

Buildings, Grounds and Sustainability Advisory Committee

January 16, 2024

Administrative Conference Room 1:00pm – 2:00pm

Attendees:

Audrey Capristo, Peter Chow, Joel Cortez, David Fisch, Gian Haasner, Simon Pennington, Mike Teijeiro, Bret Watson

Minutes:

Approved.

Review Unfunded Capital Projects:

(Bret) Presented the capital projects. The projects are funded by Measure G Bond. Initially there were two projects for Foothill College; which are housing for employees and students (200 million) and an event center (100 million). However, the budget has to be reduced. The Board will make a decision on the budget of the event center soon, which will be about 81 million dollars. For De Anza College, the Flint Center will be taken down in the near future. De Anza is deciding on building a multi-purpose space on campus.

(Bret) Presented p.29 of facilities master plan. The focus is renovating the buildings at Foothill College. One of the plans is to refurbish the rooms at the PE Department, building 2800. Foothill is planning to install a gender-neutral changing room in building 2800. Another plan is around the Smithwick Theater, building 1000. The seats in the theater and ADA around the theater need to be updated. The Dental Hygiene building, building 5300, also needs to be worked on. Bret wants to create a taskforce to focus on these projects and report to the Board meeting.

(Simon) The pool and theater has been on the top of the list of updates for a long time.

(Bret) Presented the list of projects. The costs are estimated but not accurate; the projects are more expensive now. The ADA compliance project for Smithwick Theater will cost about 30 million dollars. The taskforce will need to review and prioritize the projects.

(David) Reported the plan for Dental Hygiene and Rad Tech building. Presented the Measure G Projects. The Budget is about 8 million dollars short. One Board member and the Chancellor are aware of the theater and Dental Hygiene building projects.

(Bret) It is not enough budget to upgrade all facilities, would like to request more budget.

(Gian) A lot of students are concerned about the pool's condition, but budget is also a concern for the students. (Bret) The PE Department will use a more efficient system for the pool once it

is repaired, e.g. putting cover over the pool in the future when no one is using the pool. (Gian) Heard from swimming and water polo team members that they want to practice at Foothill. (Mike) Before the holiday, the ASFC voted to support the hybrid heating system for the pool. Will submit the vote results to the Board. Faculty, Chancellor and the President also support the hybrid heating system. (Simon) There are other devices that can be changed to offset the carbon emission on campus, e.g. changing the vehicles to electric vehicles.

(Bret) The taskforce should meet once a week to meet the deadline in March. The task force will meet next week to review the facilities list and start prioritizing the items on the list.

(Joel) The cost to upgrade the pool to electric system in 2024 will increase by 20%.

Updates regarding the Signage Subcommittee:

(Dave) Reported the signage updates. Simon and Bret will attend Sam Connel's class to look at solutions regarding issues on campus.