

CDAC Workgroup Meeting
December 13, 2004
Meeting began 12:33 PM

Howell Hall

- Renovation of 104
- Davis Kane defined the scope of work on that project
 - Replace existing auditorium style seating, projection screen at mouth of stage
- Last meeting-What would happen to seating capacity if we demolished the front end of that room?
 - How would it improve seating count?
 - 24" seats-reduced seating count
 - 150 in Davis Kane proposal to 138
 - Current count is 192
- Issue with the second exit; DOI requiring it to part of the scope of the project of this room
 - Reasonable in plan; execution a bit of a problem
 - Alternate location for that exit-moved to window opening
 - Refigures seating arrangement because of sloping floor: takes out 6 seats
- There is plenty of ceiling height in the room- projector and screen capabilities
- Floor slopes a little steeper than what is allowed by code
- Options:
 - Demolish the front end and extending seats, dramatically increase seat size: 174
 - This is problematic
 - The wall is a bearing wall and supports ceiling and floor
 - Something going on with the stage floor; columns in
 - Slightly worried demolishing could involve unanticipated problems
 - Cost: about \$60,000
 - Wire auditorium seats: \$87,000
 - If we chose not to wire the seats, would use that money
- Instead of aisles on either side, use one center aisle
 - Increases to 149 seats
 - Keeps instruction in the front
 - Add seats in the back
- If stage was demolished, could the second exit be relocated from the back of the room to where there is a single window?
 - It is a possibility; DOI would have to be consulted
 - Could do it even if the stage is not demolished
 - There is a return air duct that has to be relocated
- The minimum acceptable is 135, better would be good
- By relocating exit, could gain 12 seats on top of 149=160
- 75% have to be 24", but the rest can be a mixture
 - Will help with the seat count
- We do need data and power to seats because we are removing from other rooms

- Do not need to deal with the front end if we put the exit in front
- With funds later on, can move the stage in the future
- Leave the front as it is
 - Questionable if DOI will find it acceptable
 - Howell is going under major renovation in the future
 - Can re-evaluate
- What about the rear projection idea?
 - It is conceivable, but need to do the math to see if there is enough space
- Is there area for chalkboards?
 - Not with a center screen
 - Go to white board idea in the podium
- The front seats may be a little bit close the screen
 - Podium looks close to the front row
- Center aisle:
 - More seats
 - Move the access
 - Worry about details of the screen
 - DOI alright with the front side access
- Can they access behind the podium to get to the exit?
- Concern would be an instructor in a wheelchair at the podium
 - Maybe it is not a problem
- What if the podium is flipped to the other side?
 - Same problem, door on that side
- Those four seats in the front may need to be taken out or moved back
 - Would still have 155
 - But also reducing seat size
- Maybe a screen in the stage opening
 - Maximum viewing distance 58 ft
 - Need 12 ft high image
 - On the stage, could probably get the image dimension in the opening
 - Would be lower
 - Have about 15 ½ from top of stage floor to the underside of the seating
 - Lose 12 inches from screen housing
 - Would be tight and low
- Next step in the process:
 - We can send it to committee assuming measurements are good with multimedia
 - Programming: Department heads and who is using the room the last few years
- Can the stage be abandoned and put a white board at the center of stage if it is requested
 - Could have the screen higher with white board below
 - People in the back of the room probably will not be able to see what is written anyway
- Are we only limited to one screen?

- If we go to another scheme; the split screens are smaller
 - Person in back will not have viewing if going with smaller screen
- What the issues related to rear projection?
 - There would have to be enough space to fold an image
 - 13" high rear projection image is high
 - Need a minimum of 13" to do it, not including the depth of the projector
 - 16" all together
- Projector hanging from the ceiling would be difficult to maintain
- In the back of the room, may still be high
 - Either do shelf or lift arrangement
 - When details with DOI, do programming, then work with Joe
 - First week after the New Year meeting with DOI
- Will check if room as been scheduled in case of changes in schedule

Davie Hall

- The minimum to meet the requirement
 - Redo classroom in the back corner of Old Davie: 101
 - Finishes, furniture and technology
- Redo to entry door to that portion of the building to make more accessible
- Fire rate existing windows
- 30 seats
- Set up meeting with users: second week after the first of the year; 11-12
 - Already contacted the users
 - Classes start 12, teachers 10
 - Tuesday the 11th may be best day
- Department had some additional work they were doing to upgrade labs
 - Were going to DOI to see if they could do upgrades
 - Concern was that DOI would force them to do classroom requirements from original plan
- How did the decision get made to do one classroom?
 - It was dealing with Anna and the Dean
- Scheduled to move forward as soon as we can
- Davie 112 and 301 are taken out of the project
 - Not having anything done to them
- Davie money:
 - Some went into Howell (which was a non funded project)
- In 112, could we remove stage and move podium?
- If we do anything, will trigger code issues
 - Unsure of what would kick it in
 - Finished and furniture would not be a problem
- Could do some fixing as long as the structure does not change
- Pulling stage may not be a problem with DOI

Classrooms

- 10 from the residence halls
- With Cobb, not certain; not for fall, maybe spring
- From the departments, have not gotten anything
- Gardner 08, Phillips 328
- Maybe 14 rooms
- Adjusted the 60/40 room
- Disadvantages of residence hall classrooms: far away
- Do not have a good feel until January with classes that cannot place
- Will know more then

Little:

- Still trying to figure out the sciences
- Mainly looking for 20-40 range

Gerrard:

- Could come back as a working, desirable classroom

Campus Y

- Back in the loop
- Give two rooms as classrooms, not negotiating size
 - Will be divided with removable partition-unacceptable for public classrooms
 - Discussion with Provost
- Departments cannot dictate how a GP classroom could be used
- Less than 20 do not help us
- 2/3, 1/3 situation is most desirable
- Need to talk to Paul, who says his department is not going to do it
- No bond money, supposedly just getting space
- CDAC should just say we want a real wall

Sciplex needs to be discussed further-room sizes

Meeting adjourned 2:00 PM