December 21, 2009

To: Campus Planning Committee:

Dr. Eduardo Ochoa, Provost, Chief Academic Officer
Mr. Laurence Furukawa-Schlereth, Vice President for Administration and Finance, Chief Financial Officer
Dr. Nate Johnson, Senior Director for Police and Parking Services, Chief of Police
Mr. Christopher Dinno, Senior Director for Facilities Management
Mr. Rick Ludmerer, Senior Director for Risk Management
Ms. Stephanie Giordano, Principal University Planner, Chancellor’s Office (absent)
Mr. Matthew Lopez-Phillips, Interim Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management
Dr. Susan Moulton, Chair, Academic Senate (absent)
Dr. John Wingard, Chair-Elect, Academic Senate (absent)
Dr. Scott Severson, Faculty Representative, Physics and Astronomy
Ms. Jann Nunn, Faculty Representative, Art and Art History
Ms. Elizabeth Chelini, Staff Representative
Ms. Carol Ingerman, Director of Campus Planning
Ms. Cameron Baxter, Student Representative, ASI (absent)
Mr. Randy Paliwoda, Student Representative, ASI (absent)
Mr. Steve Kwok, Campus Consulting Architect (absent)
Mr. Eric Carlson, Community Member (absent)
Mr. Bill Fusco, Senior Director for Intercollegiate Athletics, Guest
Mr. Dan Condron, Vice President for University Affairs
Dr. Daniel Crocker, Guest Presenter, FRLO Greenhouse Project

From: Dr. Ruben Armiñana,
President

Subject: Minutes from the Campus Planning Committee Meeting December 14, 2009
11:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m., Sue Jameson Meeting Room (Stevenson Hall)

Review and Approval of Facilities for Research on Living Organisms and Greenhouse

Christopher Dinno, Senior Director for Facilities Management presented a concept rendering for the proposed relocation of one of the existing Greenhouses on campus and the addition of a scientifically termed Head House and a Small Living Organism Facility. The design of the Head House and Small Living Organism Facility would be consistent with the existing facilities.
Dr. Richard Whitkus, Department Chair of Biology informed committee members that the funding for this project is contingent upon receiving grant funding through the National Science Foundation (NSF) that the School of Science and Technology applied for in August 2009. Whitkus explained that this project has several components which will benefit research efforts to improve and enhance the Biology Department.

Whitkus informed committee members that the existing middle greenhouse should be reoriented to an east-west axis to improve conditions necessary for the propagation of plants. All existing greenhouses are in need of new infrastructure which includes upgrading the existing temperature controllers, lighting and humidity controllers. To support the revitalization of the greenhouses, a new Head House will be constructed which will provide an outdoor covered area for plant preparation and potting, and interior spaces for potting plants, storage, benches, an office and a restroom facility.

An addition of a Small Living Organism Facility is also being proposed. President Armiñana inquired about the size of the animals that would be housed in the facility. Whitkus responded animals smaller than an elephant seal. Whitkus informed members that this facility is necessary as when the greenhouses were relocated in 2004 due to the Recreation Center Construction, the Small Living Organism Facility was not replaced and while Darwin Hall has a cold room, it is not sufficient for the needs of the department. The proposed facility would restore the department’s research capacity. The facility will include an observation space, sink area, and storage spaces.

Nate Johnson, Senior Director for Police and Parking Services/Chief of Police inquired about the level of security that the Small Living Organism Facility would have. Whitkus responded that the facility would be occupied by two people at all times when in use and access to the facility would be limited to only those who are licensed to obtain the small animals. Elizabeth Chellini inquired about vehicle and pedestrian traffic on Laurel Drive. Dinno responded that there is a fair amount of westbound traffic in the morning but it decreases by mid day. Dr. Scott Severson, Faculty Representative inquired about the timing of the project from start to finish. Whitkus replied that the grant was applied for in August 2009 and it may be two years before funding is approved. Severson inquired about how long small animals would be kept in the facility to which Whitkus replied less than 24 hours.

Action Item: The committee unanimously approved the FRLO Greenhouse Project

**Review and Approval of Holocaust Memorial Signage Graphics and Stanchion**

Christopher Dinno presented a graphic concept rendering for the permanent Holocaust and Genocide Memorial Sign. The graphics are in keeping with the approved campus standard “Butterfly Garden” sign along Copeland Creek adjacent to the Holocaust and Genocide Memorial site. The permanent signage will be placed adjacent to the site where the temporary signage was placed during the dedication. The approved standard design includes
a porcelain enamel full color graphic, ADA specific height and angle of placement, concrete stanchion design, the approved Sonoma State University logo and a border of blue surrounding the enamel sign.

