

**Minutes**  
**Buildings and Grounds Committee**  
**January 26, 2007**  
**9:00-10:30am**

Present: Greg Anderson, Jim Bradley, Tom Callahan, Barry Feldman, Karla Fox,  
George Kraus, Ross MacKinnon, Peter Nicholls, John Saddlemire

Absent: Lori Aronson, Bill Stwalley, David Woods

Guests: President Philip Austin  
Chief Robert Hudd, Associate VP for Public & Environmental Safety  
Major Ronald Blicher, University Police

Staff: Lauren Douglas

The meeting commenced at 9:05am.

**Approval of Minutes from 01.12.07 Meeting –**

On a motion by B. Feldman and seconded by J. Bradley, the 01.12.07 minutes were approved as circulated.

**Action Items –**

- a. *Student Union Quad*: It was requested that the Buildings and Grounds Committee increase the allocation of FY 07 Deferred Maintenance Funds for the Student Union Quad from \$250,000 to \$650,000 (an increase of \$400,000). The money will be used to develop this site with walks, begin the landscaping (including walls along Fairfield Way) and complete the first phase of the SU Quad development. K. Fox made a motion stating that “the Committee anticipates that there will be less spent on the Pharmacy demolition than originally planned and this money will be transferred with the purpose of helping to fund the SU Quad”. The motion was seconded by T. Callahan. G. Anderson abstained from voting not because he wants his actions to reflect negatively on this vote, but because he does not know what they will be sacrificing to do this project. The motion was accepted by the committee with one abstention.
  
- b. *Rock Crusher – SU Quad*: The contractor has requested to bring in a rock crusher to be placed behind the demolition area near the old Pharmacy Building. It would be placed during the week of Spring Break and it will help to reduce truck traffic. It was asked if the machine could be operated in the afternoon/evening instead of the morning and J. Bradley and G. Kraus said that they would explore this option. The contractor is aware of the May Commencement ceremonies. The work will be done by that time.

**Merritt Building –**

Engineering and Photonics will remain in the building and Fine Arts will move in. G. Kraus is going to ask for architects' proposals on this project and move forward. The plans presented by G. Kraus represent the outcomes of the conversations of all parties involved. Information will be shared with all involved. It is hoped that Fine Arts will be able to relocate to this building in the Fall of 2008.

**Ryan Refectory –**

This space is currently under construction and it should be completed during the month of June.

**Whetten Graduate Center –**

There are no new updates or status reports available for this project. The campus Master Planners are involved in all aspects of the planning for this project.

**Nayden Clinic –**

The design for this project will be done in early spring and then bid.

**North Eagleville Road –**

President Austin, Chief Hudd and Major Blicher joined the group to discuss North Eagleville Road. A lengthy discussion ensued.

The meeting adjourned at 10:36am.