IN ATTENDANCE:

Committee members: David McCaffrey, Steve Beditz, John Giarrusso, Catherine T. Lawson, Fardin Sanai, Christine Bouchard, Janet Riker, Andi Lyons, Susan Phillips, Tom Devlin (graduate student rep)

Staff: Errol Millington, Chris Spencer, Jason Kersch, Andrew Weiss

Guests: none

1. **Uptown Campus Preservation Considerations**

   The committee was presented with an overview of the historic nature of Edward Durell Stone’s campus, the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), the progress towards creating a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with SHPO, and historic design guidelines for the university.

   - John Giarrusso opened the meeting explaining that the APAAC group is entrusted with ensuring that campus upgrades are consistent with preservation objectives and how an informed APAAC group is essential to the success of the UAlbany relationship with SHPO, hence the presentation and guidelines document to be provided by Chris Spencer at this meeting.
   - Chris Spencer explained the purpose of the MOA with SHPO is to instill the confidence that the University is capable of making decisions on historic preservation issues in house.
   - Chris Spencer presented the draft Preservation Guidelines and Standards Document to the committee. In combination with the Getty Heritage Report, these guidelines are designed as a tool to assist APAAC on preservation decisions.
   - Kate Lawson felt that this document was focused on design characteristics, and did not provide more directive guidelines. Chris Spencer explained that greater detail would be/is provided to current and future designers on the University’s website.

   Overall, the committee recognized its stewardship role and acknowledged the University’s statutory obligations related to preservation.
2. **Uptown Campus – Landscape and Hardscape Planning for the Southern Portion**

   APAAC was asked to comment on the proposed long-term landscape, connectivity, and placemaking opportunities for the southern half of the Uptown Campus; the direction provided herein would help inform ongoing project planning.

   - Jason Kersch presented the history of the Uptown Campus, explaining how additions of the Campus Center, Science Library, and Athletics have changed the pedestrian and vehicular connectivity of the Southern half of the campus from its original design.
   - Opportunities to create meaningful exterior spaces while aligning connections for both individuals and vehicles were presented.
   - John Giarrusso explained that the overall plan would be carried out in phases over a long time frame, beginning with near-term projects such as the redesigned Sci Library bus drop-off.
   - Kate Lawson expressed that any road and walkway realignment should facilitate the rapid evacuation of the Podium and the campus in the event of an emergency.
   - Overall, the committee felt that the proposed changes would enhance the connectivity and circulation of the campus and endorsed the concept plans depicted below.

![The proposed realigned Uptown Campus, southern portion](image)

3. **Main Fountain and Water Tower Rehabilitation Update**

   APAAC was presented with a construction update and asked to make a decision regarding the heating of water for the smaller central fountain.

   - John Giarrusso provided a project schedule update with completion expected by Homecoming 2013.
He also shared that the smaller center of the fountain, which has separate controls from the larger outer fountain pool, would not be able to function through the hard freeze of the winter as discussed in earlier planning sessions. The notion of adding glycol (to preventing freezing) would damage pump seals. An alternate option, during moderate winter weather, would be to heat the water in the smaller center fountain, but the construction costs to add the heat exchanger/boiler are estimated at approximately $170,000 with over $1,200 in daily operational costs.

The committee discussed that the cost of using the reheat system did not justify running the central fountain for an additional few weeks.

The committee expressed the desire to have the central fountain operating as late as possible during the fall semester, until the temperatures dropped below acceptable levels.

The main fountain, showing the smaller central fountain and outer fountain jets operational

4. **Shop-24**

APAAC was presented with the preliminary plans for the Shop-24 vending machine in the location south of the Social Science loading dock.

- Chris Spencer and Errol Millington presented the site and concept for the Shop-24, off the southwest corner of the Podium.
- Shop-24 is a large vending machine that can carry approximately 200 products, similar to a convenience store. It would help to offset the demand for food service while the Campus Center is being renovated.
- Given weather conditions, Sue Phillips would like to see a canopy over both the queuing area for the machine and a seating area.
- Existing Shop-24 locations at other institutions were discussed; and they have been successful on other SUNY campuses.
- The committee agreed that the location was suitable and the landscaping options acceptable.
Rendered Shop-24 unit

Proposed Shop-24 site plan