

FERC Meeting

September 28, 2021

In attendance: Firat Erdim (Chair), Brandi Latterell, Aaron Woods, Radford Davis, Laura VanWaardhuizen, Michelle Soupir

1. Discussion of Pre-COVID reduction of facilities cleaning budget
 - a. Latterell reported that the 5% budget reduction did impact cleaning and groundskeeping budgets and senior leadership is aware of the concerns.
 - b. Waiting for a response from FP&M regarding the budget cuts
 - c. Consider focus attention on high traffic areas
 - d. Discussion of staff turnover and related concerns
2. Deferred building maintenance – options to consider
 - a. Condition report from colleges
 - b. Survey of faculty/staff/students to get input to prioritize concerns and get feedback on personal impressions
 - c. Latterell reports that FP&M is generally aware and has list of top 10 issues in buildings, unsure if the list is publicly available, will look to see if a survey is already being conducted.
 - d. Given the COVID impacts, is HVAC replacement still the best way to move forward or should upgrades be considered
 - e. Invite Paul Fuligni, Associate VP for Facilities Planning back to give an update
 - f. Some additional discussion of service lab fees/differential tuition approaches to try and improve spaces
3. University room scheduling
 - a. Issues include inefficiency for students and faculty to cross campus to make it in time to the next class and also large gatherings of students in halls for lunch due to lack of space
 - b. Positive experiences using room scheduling and the 15 min between classes seems to be working well for instructors and students