



MOORPARK COLLEGE

Campus ENVIRONMENT Committee

NOTES

March 17, 2020, 1:00 – 2:00 pm, Skype Conference Call

Topic	Action
1. Welcome and Introductions, Membership – John Sinutko welcomed members and began the meeting via phone. A formal agenda will subsequently be emailed to active committee members, in the interest of saving paper during the current circumstances.	
2. Discussion of Previous Meeting Notes – the committee approved the notes from the February 18, 2020 meeting.	
3. Reports • Facilities Update – J. Sinutko Gym Renovation – final punch list items are still being completed for this project, daily, while the building is occupied. However, Grounds crews will be finished with plants and landscaping on the south side of the building in two more weeks. Outdoor Kinesiology Classroom – this project's second phase has been granted Board approval. A preconstruction meeting can hopefully be scheduled in the near future. Before the onset of COVID-19 cases, there was already an 8-week delay in ordering the appropriate materials from the manufacturer on the east coast. Therefore, a timely start and completion date for this project will be especially crucial now. Campus Wayfinding – one aspect of this project (the replacement of the marquee at the main campus entrance) has been submitted to the DSA. A second element involves gathering student input on the naming of internal paths and walkways. Facilities CAP has requested names that are a maximum of ten characters, and are not formal names of people. This request for name submissions will be added to the Academic Senate calendar as well. Snack Bar and Nearby Restroom Replacement – vendors are being sought for this project, but there may be a COVID-related delay in their response time due to amended office hours of several businesses.	



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<p>EATM Lion and Tiger Habitat – the lion habitat is currently under construction, but there are delays in getting the wiring galvanized, in addition to setbacks due to both rain and COVID-19 precautionary measures. The mesh installation for this project may fall similarly behind, as it must be installed by the manufacturer who is based in Arizona.</p> <p>Physical Science Mass Spectrometer – may take place during spring break, barring unforeseen delays.</p> <p>Performing Arts Main Stage Rigging Repair – may take place during spring break, barring unforeseen delays.</p> <p>Stadium Lighting Repair – a preconstruction meeting for this project took place on Thursday, February 20th. Work should begin in two weeks, barring any unforeseen delays.</p> <p>District Solar PV Paneling – work for this project so far is still scheduled to take place during summer break, due to the fact that only one parking lot can be closed at a time.</p>	
<p>4. Old Business – there has been no word from the VP's Council about the Nature's Finest additional gardening plan, most likely due to delays and precautions resulting from the novel coronavirus.</p> <p>In regard to further development of the campus sustainability plan, John will look for older versions that can be sent to James Polluck and Mikyla Maglente as a base for newer drafts.</p> <p>In the meantime, the Grounds Department would like to be able to test a line trimmer, hedge trimmer, chainsaw or blower that uses 36-volt lithium ion batteries and backpack chargers; these are becoming available for most existing grounds tools and equipment. The initial cost of a battery-powered tool is significantly higher than traditional gas-powered models – \$1300 compared with \$400 for the same basic line trimmer – but in demonstrations, the performance appears equal and noise pollution is also reduced. However, the carbon footprint created by battery disposal for these tools should also be taken into account. John and Steve will discuss this further in an upcoming budget and equipment meeting.</p>	
<p>5. New Business – the area has had 3.3 inches of rain over the past week and a half. This is still 4 or 5 inches below normal for the year to date, so drought conditions may occur later in the year. However, sufficient snow pack from the</p>	



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latest storm system may provide water that will last longer into the summer season. Brian Sherman reported that campus irrigation water usage for 2019 was 399,432 gallons, well within recommended guidelines. In addition, no irrigation at all has been needed during the month of March because of the recent rains. The Grounds Department is also gathering price quotes for upgraded irrigation controllers later this afternoon, so that even more water will be saved with the use of a more sophisticated system. It was suggested that the Hollywood Junipers currently on the north side of the Gym be removed and smaller hedges planted in their place, as they currently block most of the light from the newly installed windows; a formal drawing should be submitted to the next meeting for possibilities.	
6. Adjournment	

HANDOUTS
Meeting Agenda – February 18, 2020
Meeting Notes – January 21, 2020

MEETING CALENDAR 19-20 3 rd Tuesday at 1 p.m. , PCR
2019: 9/17/19, 10/15/19, 11/19/19
2020: 1/21/20, 2/18/20, 3/17/20, 4/21/20

RECOMMENDING STRUCTURE	CHARGE AND OR SOURCE OF AUTHORITY	MEMBERSHIP (Voluntary)
Campus Environment Committee <i>Subcommittee of Fiscal Planning Committee</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> monitors issues related to campus use, development, and environment recommends aesthetic enhancements to the campus encourages responsible environmental practices allocates the Campus Improvement Fund 	CHAIR(S): John Sinutko / Karin Johansson <u>2019 - 2020 MEMBERS</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mark Clements Katharine Boyd Steve Timmons Brian Sherman Eric Lopez