

Campus Beautification & Preservation Committee Meeting
Meeting Minutes 2/11/2020
SH 111/112

Mission: Makes recommendations as to ways the campus can be beautified both internally and externally. Solicits the cooperation of all members of the university community in keeping the campus beautiful.

Members Present:

Holly Tienken, College of Visual & Performing Arts Representative	8/2020
Carrie Nordlund, Graduate Faculty Representative, Chair	8/2020
Brandon Krieg, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences Representative, Secretary	8/2021
Gregory Kaufinger, College of Business Representative	8/2021
Mike Ennis, Facilities Management Designee	*

1. Call to order. Carrie Nordlund, Chair

2. Approval of Minutes from 11/12/2019

Minutes unanimously approved.

3. Announcements

- Student Representative is Jeromy Pacana

4. Old Business

- Sign Update: Signage ordered for research site between Boehm and Grim
- Safety of the Sharadin Building door, opens into driving lane of parking lot A8
- Communications to Facilities, work order concerns
- Reviewed and Approved By-Laws
- Karen Stanford report on KU galleries and preservation of collections
- December Report to Senate

Carrie will ask whether our December report was discussed by the Senate.

5. New Business

- Lytle Lane enclosure (Tony Wong)

Tony Wong, chair of SEM committee, is interested in student recruitment and retention. Carrie: we should come up with our own thoughts on the structure at Lytle lane. Mike notes that the structure does not belong to KU. Carrie: we are limited in what we can do about it, because it is not our property. It is not used as a bus stop. Carrie's main concern is the danger of seeing around it when driving. One angle we might bring to this is that it is a dangerous obstruction for drivers. It might become a city issue that we can't do anything about. Carrie will check it out with Safety, get their thoughts. Carrie will report back to Tony Wong.

- Statement on the sustainability of outdoor beauty

Carrie: Would we like to make a statement beyond the December report to clarify our stance on sustainability of outdoor beauty? Greg points out importance that we come up with a definitive statement to clarify campus beautification practices to university community. Carrie: position statement could show that facilities practices are very deliberate, taking many factors into consideration, not being done haphazardly. Carrie proposes next meeting we all contribute a sentence or two towards a paragraph statement expressing the committee's position. Greg suggests that the statement show a balance of our concern for environment AND the practical considerations of keeping campus beautiful. Carrie: we could emphasize that dates were chosen for weed control that minimize the impact on people on campus. Holly: is there a sustainability committee? Carrie: part of statement could be that university should investigate a sustainability committee. Holly: beautification committee could try to include sustainability in our bylaws. Carrie: in next report we should recommend that Senate try to choose a science person for committee? For next time: everyone draft phrases that might be useful in a sustainability statement. Carrie will contact absent members for their phrases.

- Mission/plan for how campus spaces are managed—Priorities? Policies? (Karen Stanford)

Karen interested in determining priorities for the ways spaces are used in terms of art. Holly: we have a need for student exhibition space. Even MFA students are having a hard time finding exhibition space. An enclosed space—not just a wall. Carrie: should we have Karen check in with Dean Kiec about whether that's part of the conversation at all? Holly: has there been discussion of selling KU-owned artwork? Carrie: most of it is not salable—not worth much. Or, it is not able to be sold. Do we want any other statements in our bylaws about this? We mostly respond to outside complaints/requests. Do we want to be more proactive? Carrie will bring the December report to next meeting.

5. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Carrie. Seconded by Holly. Unanimous agreement.