

University of Washington
Faculty Council on Student Affairs
1:30-3:00 p.m., December 4, 2012
303 HUB

Meeting Synopsis:

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of minutes from November 6, 2012
3. Chair's report
4. ASUW/GPSS report
5. HUB renovation process and tour of the new facilities
6. Adjourn

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Brian Fabien at 1:33 p.m.

2. Approval of minutes from November 6, 2012

Minutes from the November 6th FCSA meeting were approved as written.

3. Report from the Chair

Fabien informed of a search committee to find a new Vice Provost for Student Life. Current Vice Provost Eric Godfrey will serve until his replacement is chosen, and Fabien will serve on the committee to identify Godfrey's successor. No updates yet on the Student Conduct Code.

4. ASUW/GPSS report

GPSS representative Will Scott informed of GPSS efforts preparing for the Washington State Legislative session. Fabien noted students concern on student course fees. GPSS is investigating state vs. self-supporting programs, as an increasing number of students are in self-supporting programs, and it was unclear how such programs are switching to self-supporting. This is confusing for students, as they may be taking the same program, but pay different fees. The Provost Advisory Committee for Students is investigating such costs and hopes to have input on such fee increases.

5. HUB renovation process and tour of the new facilities

Lincoln Johnson welcomed the Council to the renovated HUB, which opened on September 10th, 2012. Johnson emphasized the role of student leaders in driving together this project. He gave a background on conversations for the renovation which began in 1995, with the Student Fee Committee providing \$200,000 for a consultant to conceptualize what they would like to see in the HUB in 1997. The consultant's 35 hours of discussion with a broad spectrum of stakeholders resulted in plans for this new HUB. The building is nearly the same size as the old building, though space was removed from the middle of the buildings to create the atrium, and the north side of the building was expanded. The renovation was handled by Perkins Will Construction for a total cost of \$120 million total cost, 80% of which is paid by student fees, around \$70 per student per quarter.

The students had broad goals of increasing sense of community, and making the building a more welcoming center for students. While Johnson's office was the steward of this project, he emphasized the role of students in funding and guiding this project, which took 27 months. Plans were changed from an extravagant, modern and expensive design, to preserve historic parts of building and utilize existing beams and structures. Johnson noted that the building's two ballrooms and lyceum are completely booked through commencement, which generates revenue for HUB operations.

The News Stand was the one element removed from the HUB, due to space and budgetary issues. FIUTS, the Omsbudsman, Fraternity/Sorority life, ASUW and GPSS are still housed within the HUB, and the bowling alley is not yet operational due to technological issues. The Q Center is one new addition to the HUB. Not much empty space remains in the HUB, under 2,000 ft² within two remaining spots. The lower downstairs area provides 42 spaces for student organizations. Though original plans were to remove this space, student groups pressed to keep their offices in the HUB, and an additional 10 spaces were created. Discussion followed on concern of student groups who do not have any space, and Johnson clarified that most student groups do not use their spaces for operations, rather for storing items, and that it would be impossible to respond to needs of space for all 750 student groups on campus.

Meeting space within the HUB is offered to many different organizations, which is an important revenue mechanism for the building. Off-campus organizations pay much higher rates than a department, student or student government rate however such use has decreased after 2001. Discussion followed on how space use is being monitored within the building. The building is 100-200% busier than prior to the remodel, with heavy use during evenings following afternoon lulls. Large spaces have much more use than was anticipated, similarly to large campus spaces on campus. Potential occupation rates were then discussed for different events, concerts and otherwise. The Council then took a tour of the building.

6. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:11 p.m. by Chair Fabien.

Minutes by Jay Freistadt, Faculty Council Support Analyst, jayf@u.washington.edu

Present: **Faculty:** Fabien (Chair), Treser, Svircev, Burke, Ezeonwu, Laws,
 President's Designee: Johnson
 Ex-Officio Reps: Scott, Christenberry

Absent: **Faculty:** Berninger, Schwartz
 Ex-Officio Reps: Kutz, Jones Wiles,