President Armiñana inquired about the nomenclature of the Pol Pot Regime which is shown in parenthesis under the Cambodian Genocide. President Armiñana noted that all other holocausts and genocides on the sign do not have any such reference. Committee members did not know if this genocide is commonly referenced and accepted as such. Jan Nunn, Faculty Representative informed committee members that she would research and confirm with Christopher Dinno the accuracy of how it is commonly referenced. Dr. Eduardo Ochoa, Provost, inquired about donors being listed on the signage under the heading of “Significant Donors”. Ochoa expressed his concern that term significant is usually reserved for very large contributions and the size of this project does not fit into that category. Instead, he expressed that the terms “Principal Donors” or “Major Donors” would be better suited.

Scott Severson, Faculty Representative inquired about the color scheme chosen for the sign. Jan Nunn explained that the background color of black was chosen to match the black granite base of the memorial. Severson asked for clarification on what the sign standard is. Dinno referenced the approved Butterfly Garden sign and directed members to this item in their packet while he explained that all signs of this type must have the University Logo at the top middle of the sign and the blue color border surrounding the enamel sign. The stanchion design and concrete color are standardized items also. Signage content will be different for each project.

**Action Item:** Committee unanimously approved the signage pending verification on the nomenclature of the Cambodian Genocide with the reference to the Pol Pot Regime in parenthesis and changing “Significant Donors” to read “Principal Donors” or “Major Donors”.

**Naming Opportunity for the North Entrance Vehicle Bridge**

Larry Furukawa-Sehlereth informed members that he and many others within the campus community would like to honor the late Bruce Walker, Former Senior Director of Capital Planning, Design and Construction by naming the north entrance vehicular bridge after Bruce Walker. Schlereth informed members that the University Policy, *Naming of University Facilities* requires that the person for whom the facility is being named after be deceased for a minimum of two years. Schlereth informed members that Bruce Walker passed away in November 2005.

Schlereth highlighted some of the significant contributions Walker made to the campus including the coordination of the construction of the Schulz Information Center, coordination of the design and construction of Beaujolais and Sauvignon Villages, the Recreation Center, Green Music Center Complex, and the renovations of both Darwin Hall and Salazar Hall all of which have enhanced the physical appearance of the campus through modernized facilities. The north vehicular bridge design was influenced by Walker and would stand to
symbolize the architectural transformation that began when Walker was hired at Sonoma State University. Christopher Dinno and Eduardo Ochoa seconded the motion set forth by Schlereth. Dinno and Ingerman will organize a sub-committee on behalf of President Armiñana to fulfill the University Policy.

Action Item: Committee unanimously approved the creation of the committee for the naming of the North Entrance Vehicle Bridge in Honor of Bruce Walker.

**Naming Opportunities for Community Buildings in Beaujolais and Tuscany Villages**

Christopher Dinno informed members that Tim Tiemens, Director of Housing proposed the naming of the Community Buildings in both Beaujolais and Tuscany Villages. Dinno presented the following names to the committee:

**Beaujolais**
Mairie (pronounced “may ree”) Beaujolais which translates from French to English to mean “the meeting center”

**Tuscany**
Tuscany Palazzo (pronounced “pa-lat’-so) which translates from Italian to English to mean “Tuscany’s grand public building”

Larry Furukawa-Schlereth informed members that in the past, members of Campus Planning Committee have approved building names in the Residential Community. Eduardo Ochoa expressed concern over naming the Community Building in Tuscany “Palazzo” as it indicates a grand public building and given the nature of the economic crisis the California State University is experiencing and the overall negative impact on Sonoma State University, this name creates the perception that the campus is building lavish buildings and yet claims to be in times of economic turmoil.

President Armiñana expressed concerns on the naming of the Community Building in Beaujolais as “Mairie” as the pronunciation is very similar to the English name “Marie” and users of the building might inquire as to what person named Marie it is named after.

Committee members discussed the importance of naming the buildings but requested Tim Tiemens to research alternative names for both buildings.

Action Item: Committee members unanimously denied granting approval of the names presented for both Community Buildings.

**Naming Opportunity for the Tennis Courts**
Matthew Lopez-Phillips, Interim Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management requested of President Armiñana that a naming opportunity for the Tennis Courts be placed on the agenda for review and action. President Armiñana granted approval.

Lopez-Phillips inquired as to the status of naming the Tennis Courts after Dr. Rand Link, Former Vice President for Student Affairs who has been deceased for three years. President Armiñana informed members that Link was a long term employee who served the campus in a variety of capacities throughout his long term service to Sonoma State University and would like to move forward with naming the Tennis Courts to honor Link. Committee members agreed that this would be an appropriate naming since Link was instrumental in the official mascot change in 2002 for the Athletics Department. Christopher Dinno and Carol Ingerman will organize a sub-committee on behalf of President Armiñana to fulfill the University Policy.

Action Item: Committee unanimously approved the creation of the committee for the Tennis Courts in Honor of Dr. Rand Link.

Green Music Center Naming Opportunities

None were identified at this time.