



Arizona School for the Arts
Facilities Committee Minutes
Friday, November 20, 2020 at 12:40 p.m.
Zoom Meeting: 898 2127 5310 Passcode: xGgmK1

Attendance (voting Members in bold)			
Dr. Anthony (Tony) Dietz, President & Committee Chair		Dr. Javier Cárdenas, Past President	Kevin Allen
John Snider, FIC Chair		John O'Neal	Leah Fregulia, Head of School/ CEO
Dr. Drew Maxwell, Operations Director		Michelle Ray, SmithGroup	John Tran, SmithGroup
Rich Newman, ORION Development Consulting, LLC		Leah Fregulia, Head of School/CEO	Carolyn Smith, Executive Assistant & Recording Secretary

Agenda Items
General Facilities Update
Outdoor Shade Structure Update
The Facilities Committee may vote to hold an executive session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the Board's attorney on any matter listed on the agenda pursuant to: ARS §38-431.03 (A)(3) Legal Advice

Notes

Dr. Tony Dietz began the meeting at 12:42 p.m.

General Facilities Update

Dr. Drew Maxwell shared a brief overview of facilities activities on and around campus:

- Leah Fregulia and Drew have been doing regular campus walk-throughs to ensure that the campus is prepared for a possible return of students and faculty.
- The interior of Main is in the process of being painted.
- The 3rd Street Improvement Project is moving ahead but on a preliminary level.
- The construction across the street at 3rd and Willetta Streets is ahead of schedule and should be done in March instead of June.
- Drew and Monica Anthony spoke with First Church UCC about the possibility of using their facilities for choir classes.

Outdoor Shade Structure Update

- Drew said that Mark Anderson from the project across the street has offered the labor for the shade structure project during the time that his crew are still working at 3rd and Willetta and to help us get commercial pricing for materials.
- John Tran shared a video of architectural drawings of the planned structures. The designated area will be in the faculty parking lot, covering the first driveway between the main building and the first north-south row of parking as well as partial cover between the building and the driveway. The rolling gate at the end of the driveway may need to be moved to the next driveway over, but in any case, no covered parking spaces will be lost, but if other space is annexed, we may lose up to nine parking spaces. If choir practice is held in the church, some of the parking could be preserved.

- A barrier between the parking row and the “classroom” may need to be added and some of the fencing between the building and the driveway will need to come down.
- Drew has a request in to meet with the Fire Inspector to ensure that the driveway is not a fire lane. If it is, the rolling gate cannot be moved and the shade structure will need to be at least 14’ high to accommodate a fire truck driving underneath. The Fire Inspector needs to be asked if we move the rolling gate to the second driveway if the second driveway can then become the fire lane.
- Tony mentioned that we may need to construct side shade depending on the angle of the sun at various times of day. He also asked if power could be run out to that area so oscillating fans could be mounted on some of the support pillars. Drew explained that power is already out there because the space has been used for various activities in the past.
- John Snider had questions about cost, time and the usefulness of completing such a project if students do not return to campus this year; it may be inadvisable to spend money on a structure unless it is necessary beyond the pandemic.
 - Cost – Drew reiterated that Mark Andrews is providing labor for us as well as materials at cost.
 - Time – Permitting can take time. Michelle Ray recommended getting an AFP permit in process now which can be attained relatively quickly and are good for 6 months with a possible 6-month extension. Once permits are issued it can be a fairly quick build with the sails taking 2-8 weeks in production. Michelle may be able to help with the permitting process as well as getting the Fire Inspector to walk the space in a timely manner.
 - Usefulness – Michelle said that she has always felt that the campus needs more shade and the space can always be used as a pavilion. Leah added that the school will need outdoor space for quite some time beyond this school year. Rich Newman said that the space can be useful when the campus redesign occurs. Drew reminded the group that this is meant to be flexible space, more for arts classes and clubs, but it can also be used for a lunch seating area that allows for greater social distancing during lunch breaks; it will be a safe space for students. John Tran said that it is worth ordering the sails and installing them on the Main building at least; overall it is not expensive - approximately \$1k/sail – for something so useful.
- The Facilities Committee will be moved from the “Reports” to the “Discussion Items” section of the Board of Directors meeting on November 23rd to allow the Board to approve a “Not to Exceed Amount” to begin the shade construction.

The meeting ended at 12:33 p.m.