

Richland County

Campus Reconfiguration Committee

September 13, 2023

The Richland County Campus Reconfiguration Committee convened on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 in person and via WebEx on the UW-Platteville Richland campus.

Committee members present included County Board Supervisors Marty Brewer, Richard McKee, Gary Manning, Ingrid Glasbrenner, David Turk, Bob Frank, Steve Williamson, and Julie Fleming. Supervisor Linda Gentes was absent.

Chair Turk called the meeting to order at 6:56 PM.

Clerk Kalish confirmed the meeting had been properly noticed.

Motion by Manning second by Glasbrenner to approve the agenda. Motion carried and agenda declared approved.

Motion by McKee second by Williamson to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2023. Motion carried and the August 15, 2023 minutes declared approved.

Discussion & Possible Action - Removal Of Trees On Campus: Administrator Pesch noted the preferred way to move forward with the removal of trees on campus was to advertise for services and to have the wood removed serve as payment for the removal. Motion by Brewer second by Manning to proceed with the solicitation of services to remove the trees from campus. Motion carried.

Discussion & Possible Action - Vendors For Campus Facilities Assessment: Administrator Pesch noted that Consultant Hochkammer has been in contact with various vendors that provide facility assessment services. Hochkammer noted that he will be walking through the campus buildings on 9/14/2023 with a company that provides comprehensive facility assessment services. Hochkammer noted that at this point, everything will be looked at, all options are on the table, and he would report his findings to the committee at the next meeting. No action taken on this agenda item.

Discussion & Possible Action - Transfer Of Education Standing Committee Duties To The Public Works Standing Committee: Administrator Pesch stated that increased oversight of the buildings on campus may be needed and feels this oversight aligns more closely with duties performed by the Public Works Standing Committee. Motion by Manning second by McKee to transfer duties regarding the oversight of the buildings on campus from the Education Standing Committee to the Public Works Standing Committee. Motion carried.

Discussion & Possible Action – Prioritization Of Campus Winterization Needs: Administrator Pesch questioned how the buildings should be prepared for the upcoming winter. Pesch stated there are still many unknowns involving the campus and that the proposed facilities assessment(s) may help in determining if winterization of buildings is needed or if it is better to maintain them as they are now. Consultant Hochkammer noted that a staff member does a daily walk-through of all buildings on site. Turk stated that a facilities assessment would be helpful in determining needs and should be considered before taking the next steps. No action taken on this agenda item.

Discussion & Possible Action – Reconfiguration Proposal Submittal Process: Administrator Pesch stated an established proposal submittal process is still a work in progress and that more information is needed before a formal process can be established. No action taken on this agenda item.

Reports – Status Of The Condition Of The UW Campus: Attorney Windle confirmed that the Richland County has no control over the facilities and that uses of it are still determined by UW System at the present moment.

Next meeting date set for October 24, 2023 at 6 PM in the Banquet Room of the Phoenix Center

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located in Richland Center. Brewer noted that the existence of the Campus Reconfiguration Committee is significant.

Future agenda items were requested as follows:

Report: Update on status of the UW Campus

Report: Removal of trees

Report: Facility assessment findings

Motion by Manning second by Frank to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM.



Derek S. Kalish

Richland County Clerk