

Minutes - Infrastructure Council March 21, 2023 9:00 a.m.

***160 Pugh Hall** *or if needed via Zoom:

<https://ufl.zoom.us/j/93288237593>

Meeting ID: 932 8823 7593 Dial in: +1 646 558 8656

Present: Keith Rambo, Walter O'Dell, Ray Issa, Yousong Ding, Nancy Clark, Selman Hershfield, Mark McCallister, Cydney McGlothlin, Patrick Reakes, Gail Hansen, Josepha Cheong, Ariel Pomputius, Ann Baird, Patricia Sohn, Rachel Mandell, and Carlos Dougnac.

1. Call to Order – by Keith Rambo, Infrastructure Council Chair at 9:04 am

2. Approval of February 14, 2023 Minutes: approved as presented.

3. Chair's Report

- Chair elections forthcoming today: Chair becomes member of steering committee with additional responsibilities, such as forthcoming meeting with student representatives to discuss tearing down of student housing (previously discussed by our group), submission of reports, etc.

4. Reporting of Contributing Committees and Administrative Liaisons:

- **Lakes, Vegetation, and Landscaping Committee (J) -- Gail Hansen**
 1. Nothing to report because they did not meet.
 2. Concern with cars parking on newly planted arboretum on ballpark way during baseball games
- **Preservation of Historic Buildings and Sites Committee (J) – Ann Baird**
 1. Also nothing to report because they did not meet
- **Parking and Transportation Committee (J) – Scott Washburn**
 1. Not present but reported to Keith that they did not meet so have nothing to report.
- **Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee (J) – Jay Watkins**
 1. Jay not present so no report
- **Sustainability Committee (J) – Ariel Pomputius**
 1. Discussed champions for change nominations: nominees for both wellness and, separately, sustainability work. Put into the chat the link with additional details: <https://sustainable.ufl.edu/news-events/champions-for-change-awards/>
 2. Keith: any updates on Cap2? Ariel: talking with Pres. Sasse on when he will go over that report and where to go from there.

- **University IT Committee (S) – Ray Issa / University IT Administration – Mark McCallister**
 1. Ray: talked in their last meeting about on-line lab notebooks, and the implementation of ConCur travel and expense software. Discussed also zoom-meeting feature with closed-captioning in 300 languages. Also talked about AI in teaching.
 2. Keith asked about the travel reporting/applications with regards to faculty use, and Ray responded that the intent is to be easier on faculty with the design of better and more comprehensive on-line forms.
- **University Libraries Committee – Josepha Cheong / Sr. Associate Dean Patrick Reakes**
 1. Patrick: Continued progress on flood damage repair. The building is now fully open and functional (good response time to reopening of only 60 days).
 2. Smathers bldg. project is proceeding to replace air handler system with larger, more efficient unit requiring structural changes to building.
 3. 24/7 opening for library started yesterday and ongoing measurements of usage and feedback. Still discussing who will pay for this feature. Keith: who is advertising this new feature? Patrick: there is a student organization along with dept staff that are publicizing it. Were not very aggressive with publicity until we were certain that we would open on that particular date but are being more aggressive now.
 4. Josepha introduced herself. Recapped that ~6,000 volumes were affected by the flood. Much discussion was about which of those **have** to be replaced and how to best cover missing areas.
 5. Patrick added that those ~5,800 volumes were not repairable. Their committee discussed whether e-books would be better replacement type for some volumes.

5. New Business

Election of 2023-2024 Infrastructure Council Chair: Member Roster / Eligible:

<https://fora.aa.ufl.edu/FacultySenate/Councils/Infrastructure-Council>

Yousong Ding, Walter O'Dell, Patricia Sohn & Selman Hershfield

Keith: solicited from the list of eligible (above) members for those willing to accept a nomination to be next chair. Walter accepted. Not others accepted during the meeting. Keith asked for any further discussion, there was none, so Walter was designated as chair-elect. August will be the time when the chair-elect would officially begin work as committee chair and Keith will follow-up with Walter on additional details.

6. Old Business

- **Thermal Production Plant**
- **Library chilled water damage after action**
- **Cap2 Update**
- **24/7 Student Library Access**

7. Adjournment: adjourned at 9:24 am