

Meeting Minutes
Feasibility Study: Multicultural Center/Building
Steering Committee
November 11 ,2020

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Agenda

1. Process Community Forum on Monday

- a. There is a sense that the community thinks we are further along than we are.
- b. We have not made any decisions on space usage yet. We are still gathering data on current DEI activities at MSU along with obtaining student input.
- c. Wish we had more attendance – there were 25 attendees at the peak – students are “Zoomed out.”

2. Review Preliminary Programming Planning Document from Consultants

- a. Planning committee needs to review documents before we move forward.
- b. Programming document is organized by proposed dedicated spaces, shared spaces, support spaces, event spaces and common areas, etc.
- c. The Steering Committee has some questions about how the quantities were decided on.
- d. There may be too many individual spaces proposed instead of community/shared spaces.
- e. There were shared thoughts about a strategy regarding food spaces; kitchens, Sparty’s, etc.
- f. Provide consultant with MSU standards for new buildings.
- g. Shared thoughts about more storage and custodian space.
- h. Shared thoughts about dining areas and elevators adjacent to kitchen/food spaces.
- i. Shared thoughts about contingency space for future programming.
- j. Lisa sent the programming document to the steering committee, requesting feedback by Friday, Nov. 13. The planning committee will review the document at their next meeting and provide comments by end of day 11/19 or 11/20.

3. Date for Community Engagement week of January 21

- a. Plan for Thursday, January 21st.

4. Project Updates – (Brian and Lisa) Schedule and Plan Review

- a. Consultants will continue working through the program.
- b. MSU to work on a site matrix and narrow down the list to a couple options for the consultants to work through. Will include renovation and new build sites.
 - i. Will need to be approved by the president.
- c. In December, the consultants will work through site planning.
- d. Package for review the week of December 21st through January 6th for feedback. This will go into preparation for the community engagement session.
- e. Final report is projected to be turned in to MSU during the first week of March.

5. Website and Communication

- a. Post community engagement recording to the website.
- b. Post charette date (January 21, 2021) on website timeline.
- c. Increase publication/promotion for January 21 to increase attendance.
- d. Consider publishing an article/press release in the local news.

6. Board Update – Work Session

7. Good for the Cause

- a. Think about whether we are building a 40 year building or a 100 year building. Will depend on whether it is a renovation or a new building.

Next Meeting – November 25, 2020

Parking Lot Items

1. Benchmarking
2. Fundraising Study
3. Project Milestone Plan
 - a. December 2020 presentation to the BOT