



## MINUTES

### Facilities & Environmental Improvement Committee

Friday, March 27, 2015

2:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.

Building 10, Board Room

#### MEMBERSHIP

Jeff Enznz – Chair, Administrative Representative

John Lau – Administrative Representative *absent*

Sergio Lopez – Administrative Representative *absent*

Jose Lopez – Faculty Representative *absent*

Ricardo Pradis – Faculty Representative

Samuel David – Faculty Representative *absent*

Rick Webster Webster – CMCA

Representative

Rhonda Ruiz – Classified Representative *absent*

Carol Cortes-Ramirez – Classified Representative *absent*

Edalaine Joy Tango-an– ASG Representative

Priscilla Ortiz – ASG Representative

#### Guest:

Omar Ramos, Todd Evangelist, Matthew Thale

Recording Secretary: Angie Gallo

#### I. WELCOME

#### II. ACTION ITEMS

##### a. Approval of the December 5, 2014 Committee Minutes

M/S/C Webster/Pradis to approve the December 5, 2014 minutes as presented.

##### b. Amphitheatre Ramp (proposal by ASG) – Priscilla

M/S/C Webster/Pradis to approve Amphitheatre ramp modification costs to be budgeted in the Maintenance Department deferment plan and included as budget enhancement. Alternative funding sources such as grants to be looked into by Dr. Patterson to possibly include an acoustic roof. Motion Carried (5/0)

#### Discussion:

ASG is proposing the amphitheater be modified to include an access ramp to the main stage area. Rick Webster stated a ramp must meet specific building (measurement) requirements. As it currently stands, this modification would require building the ramp out into the current side walk and may require the need to alter the sidewalks as well.

Rick Webster stated there is currently no funding for it, concrete monies have been spent. He could add it into the 5 year deferment plan and could also place it as a budget enhancement.

Dr. James Patterson spoke and stated he started the process of looking for grants that could fund this project. Due to it not being ADA compliant makes it easier to get a grant to fund not just a ramp, but maybe also a half roof to help with acoustics to make the space more versatile for campus use. He stated this is an unmet need of the campus that isn't obvious to the greater campus community. The cost for the project with cement and alteration at prevailing wage would be around 10K.

**c. Proposals to name buildings/classrooms in honor of: Pete Mellinger & Alicia Ortega**

M/S/C Webster/Pradis to acknowledge receipt and review of the request to honor Pete Mellinger. The committee is recommending to move forward per established policy and adhere to the one (1) year waiting period. Motion Carried (5/0).

Discussion Mellinger:

Proposal brought by Alicia Ortega to honor Pete Mellinger. Jeff Enz read letter to committee, which includes request to waive "any waiting period" involved in the process. Dr. Victor Jaime brought this request to Jeff Enz today because of the waiver request. The goal is to honor Mr. Mellinger before he passes.

Jeff Enz discussed the potential of doing something other than naming of a room/building like working with the Art Department to create a statue or something similar in Mr. Mellinger's honor.

Rick Webster raised concern regarding the request to waive the waiting period. He stated every naming request that has been brought forward since the policy was implemented, has been brought with the request to waive the 1-year waiting period.

Rick Webster was involved in putting the policy together and said a lot of work went into the creation of the policy. The one year waiting period was put in place for a reason.

Matthew Thale voiced concern on the significant number of people on campus who don't know the individuals being honored or what they did for the campus community. Stated he believes it is important that before a request is granted, that the student body get involved to help make known who the individual is/was and the reasons behind the proposal to understand why the recognition is being given.

Todd Evangelist spoke regarding the purpose and reasons for honoring individuals on campus. He believes honor should be given to those who raise funds for the mission of the District. He stated Higher Education institutes are known for honoring significant donors. IVC is the only agency recognizing/honoring people that are not donors to the entity. He stated he believes in donating towards the cause and would like to see things done differently but understands we have rules to follow. Suggested we adhere to rules already established.

Todd also stated maybe there is a need to reconsider the value of naming a building, indicating the individuals who have been honored and/or are being asked to be, were paid for their service everyday while they were employees at IVC. IVC strives to hire the best employees and we would hope each excels in the area for which they were hired.

James Patterson spoke on the recognition they will create for Dr. Fred Fischer who served as the Division Chair of the English Department for 22 years. There will be a picture and plaque made for his 22 years of service. Believes it is a nice way to honor Dr. Fischer. Plaque can go with the division rather than naming a building.

Edalaine Jot Tango-an asked why the request for “hall” in the name? And what room? It was explained the term “hall” is used at university in reference to a building, hence the name “Mellinger Hall”. The classroom where he taught no longer exists so there is no room in particular at this point.

Discussion Ortega:

Proposal brought by Hector Lopez – to honor Alicia Ortega naming her former classroom in her honor 304A. Retired in 2009. Jeff read letter to committee, which includes request to waive “any waiting period” involved in the process. Circled back to previous concerns.

**No motion received.**

Other question the committee asked included:

- What happens when the District runs out of things to name?
- What happens when people no longer know the individual honored and have a new proposal to rename?
- What about considering alternative ways to honor an individual other than naming buildings/classrooms? i.e. monument on campus
- Establishing an “Honor through Contributions” – there is a lot of people who fit the category. Could establish a one-year honor period for such recognitions.

### **III. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**a. Campus Moves – Jeff Enz**

Jeff Enz stated there is no update at the moment.

**b. Construction Update – Rick Webster W**

No updates to report.

**c. Digital signage and building numbering – Jeff Enz**

Tabled until next meeting.

**d. Campus Key-Issuance Policy – Rick Webster W**

Tabled until next meeting.

**e. Unisex restrooms – Sergio L**

Restrooms would be marked as “family” restrooms. Convert restrooms in the Student Health Center to family restrooms. Concern throughout the state right now on this topic. Main idea is to take individual restrooms with one stall and turn into “family”. Can be locked on the inside. Building 2700 has 2 more restrooms that are single stall and are being considered for conversion. This would still leave two restrooms upstairs designated for staff. Trying to comply with the new laws, without having to build new restrooms. Will bring back next month for action.

### **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:03 pm.