Safety & Facilities Committee Summary Report
December 14, 2011 Meeting
AB5-Room 210

Absent: M. Banyan, B. Fuentes, J. Hehl, P. O’Connor Benson
Guest: Nora Demers

1. Old Business:
   a. B. Genson reviewed the Campus Master Plan – 2010 Status
      i. Presentation delayed until BOT meeting in April, 2012
   b. B. Genson provided a brief review of current projects (See Attachment)
   c. R. Rodrigues provided a brief update of the Space Utilization Committee’s presentation to the PBC on 12/13/11. (See attachment of PBC Summary.)
   d. B. Genson reviewed issues regarding the locking of suite doors in academic buildings
      i. No code requirement that suite doors have to be locked from the interior.
      ii. To retrofit existing doors and frames with a thumb bolt would be very expensive. J. Hehl will provide an estimate of costs.
   e. B. Genson provided a brief overview of the schematic design process for the Great Lawn (aka the Green Oval).

2. New Business:
   a. Nora Demers—Presented a safety concern re: an observed conflict between skateboarders and pedestrians, especially in the narrow covered walkway areas around campus.
      i. L. Johnson has not received many related skateboard accident reports, but based on a suggestion from R. Mendoza, L. Johnson will review such accident reports with the Wellness Center for more data and information.
      ii. B. Genson indicated that there is no additional funding in progress to construct a separate “skateboard lane” anywhere on campus.
      iii. The SFC will table this issue until further data is developed by L. Johnson regarding the skateboard/pedestrian accident rate.
   b. Nora Demers—Presented a safety concern re: a conflict between people sitting on the floor of corridors and pedestrians in BHG Hall, Reed Hall and Merwin Hall. The problem is exacerbated by people sticking their feet out in such narrow corridors and forcing pedestrians to walk over and/or around those seated on the floor.
      i. Nora suggested that perhaps the addition of some bench seating in said corridors would alleviate most of the space conflict.
      ii. B. Genson indicated that the cost such benches would need to be developed from funds other than construction funds. B. Genson will review with Steve Magiera.
   c. Donna Henry sent a request from an AB-7 faculty member for an emergency telephone for Chemistry Lab. Please see an attached response from W. Everham to Dean Henry regarding possible resolution of this issue.

(End of Meeting Summary Notes)