

**Infrastructure Council Minutes**  
**February 23, 2012**  
**1:00 PM**  
**Library East, Conference Room 2B**

*Present:* Jay Watkins, Andy McCollough, Shannon Holliday, Gail Hansen de Chapman, Mark Tillman, Naomi Young, Fedo Zazueta, Curtis Reynolds, Tom Caswell, Ira Harkness, Neta Pulvermacher, Sue Alvers, Olivia Ruggieri

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. by co-chair Naomi Young.

The minutes were approved with corrections.

### **CIO Focus Groups**

The CIO is asking for a few faculty to sit on an IT focus group. These focus groups were organized last year to establish direct communication with IT's clients. They were so effective that Elias Eldayrie, CIO, decided to continue the practice. Topics for the group to discuss are issues that the faculty wish to bring to the table. Usually 12-15 people attend. Deadline for suggested names is close of business Friday, Sept 24. Contact Naomi Young with names of interested faculty. Light refreshments will be served.

### **Google Higher Ed Apps**

Fedo Zazueta explained that IT has looked into the Google apps. Many faculty are interested in Google and other third party tools. Google tools are useful, however, faculty must remember that student names are protected by law and faculty need to take the intermediate step to protect student names. The website, [citt.ufl.edu](http://citt.ufl.edu) is helpful with instructions on how to teach with technology. It has examples on how to use technology and how to get started. It's very important that the data is secure. Neta Pulvermacher noted that some universities are outsourcing their email, etc. to Google. The council noted concern about data mining and privacy with Google. The University is constantly discussing the uses of new technology – what is relevant and what is not. It was emphasized that technology is a tool.

### **Committee Reports**

- *Preservation of Historic Buildings and Sites Committee Approvals– Tom Caswell*
  - Not much going on due to lack of PECO funds.
  - College of Business Undergraduate Studies Building
  - Reitz Union Expansion & Renovation Program Phase
  - The Smathers Colonnade demolition
- *Lakes, Vegetation and Landscape Committee Approvals– Gail Hansen de Chapman*
  - The removal of the large magnolia outside the Library East door. Concerned that the magnolia will fall down.
  - Reitz Union Expansion
  - College of Business Undergraduate Studies Building
  - Plans to redesign the University/13<sup>th</sup> Street corner
  - Redo the tennis practice utility. It doesn't fit with NCAA standards.
  - Expansion of the O'Connell gymnastics area
  - Noted that there will be a Summer B Public Art Project where an artist will visit campus and with the help of the Fine Arts students, will paint 50 trees bright blue. The paint will not harm the trees. The trees have already been selected.
- *Transportation and Parking Committee Approvals– Ira Harkness*
  - Shands now has complimentary parking.
  - Old parking meters have been replaced. Parking fees at the meters have increased to help pay for the new meters.

- Reitz Union upgrade
- Library site on Waldo Road
- College of Business Undergraduate Studies Building
- Suggestion to add a Mowry Road Crosswalk was voted down due to concern that the hill on Mowry will interfere with drivers view of the crosswalk.
- *Steering Committee – Mark Tillman and Naomi Young*
  - Discussed Open Access
  - Self-Insurance – Cheri Brodeur, Chair-Elect, mentioned at the HHP Faculty Advisory meeting that it seems like the administration is trying to slow down the process. UFF has to approve Gator Care.

#### **Old Business**

- First pilot group have completed the online tenure and promotion. They are looking for another group to test the online system. The Library might be next.
- Nothing new on the CFA space study.

#### **New Business**

- The council should think of a potential chair for next year. It should be someone who is returning, such as:
  - Mark Tillman (2013)
  - Jay Watkins (2013)
  - Manual Arreola (2014)
  - Neta Pulvermacher (2014)
- Neta invited everyone to attend the show “Crossing the Line” at the Constance Theatre tonight, Friday and Sunday. It will be a Director directing a show from New York via Skype.
- Curtis Reynolds, new VP for Business Affairs, introduced himself to the council.
- Next meeting is March 22

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.