Minutes of the
CAMPUS FACILITIES PLANNING COMMITTEE Meeting
Held

April 19, 2004
228 Williams Administration Building – 2:00 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Charles A. Sippial (Chair), Dr. Bill Perry, Dr. Rick Floyd, Dr. Richard Creger, Dr. Wei Zhao (for Ewing), Dr. David Hyland, Mr. James Massey

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Trey Fletcher (City of College Station), Ms. Linda Huff (City of Bryan), Mr. David Godbey (Physical Plant Department), Ms. Michelle Engelke, Mr. Chris Meyer (Environmental Health and Safety), Mr. Jim Culver (GIS).

MEMBERS NOT ATTENDING: Dr. Robin Abrams, Dr. Bill Kibler

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS NOT ATTENDING: Mr. Richard Williams (Physical Plant Department), Mr. Tim Donathen

PRESENTERS/GUEST PRESENT:
Mary Miller  Associate Vice President for Administration
Steve Beachy  City of College Station Parks & Recreation
Arturo Alonzo  Texas Engineering Extension Service
Dan Gray  Texas Engineering Extension Service
Tom Shehan  Texas Engineering Extension Service
Nancy Sawtelle  Provost Office
David Morrison  Facilities Coordination

Chairman Sippial called the meeting to order at 2:08 pm and welcomed the members and guest to the meeting.

1. Minutes from the meeting of January 20, 2004 were not available and will be considered at the next meeting

2. Centennial Forest – Regan
   This item was pulled from the agenda at the request of the presenter. The item will be considered by the committee at a future meeting.

3. Land Use: University Services Building and Veterans Park – Beachy
   Mr. Beachy presented a follow-up report to the committee regarding a proposal for a cooperative project related to the development and operation of the Veterans Park and Athletic Complex. The city proposes to connect the University property adjacent to the City’s Veterans Park. This would allow expanded nature trail functions that would serve to enhance the academic and research programs of three academic departments. It would also enable the use of the land by the Athletic Department’s Cross Country team. This item was originally discussed by the committee at its January 2004 meeting. The CFPC asked that Mr. Beachy return with a draft inter-local agreement and illustrations of the connecting
points between the city and university land. The city proposed four connection points located at the sites listed below:

1. Veterans Memorial site
2. Gate near the University Services Building
3. Northern end of the Veterans Park property
4. Adjacent to the Softball fields

Answering questions of access and the resulting liability for after hour access to the park and university land, Mr. Beachy indicated that the park is closed and the gates locked at night. He indicated that the gates at the access points would include locks and would be secured when the park was closed. The committee indicated their preference for only three connecting points, dropping the northern-most proposed site (#3 in the list above).

The draft inter-local agreement was prepared based on an existing agreement between the city and university for co-use of the Hensel Park area. The City will bear the cost of the construction and maintenance of the trails. A meets and bounds of the boundary will be included in the agreement. **Dr. Floyd made a motion supporting the recommendation allow co-use of the university property. The motion was contingent upon the finalization of the inter-local agreement, which will include language indicating that the university supports this use until such time as there is an alternate need for the property. Dr. Creger seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously by the committee.**

4. **TEEX: Iraqi Fire Fighting Housing Proposal** – Alonzo

Dr. Alonzo asked the committee to endorse a proposal to use land at the Riverside Campus to construct a housing compound which would be used to train a total of 4,000 Iraqi Fire Fighters over a two year period. He indicated that an RFP was in progress for this training. Hagemeyer International is the prime contractor for the project, with TEEX operating with others as the training sub-contractor. The university will be asked to provide the land for the housing compound and for access to electric utilities and water/waste water infrastructure. Chairman Sippial told the members that the university was actively analyzing the proposal which would pay the university $250,000 for waste water upgrade and $38,000 for road repair in the vicinity of the site. The housing units will be modular buildings, which at the end of the training would be donated to the university. The current status was that the university has agreed to negotiate the proposal. **Dr. Hyland made a motion to approve the use the University ‘s land at the Riverside Campus for this purpose. Dr. Floyd seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously by the committee.**

5. **Land Use Designation: Riverside Campus, TEEX: Circuit Training Trail** - Alonzo

Dr. Alonzo introduced Tom Shehan with TEEX’s Public Safety and Security Division located that the Riverside Campus. Mr. Shehan asked the committee to approve a redesigned circuit training trail to be used as an exercise and training site for the academy. The proposal also includes the placement of a locker and storage building adjacent to building 7751 at the Riverside Campus. The site has been shifted to the west side of the land and the locker room facility will be sited just south of the western wing of building 7751. **Dr. Floyd motioned to recommend approval of this facility to the CBE, with the**
provision that if a future need for this land was determined by the University, that the facility would need to be removed at the cost of TEEX. Dr. Creger seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the committee.

6. **TEEX: Riverside Campus Hanger Renovations** - Alonzo

Dr. Alonzo introduced Mr. Dan Gray with TEEX’s Electrical Training program located at the Riverside Campus. Mr. Gray asked that the committee support the proposal to renovate building 6030 at the Riverside Campus and asked that the committee recommend that improvements to the structure formerly inventoried as 8267. Building 6030 is a hanger, currently used by the TEEX and is in great need of repair and renovation. The building will be used to support the agency’s utilities and public works training institute. The walls and the foundation of the former building 8267 were recently removed. The roof and supporting structures were found to be sound and TEEX is asking that improvements be made to use it as a storage structure for training materials. Funding for both projects will be provided by TEEX. The total cost for 6040 and 8267 are estimated to be $375,000-$775,000 and $20,000 respectively. **Dr. Floyd motioned to recommend approval of these projects as presented. Dr. Hyland seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the committee.**

7. **Bush Presidential Library Security Improvements** -

Mr. Sippial told the members that improvements to the exterior of the Bush Presidential Library and Museum have been proposed by the Federal Government. He reported that a meeting has been scheduled to review the design. Concerns over the appearance of the improvements will be a foremost concern, with the goal of protecting the museum and its patrons with looking like a fortress. As the final design is set, it will be brought to the Committee for consideration. **This was an informational item, no action was taken.**

8. **Campus Master Plan Update** – Miller

Ms. Mary Miller told the committee that the Master Plan project was on schedule. The plan was to take it to the July Board of Regents Meeting for consideration. **This was an informational item, no action was taken.**

9. **Council on the Built Environment (CBE)** – Perry

Dr. Perry told the committee that the CBE is continuing to meet weekly. In a public form held on April 15th, views of the campus community were voiced. There were 30 people attend the forum. The CBE has added a student member. The communication plan continues to reflect the current and planned schedule for the many moves associated with the CBE’s work to address the space needs associated with the Faculty Reinvestment Plan. **This was an informational item, no action was taken.**

7. **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 pm