

9/27/16 Resource and Environment Committee Meeting Minutes

7 senators in attendance --- Kimberly Ange-van Heugten, Richard Bernhard, Helmut Hergeth Richard Kotek, Steven Peretti, Chris Gunterq, Matthew Rever

Kevin MacNaughton (Interim Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities) was our guest speaker – Kevin retired 2.5 yrs ago but came back as an interim due to the most recent Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities taking a new job. Kevin's most recent term at NCSU was 2005 – 2014 although he has been here at NCSU between 1994 and 1998 prior to assuming positions at the UNC system and at UNC Chapel Hill. Like many of us, he considers NCSU home despite employment around the UNC system.

Now is a good time for Kevin to resume retirement because the hiring process of his replacement is in full steam. The bond projects (plant science and engineering) also are in good shape. The week of 9/26 was Kevin's last week at NCSU.

Mr. MacNaughton reported having a good 10+ year relationship with the faculty senate after attending his first faculty senate meeting in 2005 and realizing that the senators really appreciated being part of the dialogue and wanted connections.

Former Vice Chancellor Charlie Leffler also valued this engagement. Mr. Leffler is doing well in his retirement after serving in various positions at NCSU for more than 25 years. Upon his return this summer MacNaughton's primary effort was the re-organization of the Facilities Division

Campus utility systems are much more advanced now. We now have ubiquitous central chilled water and steam and generate a portion of our electricity as a byproduct. 2/3rds of winter load taken care of and ½ summer load taken care of in-house (main campus). Energy savings projects are a big focus (LED lights, review team, etc.)

Jack Colby ran facilities, etc. ---this was a huge burden for 1 person but now he will have, via re-organization, a more specific focus leading a unit called Energy Systems with shared responsibilities on other items. There has also been consolidation of project work in one unit call Facilities Services to make sure that facilities people affiliated with the same areas are more easily able to be in contact with each other. Eight positions were unfortunately rified in middle management to deal with budget cuts.

Some positives: – universal sentiment that we need to focus on fixing what we have instead of just building new (we have a considerable backlog of deferred maintenance in the order of magnitude around \$ 400 million) – hopefully some promotion at the GA level / UNC president will get this money in use (faculty should support attention to deferred maintenance where needed) – Mr. MacNaughton

recommends to ask for whole building renovations not just piecemeal approaches –ex: “like renovating Ricks hall”.

There was a strong emphasis to appreciate what we have on Centennial Campus – this campus is novel across most universities – it is clearly a great success despite some worry about employee transfer back and forth to main campus.

There is a recommendation to invite Mr. Jeff Bandini to our R & E committee to discuss future Centennial Campus plans. He is leading that effort – it could be interesting for us to hear his ideas.

It is important to remember that the GA (General Assembly) will likely not support higher education as much as it used to and thus the future of NCSU support will likely be a focus for the chancellor in the future.

Mr. McNaughton came back because of NCSU being home and wonderful facilities people – down to the housekeepers being amazing. We should not forget how fortunate we are to have housekeeping people that we have such a positive and long term relationship with instead of using services with less consistency and reliability.

Senator Questions:

Dr. Bernhard question – senate committees were involved in meeting the candidates of all vice chancellors previously & many connections were nicely organized – how can we make this happen again (since we were not included in the hiring of Mr. MacNaughton’s replacement)?

Kevin recommends getting Scott Douglass (Vice Chancellor of Finance & Administration, successor to Charlie Leffler) to come and chat with us; this could help foster the relationship with the Faculty Senate. Get plugged into the Master Plan vision (meetings often on campus and we should ensure people go).

Other Questions

– Will centennial have more parking decks? (Yes, structured parking will continue to be the approach used on this campus)

- Does textiles have any building updates in the plans (Not currently but encouragement for renovations to optimize space as discussed above could be a good plan).

- Student housing plans (potential Sullivan and Lee could be removed and new housing developed).

- How about Mr. MacNaughton’s position – 3 finalists – the interviews are happening now and next week (some discussion on why no faculty involvement with this - should

ask the Provost as our advocate why this did not happen). Thus – there should be a replacement soon. Collaboration and consensus makes this happen.

Login ID discussion

Kimberly and Helmut met with Marc Hoit and Mardecia Bell on 9/19./16. The new wording on the procedure for an employee to change their unity ID was explained. This procedure seems to address both the complications of changing this ID and the sincere need for some employees to do so. The new guidelines will be posted at The Computing Account Procedures for Faculty, Staff & Guests - 2016 Update asap.

Mrs. Catherine Reeve discussion

The committee unanimously said yes to Ms. Reeve's request to come to an October meeting to discussion transportation / update. The date was later set to be Oct. 25th, 2016.