

Infrastructure Council Minutes

January 4, 2018 1:30 p.m. Pugh 150

Attendees

Melody Royster, Silvio dos Santos, Laurie Bialosky, Tom Mitchell, Sue Alvers, Jodi Gentry, Jay Watkins, John Duncan, Karen Rice, Megan Forbes, Jason Fults, Mike Dark, Ann Wehmeyer, Timothy Tia, Angela Bacsik, Carlos Dougnac, Mark McCallister, Bernard Hauser and Melissa Johnson.

1. Call to Order

Ann Wehmeyer, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:29 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

The December 14, 2017 minutes were approved.

3. Tom Mitchell, Vice President for Advancement

Mr. Mitchell shared concepts being explored for a new space being developed adjacent to Emerson Alumni Hall. Features being discussed for the space include:

- A first floor UF faculty club or faculty-focused space where faculty, alumni, and visitors can easily access:
 - o Convenient and accessible parking
 - o A “plug in” space with the university internet
 - o A collaborative space with nearby administrative/meeting support
 - o A coffee area and
 - o A main entrance containing an academic leadership/academy recognition space
- A second floor similarly designed to the Emerson Hall event space housing catering, and lecture hall seating and capabilities.
- A third floor primarily for administrative offices

Please forward any suggestions and feedback to Karen Rice, Foundation Chief Operating Officer and Associate Vice President at krice@uff.ufl.edu

4. OPS Discussion

Jody Gentry, Vice President of Human Resources Services, discussed OPS employment at UF and emphasized that the university pays OPS, hourly employees for hours worked. She would like to address the needs of university employees who have relayed their concerns (particularly of those who have stated that they were not given an opportunity to work or make up their missed hours due to unexpected university closings) to the Alachua County Labor Coalition; having the names of the specific university employees with whom she would like to communicate is necessary to address such issues, particularly since the Alachua County Labor Coalition does not represent and is not affiliated with the university. She also discussed that the available department or unit funding as well as the characteristics of certain job functions lends itself to the university hiring OPS employees. The posting of an OPS position is determined at the unit or department, as opposed to the university, level.

Jason Fults and Paul Ortiz will speak at the next council meeting where Dr. Ortiz will present a specific resolution for council consideration.

Due to a schedule conflict, Mark Helms, Assistant Vice President, Facilities Services, was unable to attend this meeting to discuss OPS employees in his unit so he will attend the February 8th meeting.

5. UF Vice President of Business Affairs, Curtis Reynolds will attend the next meeting to discuss deferred maintenance.
6. Jody Gentry would like to address the issue of paid parental leave in a future council meeting.
7. **Reporting of Contributing Committees:** No reports were given.
 - Steering Committee (S) – Ann Wehmeyer
 - University Libraries Committee (S) – Angela Bacsik
 - Lakes, Vegetation, and Landscaping Committee (J) -- Gail Hansen
 - Preservation of Historic Buildings and Sites Committee (J) -- Morris Hylton
 - Parking and Transportation Committee (J) – Jay Watkins
 - Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee (J) -- Megan Forbes
 - Sustainability Committee (J) – John Duncan
 - University IT Committee – Michael Dark
8. The meeting was adjourned at 2:43 p.m.