

MEETING REPORT – STUDENT SERVICES

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Facilities Master Plan Update

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MEETING DATE 7 February 2019, 3:00 to 4:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION Park Hall 301
DISTRIBUTION Attendees

ATTENDING OF

Victoria Furlong Assistant Vice President of Finance and Budget

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Jackie Wallace Assistant Director, Career Services

Eric Frans Career Coach

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SUMMARY

Summary of Discussion

- Team discussion with Kristi Eck before Student Services representatives arrived.
 - There are 208 student clubs and organizations.
 - Sometimes the groups have difficulty scheduling meeting spaces. There is a dance club that practices two hours per day, seven days a week, and there are limited locations available.
 - Offices for student groups are in the Point, a space in the Marano Campus Center. They require storage space; currently using office space for storage. Additional office space is needed.
 - International Education is currently in Sheldon Hall's basement; move to Marano.
 - Mental Health Services conducts drop-in sessions in residence halls.

Career Services and Experiential Courses and Engaged Learning (EXCEL)

- The Compass suite in Marano is home to Career Services and EXCEL. Students find internships, coops, and service-learning opportunities through EXCEL.
- Career Services is an industry-centric model with specialized career coaches. An additional professional coach is needed for health care fields. A full-time administrative assistant to greet people at the reception desk is needed. Often the desk is empty when students come to the center.

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- There are many student employees and graduate assistants using workstations in the Compass suite.
 The Compass is reportedly at-capacity with no space for additional student workers. During peak times, such as Orientation, the Compass is overcrowded, and services cannot be delivered efficiently.
- There are two classrooms adjacent to the Compass, dedicated for use by Career Services and Excel. These classrooms are not scheduled by the Registrar.
- The Digital Dirt Team helps students clean-up their online presence, needs access to a small, private consultation room. Could use a space for taking student photos.
- Career Services requires a conference room with teleconferencing technology.
- Storage is a challenge in the Compass. Office 145S is being used to store orientation supplies, career fair materials, and signs.
- The central bullpen area of the Compass is reportedly underutilized. Space could be reclaimed here to meet some functional needs.
- The gym is used for the Career Fair; can accommodate up to 95 companies. Could use a larger venue.

Undergraduate Admissions

- Undergraduate Admissions is in Sheldon Hall, which works well. The historical building makes a good first impression. The department moved there from Culkin Hall in 2007.
- Additional offices are needed. Many employees share offices, which presents problems for confidentiality.
- A conference room was converted into office space. A conference room should be provided.
- Six to ten student workers share a workspace in the kitchenette/breakroom/workroom area. A dedicated work area is needed.
- There is limited storage within the Admissions suite. They use Sheldon 118, a former hotel room.
- There is not sufficient meeting space within the Admissions suite.
- Large events, like open houses and admitted student days, are held in the arena in Marano (1,000 to 2,000 visitors at events). The Sheldon ballroom is not big enough.
- The 80-seat historic classroom, Sheldon 222, is used for presentations.
- It is not necessary to locate Graduate Studies adjacent to Admissions, though there could be a benefit to exposing incoming students to the five-year programs available.

Student Accounts and Financial Aid (Culkin Hall)

- Student Accounts was recently renovated. There are three windows at a service counter, three private
 offices, and adequate waiting space. Most student payments occur online so there are few busy
 times. Service counter activity mostly students picking up pay checks.
- Staff report the breakroom may be larger than it needs to be.
- Student Accounts does not have a dedicated conference room, but they have been able to use conference rooms in Culkin when needed. The current office allocation is adequate.
- Student Accounts reportedly has some surplus space, which Career Services would like to have.
- Financial Aid is on the second floor of Culkin. The staff often go back and forth to Student Accounts and the Registrar.
- It would be ideal to have these three offices on the first floor as part of a One-Stop Service Center, but departments report to three different vice presidents. Would have three to five cross-trained specialists.
- No additional staff are expected in Student Accounts or Financial Aid.



Additional Discussion

- Academic Deans should be moved from Culkin into areas with their schools. Potentially move them into large empty offices in Shineman.
- The Research Foundation could move to the fourth floor of Sheldon and Extended Learning could move to the third floor of Sheldon if the classrooms there are underutilized.
- Seven new classrooms recently came online in Wilber Hall.
- Lanigan, Mahar, and Penfield need air-conditioning.
- Graphic Arts and Communication are moving out of Lanigan to Hewitt.
- Assume only limited excavation can occur between Lanigan and Penfield because of bedrock. The area will most likely not support a full basement for mechanical equipment.

Action Items

Tasks to be Completed	Responsible	Status
Find out if New Vision program (high school students) can move to Mackin Hall from Sheldon Hall.		Pending

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