

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, NORTHRIDGE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING 12/13/2022 APPROVED BY COMMITTEE 2/14/2023

Sub. To Exec. Comm. 2/14/2023 Approved by Exec. Comm. _____

Sub. To Acad. Senate _____ Approved by Acad. Senate _____

POLICY ITEMS _____

Members Present:

Elizabeth Dabach, Nazaret Dermedjian, Ellis Godard, Gregory Knotts, Mirna Troncoso Sawyer, Christian Tedeschi, Holli Tonyan, Yarma Velazquez-Vargas

Excused: Callie Juarez (non-voting)

Guests:

Caroline Castillo (recording), Kathy Dabbour, Ken Rosenthal, Diane Stephens.

Call to Order

The virtual meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by Gregory Knotts.

1. Welcome and Introduction

The members were informed that ERC meetings are recorded for minutes-creation and note-taking purposes and are destroyed after that process is done.

2. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved with no objections.

Approval of the ERC Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2022

The minutes were approved with no objections. Gregory Knotts abstained from voting as he was not present at the November 8th meeting.

3. [Facilities Updates](#) – Ken Rosenthal and Diane Stephens 2:15 pm Time Certain

K. Rosenthal and D. Stephens presented on the Facilities Updates.

The projects in construction were presented:

- Sierra Annex – Sierra Annex is being built to eventually be able to renovate Sierra Hall, which is the largest classroom building. The first floor will have three entrances and contain lecture halls, classrooms, collaboration, and study spaces. The second

floor will have smaller classrooms and study spaces, and the third floor will have open study spaces, seminar rooms, and small classrooms. In addition, there will be a gun detection system and security cameras. It is scheduled to be finished in the fall of 2023.

- Library Waterproofing – The existing pavers are being replaced. There was hidden earthquake damage found during construction that is being repaired. The final phase is expected to begin at the end of January 2023.
- Plummer/Darby Intersection – This project is in the final stages, and then landscaping will be done.

The projects in design were presented:

- Equity Innovation Hub will provide additional engineering labs, student success space, and innovation space. The cost is \$62.7 million without group 2 and with group 2 is \$68-\$72 million.
- Affordable Student Housing, Buildings 22 & 23 – Were approved last May. The cost will be approximately \$70 million. There will be two buildings that will be podium structures, with the first floor containing classrooms and lounge spaces. In addition, the campus mailroom will be in Building 23.

The projects in planning were presented:

- Sierra Hall Renovation – Phase II of Sierra Annex will renovate and re-organize Sierra Hall into a modern Academic Building. The challenge is it is 11th on the list for funding at the CSU system level.
- USU Northridge Center Replacement – It will replace NRC with new Ballroom seating for 1,000. It will offer additional food options, indoor lounge seating, and the RISE Center.
- Basic Needs Suite – This will contain Matty’s Closet, a food pantry, and a community kitchen. The campus has contributed \$6 million to the project, but a new building for the Pub, Subway, and Wells Fargo is not yet.
- Library Fire Life Safety – This will be a study that will look at the fire safety of the building.
- Brown Center Equipment Replacement – This design would replace much mechanical equipment.
- MDF & SQ Emergency Power Replacement – This design would replace equipment.
- Better Understanding AA Spaces – This project would help colleges understand their space and how to use their existing space better.
- Hotel – This project is on hold due to COVID.

- Faculty & Staff Housing – There was a plan to put housing on the north campus.

4. Chair's Report

In UPBG and several administrative contexts there have been continued discussions and conversations about enrollment and budgeting. There has also been continued conversation about the recruitment of tenure line faculty. In February, the new Provost and President will be attending the ERC meeting. The February meeting will also have a proposed design for the feedback loop presented to ERC.

G. Knotts gave an update on the proposed charge:

- The proposed charge was brought to the Senate Executive and shared all of the information, and it received approval to bring it to the formal Senate for a vote of affirmation (to return to Senate Exec to put forth for a vote from the faculty at large) on December 15.
- The Provost had concerns about the proposed charge and will meet with G. Knotts on December 13 to discuss the concerns on behalf of the Cabinet.
- UPBG: There is a \$286.4 million funding gap.
- UPBG: There are current and continued enrollment challenges.
- It was discussed that it would be helpful to see how other CSU campuses perform.

5. College Priorities - Presentation – Katherine Dabbour – 3:30 pm Time Certain

K. Dabbour presented the University Library “Wish List”.

The collections budget was presented:

- CSUN should add \$500,000 annually to the base Library acquisitions budget to increase the book and journal/database subscription purchases.
- The last time the CSUN base acquisitions budget was increased was six years ago.

The facilities' wish list was presented:

- To have new furniture throughout the library for individual and group study spaces. This would cost approximately \$500,000.
- To replace entrance doors with new OneCard. This would cost \$240,000.
- To expand the Creative Maker Studios' hours to be in line with the library's hours and the Library Technology Services hours. This would cost \$20,000 per year.
- To install an exterior exhaust duct from the Creative Maker Studio for the Design Cutter to minimize spillover noise and fumes. This would cost \$10,000.

The information technology wish list was presented:

- The top priority was the digital preservation software Preservica, which would cost \$35,000 per year for a subscription.
- 100 external hard drives. This would cost approximately \$17,500.
- 100 4-port USB 3 hubs with power switches. This would cost \$2,500.

- Two additional interactive 75” displays for the group study spaces. This would cost approximately \$12,000.
- 5 Logitech webcams for five 75” displays. This would cost approximately \$18,250.

The library advancement development program wish list was presented:

- A new van to transport donors and collect donations was the priority. This would cost \$40,000.
- A new motorized cart to transport donors and VIPS during events. This would cost \$5,000.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:02 pm

ERC’s Charge

“This committee shall make general policy recommendations to guide the allocation of all University resources which impact educational programs. In carrying out its charge, the committee may review and advise on the current and proposed allocation of faculty positions; the allocation and the projected needs for space; support equipment and operating expense budgets; the allocation of resources for technology; the assignment and projected needs of support staff; the recommendations of other faculty governance committees which have significant educational resource implications; additionally, at the request of an appropriate University committee or an Associate Dean, independently evaluate proposals for new programs about their impact on the available educational resources of the University.” — *from ERC Bylaws*