Space Administration Committee Meeting
September 16, 2015

Agenda:
• Six Year Capital Plan Re-Submission (revised project list)
• Status of Space Planning Studies
• Space Request for Review/Approval
• Public/Common Space in Buildings Discussion
State requested a re-submission of Mason’s (and other university’s) original 6-year plan that was submitted in late May 2015

Reason: Governor’s Intent to Focus Investment
- STEM-H Job Creation
- Supporting Infrastructure

Revised Project and Priority List (September 2015)

1 – FF&E for Academic VII (currently under construction)
2 – Replace Robinson Hall / Improvements to Harris Theater
3 – Repair Utility Distribution Project
4 – Repair/Upgrade Telecommunications Infrastructure
5 – Renovate Planetary/Sci & Tech I
6 – Renovate Fenwick Research Commons, Phase II
7 – Potomac Heights lease authority
8 – Renovate/Construction Addition to David King Hall
9 – Construct Facilities Complex
10 – Renovate Enterprise Hall
11 – Construct Academic VIII/Research IV
• **Consultants Currently Working on Space Planning Studies**

• **Science & Tech Campus**
  • **Bull Run Hall** – determine scope and costs for converting vacated research labs and other spaces into instructional and support spaces for Mechanical Engineering and additional COS instructional science labs
    • Improve existing physics instructional lab
    • Improve and right-size biology and chemistry instructional labs
    • Create new mechanical engineering instructional labs

• **Arlington Campus**
  • **Hazel Hall** – determine feasibility, scope and costs for consolidating much of the Law School library on floor 2-4 so that the 1st floor library space can be used to relocate Career, Alumni & Academic Services (CAAS) and Admissions in a more prominent and professional location.
• **School of Business - Additional Arlington Campus Space**
  
  • Requests additional office space to relocate faculty/staff for two executive masters programs (MSTM, MSIS) from FX to ARL, and to co-locate Center for Critical Infrastructure Protection/Homeland Security director and staff with other S-Business space (center moved from Law to S-Business as of July 1st)
  
  • Recommend assignment of vacant office and workstation spaces that are located adjacent to existing School of Business suite in Founders Hall – available offices and workstations meets identified needs

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**SAC Decision – Assignment of Founders 4th floor space approved to meet this need**
• **Arlington Growth Space Assignments Will Consider:**
  1. Growth Plan for the School of Business in Arlington
     • Develop growth plan to include a multi-year, multi-phase comprehensive strategic phasing and growth plan jointly developed by School of Business and Facilities Planning Office (Business providing programmatic vision and Facilities planning will develop space plan)
  2. Hazel Hall Space Changes Feasibility Study (outcome of study to determine feasibility of Law School request to relocate student service centered offices to 1st floor of Hazel)
  3. Development of a comprehensive, multi-year master plan for the Arlington Campus to meet strategic initiatives, space needs related to items 1 and 2, and other space considerations from SPGIA, S-CAR, housing, and other campus support needs

*SAC supports recommendation to keep Hazel 4th floor suite unassigned pending outcome of Arlington space studies*
Several units have requested replacement furniture, or new furniture, be added to public/common areas of buildings using unit resources

Policy/Guideline –
- Public/common spaces in buildings are not assigned to a particular unit
- Should units be allowed to spend resources to support improvements in building public/common spaces?
- If allowed, how will the long-term maintenance and replacement costs be handled?

Funding Discussion

Issues
- Capital projects – project FF&E funds pay for the initial purchase of lounge furniture and collaborative use furniture in public/common areas of a building
- State doesn’t provide on-going maintenance reserve funds to replace furniture over time
- Need to determine funding model for adding/replacing furniture as needed in the public/common spaces in our E&G buildings, or doing finish updates when needed

SAC has no objection to units contributing to furniture costs for buildings that may need more immediate attention and agrees that longer term process for funding updates is needed – Facilities to develop process/potential funding model for future discussion
PUBLIC/COMMON SPACE - EXAMPLES OF AREAS IN NEW OR RECENTLY RENOVATED BLDGS

Exploratory Hall – Informal learning/collaboration area adjacent to lower level classrooms

Innovation Hall – Informal learning/collaboration area adjacent to 3rd floor classrooms

Nguyen Engineering Building – Informal learning/collaboration area adjacent to 1st floor classrooms
PUBLIC/COMMON SPACE - EXAMPLES OF AREAS IN OLDER E&G BUILDINGS

Enterprise Hall – Areas adjacent to classrooms on lower level and 1st floors

- Fixed bench seating offers no opportunity for collaboration/no access to power
- Tables from surplus are in the spaces that don't comply with egress code design
- Tables borrowed from adjacent classrooms and brought into open areas for laptop/collaboration use (creates issues for scheduled classes that end up without enough tables for seat count)
- Lighting improvements needed in some areas

Mason Hall – Area adjacent to classrooms on lower level

- Only two benches available for (4) classrooms that have a combined seat count of 176