

University Memorial Center Board Minutes

Tuesday November 12th, 2013

UMC 245- 5:30 pm

I. Call to Order 5:33pm

II. Approvals

- a. Tuesday November 5th, 2013 Minutes
- b. Tuesday November 12th, 2013 Agenda
 - i. *Minutes and agenda bundled and approved by acclimation*

III. Open Hearing - none

IV. Chair's Report

a. Veterans' Day Ceremony recap

Veteran's day ceremony went very well; keynote speaker was great. Good turnout, Color Guard did a good job; Proclamation from the Gov's Office was renewed;

b. 60th Anniversary of the UMC recap

- i. *Tyler met chair of board from 1988; Friday Afternoon Club was successful; big line for food and music*

c. Space Allocation Committee recommendation

- i. *Decided that everyone under 25% marker was put on notice; below 15% were called in and had to explain why there were low numbers; 3 groups didn't show up and lost their space. 2 groups (PSO, CoPirg) placed on probation. CoPirg is sharing room with Creative Writing Society... Offered 3 groups new space; turned down 6 groups that did apply; turned down CU-EMS request for their own space. Why were certain groups turned down? Issue of space and willingness to share office space. Vote: to accept the space allocations committee's recommendation moved - called to question and approved by acclamation*

d. Wi-fi Lounge Renaming and Connection Renaming

- i. *In process of creating contest of sorts that's open to student body where people are able to put in ideas and then the Board will vote on the final approval. Ben: Are we still going to go and name other rooms in the UMC for Colorado veterans? Tyler:*

just relating to the wi-fi lounge. Kellie: Supportive of veteran inclusion, but more appropriate to make it more student based...since people have had such strong opinions. Ben: What do you mean? Kellie: About the name. Carlos: overall discussion about room discussion still needs to happen because we have like 20 rooms that we can add names to. What I recall is that the wi-fi lounge was an individual project and then the overall project would be another project. Contest idea isn't great. Shane:keep in mind that many things are named that commemorate veterans. We should keep in mind that this should be reflective of students. Debbie: not supportive of memorial aspect to drive other programs in the building. Ben: These things aren't mutually exclusive. Missions aren't incompatible. Kellie: come from military family, but would rather name something big after military rather than little wi-fi lounge. Wi-fi lounge should have a lighter name. Kelsey: more aligned with Ben on this one. Listen to student and what they have to say. Marco: agree more with what Kellie was saying. Efforts better put in different spaces. Used by multiple audiences, students, third parties. Wi-fi lounge exclusive used by students... IF we want to honor veterans, name things that are more meaningful and more impactful and will be seen by more people. Tyler: thought the general naming project and wi-fi lounge would be two different projects Ben: important concerns being addressed here that relate to theme. How can we make this a living memorial? We already have incongruously named space (Packer Grill)... Ben has motion has to come up with strategic way to determine name for spaces within the UMC. Kelsey motioned. DISCUSSION of THIS MOTION: Kellie: How far are we going to go with name? Are we gonna name every single thing in the UMC? What would that strategy entail? At a certain point, it has to be about the students. While

strategy is great, how far does it go? Mel: point of committee to address question of naming and the strategy. Ben: amends motion to create subcommittee Carlos: unless I'm wrong, not suggesting every room be named for veteran? Ben: just create standard operating procedure. Tyler: concern was that naming process is good. With wi-fi lounge, do we want different process or...? Ben: when we talked about this before...make one thing about naming process. Kelsey: good opportunity to think about how we want to approach this. Big picture kind of guy, so this is attractive to me in creating precedent. Willing to help see this to a conclusion. Anna: wi-fi lounge is informal place to relax. UMC serves dual purpose of being a comfortable spot but also a memorial. Incorporate formality/comfort into wi-fi lounge. Ben: not advocating for naming everything after veterans. Carlos: Whatever you decide to do, there is a university process for naming rooms, so we'll have to go through that process... Danielle: understand fun aspect and memorializing of space in UMC. Carlos: about 20 spaces eligible for renaming. There's usually a price (like sponsorship). We can discuss all of that is a committee is formed. Kelsey: if committee is formed, should someone be in charge of it? Kelsey called to question and vote was conducted: Danielle Yes, Isra Yes, Debbie Yes, Kelsey Yes, Mel Yes, Ben Yes, Javier Yes. Tyler Abstain. Debbie: editorialize that what students think is important 10 years ago doesn't make any diff to what students think is important today so we need to be as flexible as possible. Subcommittee makeup is: Ben, Tyler (chair), Mel, Kelsey, Kellie, Javier, Danielle & Carlos.

