25,000 SF)
- Possible use of the Business Services Management Building (on Texas Avenue)

FY07: Nothing identified

FY08: Construction of Physics Building, single client building in Research Park

FY09: Construction of Ag Program State Headquarters, ETED

FY10: Construction of Life Sciences Building

Perry noted that if all the renovations actions are taken in FY06, the square footage need decreases from 440,000 to about 310,000 and leaves about 70% unmet need in Phase 2. However, Calvin noted that Mays, Bush School, Library and Veterinary Medicine already have space for their new faculty, so the percentage of unmet need is not quite as high as 70%. Perry added that in FY06 there are several renovations which are over \$2 million and will have to be managed by FP&C.

Bennett asked if there are other administrative offices that can be relocated off-campus. Perry asked Massey to consolidate a list of all administrative offices in the academic corridor for the Council to review.

Regan noted that deans should be thinking about the direction their college should take in the next 15, 20 to 30 years and be planning now to create “clusters” of academic areas. Perry said the Council is trying to respect Engineering’s concept of being situated close together. Perry said he would draft a document on this concept for Bennett and Regan to review in advance of a Council of Deans meeting. He added that the deans need to come to a mutual conclusion on the ETED building.

Perry stated the agenda for next week’s Council meeting would focus on Phase 2 discussion and a draft budget would be shared at the meeting.

The two SWAT items to be discussed at tomorrow’s meeting are the Campus Pointe map and Biology renovation. The map will designate the area of the University Apartments. Regarding Biology renovations, an agenda item is being prepared for the July Board meeting.

To be discussed at a future CBE meeting is the possibility of the SWAT meetings being held before or after the CBE meetings so it will be more convenient for CBE members who wish to attend.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.