Minutes

- Approved as submitted for 10/28/2019
- Approved with a change of date to 10/21/2019

Student Activity Fee Presentation – Sam Miller

- Student Affairs Facility Planning
  - Residence Hall construction projects are funded with reserves and self-liquidating debt
  - Dining hall renovation projects are funded with reserves generated by the meal plan
  - Debt service is needed for major building projects such as Campus Recreation and the University Center
  - $280 million in facility projects over the next 10 years (University Center, Bird, Intramural Fields, etc.)

- Debt service is still being paid, how long is left?
  - UC 1 is approximately 5 years and UC 2 is approximately 15 years
  - Refinance when possible to get better terms
  - CRC debt service was approved in 2005 even though building didn’t open until 2008

- Activity fee pays for multiple departments in Student Affairs

Debt Service Fees

- $12/semester for Debt Service 1
- $77/semester for Debt Service 2

Campus Activities – Jeffrey Hughes

- Laser counters at entrances that are fairly accurate
  - Does not count entrances through Einstein, Papa Johns, ICA, or loading dock
  - Helps to keep up with needs of furniture and carpet replacement
  - Chic-fil-a moving out did cause a decrease in traffic but activity and usage have gone up due to an increase in reservations

- Reasons for increase
  - RSO’s have become more active, particularly religious organizations
  - May schedule meetings for the whole year rather than just 4 weeks at a time
- Created a priority reservation system to give RSO’s more flexibility with scheduling
- Create a quality environment for all guests with nice furniture and meeting rooms
- Meet with different groups to see what they would like to have
- Linda reserves spaces and reports on needs that can’t be met
- Grand room lighting project recently completed
- Door access is convenient and serves as a safety feature
  - Two more phases for door access – meeting with UPD and Emergency Services to discuss priorities
- Furniture for 1st floor renovation and public space replacement
- Flooring replaced on 1st floor, 3rd floor grand room lobby, theater, and bookstore
  - Replace in three sections
- SGA is moving to 1st floor so will need to renovate current SGA space and will give to RSO’s
  - Current space on 3rd floor that will move to 1st floor will be turned into RSO space
  - How do RSO’s secure space?
    - There is an application process and must complete a certain number of hours per week
- Theater lighting replacement to LED to reduce energy cost and better lighting
- Study/project room – students will huddle in a group and move furniture, would like to move Western Carolinian upstairs and divide the current space into 2 project rooms for students, working with IT on how to reserve
- AV upgrade in Theater and Multipurpose Room
- Looking at SGA renovations etc. and hearing from the Administration that the UC is going in one direction and hearing from students they want to go in another direction. ASG meeting at NCSU which opened a new Student Union. Would like to see a master plan for the UC with student input rather than having meetings with administration with more student input to see where it is going to be in the next 10 years. Create a more obvious plan. There is a lot of shuffling, SGA doesn’t necessarily need to move. I would like to see students paying more about what they are interested in.
  - We do talk with students, in our last session we had students in that group as well as faculty and staff. Want people who meet in the building on a regular basis. Also, talking with Karen Walker with RSO’s to see what they are hearing. Other buildings are telling students that they can’t meet in their building. Hearing from students who meet in this facility or possibly could meet in the building.
• About every 10 years we do a Master Plan update and then facilities do an update to fill in.
  o I feel if you are talking to the same students I feel it is a very siloed approach. I believe we need to take a deeper more intense approach in this building.
  o We will do a plan and then because of construction lead time students aren’t here when the project is complete.

• Campus Recreation & Wellness
  ▪ Building opened in 2008
  ▪ Purchased some equipment when still located in Reid Gym and then moved to the new building space
  ▪ Work really hard to maintain the building
  ▪ Primary funding does come from Student Activity Fee but generates revenue as well
  ▪ No charge for reservations
  ▪ Membership are open to Faculty/Staff and family members to generate revenue

• Maintenance
  ▪ Regular operations maintenance
  ▪ Leak last week damaged some flooring on court 2
  ▪ Regular wear and tear since 2008
    o Can’t match tile and carpet tile
    o Moved to concrete to help with this issue
  ▪ Personnel is a huge chunk of regular operational cost

• Collegiate recreation
  ▪ Where Bardo is located used to be a recreation field
  ▪ Club sports and Intramural sports uses the most
  ▪ Camp Lab gets a lot of usage
    ▪ Programming has grown and trying to put different configurations
    ▪ Lighting is over 30 years old
      ▪ 2013 was going to cost $1 million to replace
      ▪ Need to be moved out, need to reconfigure
  ▪ Old band practice field used to be a recreation field

• Norton Field
  ▪ Wetlands; club sports could practice but not host events because of the mud
  ▪ Opportunity to bring some dirt in from a parking lot to address some of the wet lands in Norton
  ▪ Using Scott and Walker demolition material to help build up as well
  ▪ Need a facility down there, we need restrooms and storage
  ▪ Pond will be filled in
  ▪ Four new fields
  ▪ Protects a Cherokee Heritage site
- **How much are the combined fields estimate?**
  - Last estimate in 2016 from feasibility study
    - **Turf fields**
      - Camp Lab with turf $4.2 million
      - Norton $1.088 million
    - **Sod**
      - Camp Lab $2.8 million
  - Have to light Norton to allow for later evening play will cost more than $1 million
  - Camp Lab still has to be replaced, will not shut down some times
- **What is the fee?**
  - $18/year will generate $162,000 for the year, assuming 9,000 enrollment
- **Money will be saved?**
  - Yes
- **How old was your roof when it failed?**
  - Approximately 15 years, should have lasted 20, $675,000
  - It’s the unexpected things that occur that impact reserves
  - Flooring issues caused by flooding has impacted the life of floors in Campus Rec
  - A treadmill costs $10,000
  - Facility plan and equipment replacement plan has helped a lot but eats through reserves
  - Sports equipment replacement, boats, balls, bats, etc.
  - If we want students to do something outside of the classroom. Students who engage outside of the classroom will come back if you have decent equipment and give them a good experience.
  - *Toured the University of North Florida, there Campus Rec center is brand new but our equipment rivals there’s. All of their equipment can be used by persons in a wheelchair.*
    - Some of ours do. If you ever hear that from a student, please let us know because we can adapt and accommodate.
  - Construction for Food Court project
    - $500,000, first estimate
    - $740,000, second estimate
    - $940,000 now, does not include furniture for conference room and open spaces which will be over $100,000
  - With Norton changes and being able to utilize dirt it saves money and may be able to do fields earlier
  - Construction costs are going up everywhere
  - $500,000 for the first floor I feel is appropriate, closer to $1 million is not
- **Parking Proposal**
  - Two years ago, the Board of Trustees approved four years of the plan but only approved two years of an increase
- The increase on the survey has not been approved it will go before the Board of Trustees in December
- Will bring a handout to the next year
  - Surveys are coming in well, 1,913 received as of this morning
  - One more open discussion tomorrow @ 5:00
  - Motion to adjourn and seconded, adjourned 5:08