

Multicultural Center – Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

12/9/20

Attendees: Vennie Gore, Tiana Carter, Brian Mullen, Lisa Sudia, Terry Frazier, Barb Kranz, Mark Fellows, Dan Bollman, Tammi Cervantes, and Sharron Reed-Davis

1. Action Items

- a. Look into feasibility studies or plans regarding vertical expansion of International Center
- b. Start promoting engagement session for February 3, 2021
- c. Review consultants proposal over the holidays
- d. No meeting on 12/23

2. NPHC Plot Proposal

- a. The National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) is composed of the nine largest historically African-American Greek-letter organizations.
- b. National Pan-Hellenic Council wants a plot somewhere on campus
- c. Multicultural Center is an opportunity to add some sort of signage/structure/landmark representing NPHC chapters on campus
- d. President of NPHC MSU reached out to Vennie about selling plot land on campus



- e.
- f. Will pass ideas on to the architects

3. Previous International Center Feasibility Study - things to consider

- a. Classroom, office wing and ID office are untouchable
- b. Vertical expansion is possible
- c. Would not build out much into "People's Park"
- d. Food = 2-3 vendors at most
- e. Keep community kitchen with a prep space for events, without commercial food
- f. Target multicultural vendors for the food court
- g. Programmatic square footage for MCC vs International Center space
- h. May re-envision classroom usage due to COVID - 100-150 capacity

4. New build site (next to Shaw Hall)

- a. Incorporate river walk and views of river
- b. Flood plain does not affect this site
- c. Basketball and volleyball courts may need to be relocated (People's Park, North of Red Cedar River, top of building, etc.)

- d. Need to consider ADA access for events
 - e. Master plan includes turning parking lot into green space and pushing parking to exterior of campus
 - f. *Steering and Planning Committee's will recommend new build or renovation will be made after potential costs become more clear*
5. Programming
- a. Main room/living room space is set to be 3000 sq. ft.
 - i. Group agrees that 2,000sq.ft. is more suitable and could accommodate approximately 80 people
6. Schedule and homework over the break
- a. Engagement/update session may be the first week of February – Wednesday, 2/3/21 is preferred
 - i. Do not schedule on Tuesdays or Fridays
 - ii. ASMSU meets on Thursday afternoons
 - b. 12/17-12/18 Consultants due to give committees a package to review over the holidays
 - i. 3 week turnover time
7. Community Meeting – ~~January 28~~ February 3