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The Committee on Physical Resources and Planning (PRP) met 5 times during AY 2007-2008. The business of the Committee has been primarily devoted to project initiatives for enhancing the quality of the campus’ physical appearance.

The Committee discussed the following issues:

- Placing benches and fountains around campus.
- Reviving plans for a faculty club. The Committee has met with Ward Beyermann, Vice Chair, to discuss alternative sites and alternative methods of supporting the faculty club. The Committee was asked if they would initiate a faculty and staff survey regarding dining options on campus.
- The Advisory Committee on Campus Art – an artist from Seattle will visit UCR and propose a site-specific art work for the plaza that exists between Arts and the CHASS Interdisciplinary Building. The Chair of PRP is a member of this committee.
- Alternative modes of transportation to campus. The PRP Committee has met with Mike Delo, Director of Transportation and Parking Services. Alternative transportation incentives are being put in place. There is a program where students can ride on any RTA bus route free. TAPS is working on getting this program for faculty. There are 18 van pools out on the road with 120-130 participants. Within the next year or two the campus should decide whether or not to build a parking structure. The alternative is to put parking restrictions in place.
- An ad hoc committee was formed to work on getting benches and fountains for the campus. Two members of PRP will participate on this ad hoc committee.

The Committee on Physical Resources Planning reviewed the document on the UCR Academic Senate Reorganization and one of the PRP members had a number of concerns regarding the proposed reorganization. These were passed on to the senate.

The PRP Committee met with Vice Chancellor Gretchen Bolar and Tim Ralston to discuss the Proposal to establish a School of Medicine. The committee voted unanimously to approve the proposal.

The Committee met to address issues related to the faculty club. VC Bolar attended the meeting as well as Tom Cogswell and Ward Beyermann. A location has been pinpointed behind the Computing and Communications building and would offer a 180° panoramic view of the Riverside area and would be open to the public during evenings and weekends. The area that the committee is looking at is a designated campus reserve area. A suggestion was made that a joint senate administrative committee be formed that would include members of the University Club and staff to come up with a vision and program in the form of a proposal that the campus can get behind and approve. This proposal would then be presented to the Chancellor with a request that
a basic architectural and capital planning/business plan study be done and at this point also ask for funding from the Administration. Also noted was the fact that the proposal should include the need for a conference facility that would serve the entire campus, and especially if we proceed with the Medical School.

Members of PRP have also participated in the campus architect candidate interviews and the Campus Art Committee.

The meeting minutes are attached.

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