

**MINUTES
MEETING OF THE
BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

University of Connecticut
Lewis B. Rome Commons Ballroom
Storrs, Connecticut
December 2, 2015

TRUSTEES: Chuck Bunnell (*via Telephone*), Richard Carbray, Andrea Dennis-Lavigne (*via Telephone*), Donny Marshall, and Thomas Ritter

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Francis Archambault

STAFF PRESENT: Alan Calandro, Thomas Callahan, Debbie Carone, Robert Corbett, Laura Cruickshank, Elaine Dumas, Michael Jednak, Scott Jordan, Matthew Larson, Michael Makuch, Patrick Nevins, Richard Orr, Bhupen Patel, Rachel Rubin, Michael Schrier, Jack Sullivan, Tom Trutter, Beverly Wood and Reka Wrynn

UNIVERSITY SENATE MEMBER PRESENT: Elizabeth Jockusch

Committee Chairman Thomas Ritter convened the meeting of the Buildings, Grounds and Environment (BGE) Committee at 10:36 a.m. in the Lewis B. Rome Commons Ballroom on the University of Connecticut campus in Storrs, Connecticut.

On a motion by Trustee Carbray and seconded by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne, agenda *Item #1, Minutes of the Buildings, Grounds and Environment Committee meeting of September 18, 2015* were approved as circulated.

Chairman Ritter directed the committee to agenda *Item #2, Waiver for LEED Requirement for the UCH New Construction and Renovation – Clinic “C” Building Renovation*. Mr. Ritter stated that he had been assured that this waiver was in compliance with State law. On a motion by Trustee Carbray and seconded by Trustee Bunnell the item was approved as circulated.

Laura Cruickshank, University Architect and Master Planner, provided a PowerPoint presentation of the *University Master Plan – The First Ten Years*.

Trustee Carbray updated the committee on the work of the CMOC Taskforce stating that the taskforce is following up on the statutory requirements of the Construction Management Oversight Committee (CMOC). The taskforce met prior to the BGE Committee meeting and he reported that approximately 90% of the group’s work has been completed. He confirmed that he is working with Bhupen Patel, Director of Construction Assurance, on a regular basis. The taskforce is determining the frequency necessary for the group to meet in the future. In addition,

he confirmed that the group is working collaboratively and efficiently now that policies and procedures are in place. An oral taskforce report will be given to the members of BGE at each meeting.

Mr. Patel detailed agenda ***Item #4, December 2015 Quarterly Report on Construction Performance Reported by the Office of Construction Assurance.***

Ms. Cruickshank provided an update on agenda ***Item #5, Operational and Organizational Activities, and Improvements*** for the Planning, Architectural and Engineering Services office. Mr. Larson updated the committee on the ***Operational and Organizational Activities, and Improvements*** for the Capital Project and Contract Administration office.

Ms. Cruickshank introduced agenda ***Item #6, Status of Code Correction Projects*** and stated that the reports had been distributed and she was available to answer questions as needed. She then provided a brief update, in the form of a PowerPoint presentation, of the Storrs based construction and renovation projects. Louis Gaedt, Construction Engineer, provided a video presentation of the Monteith renovations which were obtained using a Go-Pro camera.

Thomas Trutter, UConn Health, Associate Vice President for Campus Planning, Design and Construction, provided a brief overview and update in the form of a PowerPoint presentation on the BioScience Connecticut projects.

Mr. Ritter informed the committee that Thomas Callahan, Associate Vice President for Infrastructure Planning and Strategic Project Management, was retiring from the University. He and the committee members thanked Mr. Callahan for his years of service to the University and wished him well in the future.

On a motion by Trustee Dennis-Lavigne and seconded by Trustee Carbray the committee voted to go into Executive Session at 12:06 p.m. to discuss preliminary drafts and notes that the University has determined that the public interest in withholding such documents clearly outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

Trustees Participating: Chuck Bunnell (*via Telephone*), Richard Carbray, Andrea Dennis-Lavigne (*via Telephone*), Donny Marshall, and Thomas Ritter

Board of Directors Participating: Francis Archambault

University Staff Present: Rachel Rubin, Scott Jordan, Rich Orr, Mike Kirk, Tom Callahan, Patrick Nevins, Mike Jednak and Debbie Carone

At 12:21 p.m. the Executive Session ended and there being no additional agenda items the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Committee Chairman Ritter and seconded by Trustee Carbray.

Respectfully submitted,

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