

**University of Washington**  
**Faculty Council on University Facilities and Services**  
Thursday, 11 May 2006  
36 Gerberding Hall

Chair Schaufelberger called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

**Meeting Synopsis:**

1. Approval of agenda, approval of minutes
2. Sound Transit Update (Richard Chapman)
3. 2007-2009 Capital Budget Request (Marilyn Cox)
4. New Business

**1. Announcements, Agenda, Minutes**

The May 11, 2006 meeting agenda was amended to remove the Potential Medal of Honor Memorial Site item and approved.

The April 13, 2006 minutes were approved.

**2. Sound Transit Update (Richard Chapman)**

Chapman distributed copies of the ST North Link Light Rail handout, showing the proposed Capital Hill to University (Phase 1) and University to Northgate (Phase 2) routes. The University Link is a 3.15 miles extension from Westlake, at a cost of \$1.7 billion, with a station on Capital Hill. The First Hill Station was removed from the project out and replaced with a bus link. The University Station is the interim terminal until funding is available to continue service to Northgate. On April 7, 2006, ST issued the North Link Final SEIS with approval from the Federal Transit Administration. Phase 1 design is scheduled from 2007-08, with mobilization at University Station in late 2008 or early 2009, tunneling south towards Capital Hill. The University's intent is to limit construction time on campus, which is estimated to take five and a half years. Revenue service from the University Station is expected to begin in late 2015 or early 2016. During construction, 600 parking stalls would be displaced at Husky Stadium, with 100 of these stalls displaced permanently. Over the 2.5 – 3 years excavation period, a large number of trucks would be hauling excavation spoils offsite, impacting Intercollegiate Athletics, Medical Center and various venues. Boring machines would likely produce more vibration than the actual trains, but the University would be given early warning to prepare adequately for impacts. The University is trying to negotiate a Master Implementation Agreement to supplement, mitigate and eliminate ST impact and address liquidated damages issues should UW projects be disadvantaged. The Master Implementation Agreement will spell out excavation time frame; vibration and EMI limits, construction activities during football games/commencement/convocation and two other unnamed occasions. There will be no exclusion in the agreement due to acts of God or terrorists. Wording in agreement is 95-98% agreed, but parties are still far apart on liquidated damages amounts. Chapman reviewed location of the station, tunnel crossover area and two access points, one at the station, a second at the Triangle Garage connected by underground tunnel access. A potential unfunded third access north of NE Pacific Place and the Burke-Gilman Trail has been identified. The construction/lay down site would occupy six acres west/southwest of Husky Stadium. The 600 displaced parking stalls will be relocated on top of the Triangle Garage and at a temporary lot between the existing parking lot and Montlake Cut, pending a special variance from the City. Construction site access would be via the north, south and east sides. During the peak excavation period, 110-130

truck roundtrips are expected daily. Phase 2 of the North Link Light Rail project will involve a separate EIS negotiation as ST does not have authority over University land. Floating slabs will be installed in the underground tunnel across campus to minimize vibrations and train speed will be limited to 30 mph. A high level of interaction has taken place with the sciences/physics/engineering populations to keep the campus informed of the North Link Light Rail project. Campus vicinity bus routes would not change in relations to University Station if such change is disadvantageous to the University. Once the new Safeco leadership announced plans to sell their properties in the University District, Light Rail has resurrected their original Brooklyn Station plan.

**Action Taken:** Council recommended routing construction traffic to the perimeter road east of athletic facilities to avoid traffic congestion on Montlake Blvd. Barging excavation spoils offsite was also recommended.

### **3. 2007-2009 Capital Budget Request (Marilyn Cox)**

Cox handed out a discussion draft of the University of Washington 2007-2017 Capital Budget Plan and Funding Sources. Items on the "A List" for 2007-09 either have specific funding agreements in place or are self funded. Items on the "B List" resulted mostly from the Spring Resource Meeting. Minors will be paid for with local funds. Cox briefly reviewed the "A List" Major Projects, including ST vibrations testing on Interdisciplinary Academic Bldg. 2, Restore the Core Program, UW Tacoma Assembly Hall, H-Wing Restoration, C&C Data Center, Gould Hall, Tacoma/Bothell Phase 3, etc. Student Services and Classroom Improvements include staff training to address the change from the '90's 80% face to face interactions to the current 80% cyber interactions; and another group of classroom improvements to convert some of the low usage medium to large (60-80 seats) classrooms to 2-35 seats classrooms. As class sizes fluctuate, trends/prime time/core area data will be consulted. Cox said the 2009-2011 state funds request of \$80 million is an all time low.

The last two pages titled 2005-07/2007-09 Capital Reserves are the "checkbook" pages which captured all anticipated capital needs and reflected a funding shortfall of \$120 million.

The 2007-09 Capital Budget Requests will be discussed with the Board of Regents as an information item in June, and will be brought to the Board for action at the July meeting. The University wants to continue discussion with the legislature to consider alternative options for raising capital funds since the current capital funding mechanism is woefully inadequate. Cox stated that capital funding is formula driven in Ohio and funded with student fees in Illinois. Until other options are available, the current goal is to obtain full funding of "A" list items and partial funding of "B" list items. With seven currently under-funded state universities, why would the state consider building an eighth?

**Action:** Cox will return to the Council in the fall with budget updates.

### **4. New Business**

Schaufelberger announced that this is the last meeting for the 2005 academic year and his last meeting as chair of this council. Balick will replace Schaufelberger as council chair beginning fall quarter.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

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Present: Faculty members: Schaufelberger, Berry, Chizech, Gates, Heerwagen,  
Rorabaugh, Treser  
President's designee: Chapman  
Other ex officio members: Chamberlin, Schoen, Wallace

Absent: Faculty members: Balick, Little, Pace  
Ex-officio members: Fales, Lovell

Guests: Ann Eskridge, Manager, Property and Transport Services, Facilities Services;  
Jon Hooper, Facilities Manager, Central and Outside Maintenance Zones,  
Facilities Services; Chip Lydum, Associate Athletic Director, Facilities and  
Events, Intercollegiate Athletics; Colleen Pike, Director, Capital and Space  
Planning Office; Steve Tatge, Project Manager, Capital Projects Office.