V. Director's Report

- a.** Ballroom renovation update
- b.** Met with architect and went over options. Pros and cons to all options.
One option to extend to north is doable but expensive and presents

operational challenges... 3'6" elevation difference, but we gain space that we would otherwise gain, but not might not be best or cheapest. Second option: take 381 and convert that into storage. Would need to create vestibule and storage space. Challenge is that it's on a different floor. Either way, it's going to cost us more. Talking to Finance Board, they were philosophically okay with increasing project fund if necessary, but no specific dollar amount was discussed. AC system for ballroom and building is also an issue. Water that goes to cooling building comes in at higher temp. than it should... air conditioning system may cost us more money also because of this. May need to go to Finance Board for more money for both AC and storage room. Won't have estimates on storage options until early December. Technically can go over 10% w/o getting in trouble assuming we get the funding.

c. Subway and Dominos contracts

- i.** *Contracts coming due soon. Bidding or contract renewal? Carlos and Robin would renegotiate leases, but keep both. Motion to renew lease by Shane (5 year max with two one-year renewal options); called to question and approved through acclamation.*

d. Budget process begins next week

- i.** *Budget process to begin next week and will be sent to Board at next meeting...Kelsey: worst case scenario? Where we get denied for both entities? Carlos: we do rely on multiple sources of funding, but majority of funding comes from student fees and self-generated funds. Kelsey: Across the board reductions? Or targeted? Carlos: Targeted. Other piece is 1% cut scenario that we have to submit. (about \$40,000 cut). Normally, we've already prepared budget because we can self-fund some things, but that's not necessarily the case this time because of the new timeline... Ballroom will be down, so with lost revenue, it'll be hard to predict the impact.*

VI. Program Council

- a. *Good weekend of events. Show went well and good ticket sales. Street Team Meeting on Wednesday. Thursday is show in the club again with international talent. Director Application is still open for a few more weeks. Planning comedy show in Macky*

VII. CU NightRide

- a. *Rides are doing well. Had blood borne pathogen training last Friday. Transported 338 clients Friday after Halloween. A lot of vehicles in shop getting repaired.*

VIII. Student Veteran's Association

- a. *Veteran's Ceremony went very well. Thanks to Tyler, Ben and Carlos... Other thing is that pregame event before Cal game. Food and live rock band and beer and big TVs.*

IX. Food Service

- a. *No report*

X. CU Gold

- a. *Conference went well. Good turnout and loved keynote speaker*

XI. Environmental Center

- a. *No report*

XII. CUSG

- a. *UGGS had lively discussion about grad student fee. Potential to increase by 50cent fee to raise travel grants for conferences for grad students.*

XIII. Feedback - none

XIV. Old Business - none

XV. New Business

- a. *Great food. Tyler: My stomach hurts. Ben: I can't do dairy, so stuff like this is awesome.*
- b. *Denied \$10,000 by Finance Board from SOR for GNR feasibility study, but we can pay for it out of UMC balance, but CUSG would pay for bathroom once UMC Board approves them. Incentivized as well that there would be need for money for Ballroom that Finance Board would support.*

The thinking is that CUSG would cover big dollar items if UMC covered small things. There was debate from both sides. Ben: Maybe you can help us understand. Will: By passing research funding, it puts Finance Board on record as supporting it in the future. Keegan: SOR is meant mostly for large investments like Glenn Miller Ballroom (\$500,000) renovation. SORE also takes care of salary overages and underages. Ben: Let's promise to pay for funding of this project. Tyler: If our best option isn't supported, we lose this money out of our pockets and we're on the hook for it. Will: sucks that this comes down to bureaucracy. Sorry that's the way it's come down to this. We don't want to fund these one-step-removed processes. Not trying to nickel and dime UMC for \$10,000. Keegan: this sets precedent of the purpose of Finance Board. Kelsey: couple of points: common to get cost shares. We make money as UMC but in future, what if other places that don't make money have to share the cost? Keegan: Rec Center paid for their own study.... Kellie: way for us to work out number that we would be guaranteed for bathroom? Other Finance Board rep: Can come for earmark that we put stipulations on, but not entirely certain that we would want to do that. Especially when UMC's fund balance is healthy, SORE is meant to be supplementary. Kellie: UMC put in new situation too. Will: Can come show how collaborative of an effort this is to an Finance Board meeting Shane: feasibility study is our responsibility. To say \$10,000 is down the drain isn't fair to say because at that point, we will have the study. Keegan SOR isn't automatically refunded. Ben: Walk us through your argument. Keegan: Without knowing how much this is going to cost, we can't invest in it in the beginning. We want to work on this together. Carlos: Appears that Finance Board got caught in the middle of this. We need to vote on whether to fund this with our balance. Debbie: I would like to make a motion that we spend \$10,000 from our fund balance for feasibility study. Approved by acclamation. Ben: Can we not amend our own budget? Carlos: not without Finance Board consent.

XVI. Adjournment 7:02pm

Robert's Rules

Motion (to approve...)

2nd

Call to Question

Acclimation (All in favor)

Any Objections?

No (Motion Passed)

Yes