

INTERVIEWS

On July 27, 2004 an all-day interview session was held on Northeast Campus with Students, Staff, Faculty, the President's Council, and the Community to get input with regard to the Campus Master Plan. The Planning Team asked the college what were the likes, dislikes, what should be changed, what should not be changed, and how could the campus be better. Faculty, Staff, and Administrators were asked how the campus could be improved to allow them to best perform their job and Students were asked how the campus could be improved to enhance their learning environment. All of the meetings were well attended. People appreciated the ability to be heard and give their input. There was much interest in the master plan and future developments by the college. The meetings that took place are listed in the schedule below:

DATE	TIME	MEETING	LOCATION	# OF ATTENDEES
7-13-04	1 - 5 p.m.	Physical Plant	Physical Plant	6
7-20-04	10 - 11:30 a.m.	Phys. Plant/Police	Physical Plant	15
7-27-04	8 - 9:30 a.m.	Support Staff	Academic Bldg.	30
7-27-04	10 - 11:30 a.m.	President's Council	Academic Bldg.	18
7-27-04	Noon - 1:30 p.m.	Students	Student Union	13
7-27-04	2 - 3:30 p.m.	Faculty	Student Union	33
7-27-04	6 - 7:30 p.m.	Community	Student Union	39

During these interview sessions, a broad spectrum of issues and needs were discussed including signage, circulation, traffic, security, parking, space needs, inefficient buildings, landscaping, student services, gathering places, classroom needs, outdoor spaces, life safety issues, etc. A summary of the most notable issues/needs for the Northeast Campus follows:

PARKING/TRAFFIC/CIRCULATION

1. Traffic signals with clearly marked turn lanes and directional signage at each entry off Harwood, Precinct Line and Hwy. 26.
2. Restrict or slow down public thru-traffic between Harwood and Hwy. 26.
3. Pedestrian crosswalks with incorporated speed bumps between parking lots and campus core.
4. Redesign of interior roads needed to address internal traffic flow problems.
5. Clearly defined drop-off areas that are out of traffic flow.
6. Widen service road by Physical Plant Building.
7. Pedestrian crossings across Harwood and Hwy. 26.

BUILDINGS/SPACES

1. More classrooms and lecture rooms are needed. There are not enough classrooms to adequately meet enrollment.
2. Most buildings on campus need to be upgraded/renovated.
3. Sound transmission problems in classrooms and labs.
4. Privacy concerns at Counseling and Financial Aid.
5. Health/Physical Education building needs to adequately address gym, racquetball, workout, and yoga functions. Also, third floor does not have fire exit, only one way out so cannot be used for classrooms.
6. Severe lack of storage space needed for test lock-up, media equipment, lockers for adjuncts, and student activities.
7. More space is needed for: Indoor study, group study and lounge areas; Testing Center; meeting rooms; Learning Resources; Art Studio Gallery; multi-purpose rooms; break-out rooms; office space for faculty and adjuncts; Counseling; Police Department; Child Care Lab; general classrooms; Continuing Education classrooms; conference rooms for faculty, adjuncts, and departmental groups; Financial Aid.
8. New Student Center should be located in center of campus. Many students don't use because of location.
9. All Student Services including Counseling, Disability Services, Registrar, Bursar, Financial Aid, Testing, Bookstore, Food Court or Cafe, Health Services, and other immediate services should be located together in 'one-stop-shop.'
10. The Library entry needs to be ADA compliant, leaks fixed, and a secondary 'emergency' exit needs to be provided.
11. NBSS has one end closed off - fire hazard; severe space problems, leaks, odor.
12. Many other buildings need ADA/life safety egress issues addressed. Some areas use the hallways for storage.
13. The Student Union needs major renovation - bad A/C, asbestos, leaks, sound-proofing.
14. Administration - several life safety issues, no A/C in hallways, asbestos, inadequate for function; noted worst building by staff.
15. District Service Center - not ADA compliant, 20-year-old temporary building.
16. Consider for total reconstruction or reuse: Student Union, Administration, NBSS.
17. Consider for demolition: District Service Center.

GATHERING PLACES/MEETING SPACES

1. Student gathering areas are needed, both indoor and outdoor. Some outdoor gathering spaces should be covered. Indoor spaces should be isolated acoustically from academic functions.
2. Multi-purpose meeting rooms for collaborative learning.
3. Need Community Center meeting space with conference rooms.
4. Performing Arts Center with community access.

Data Gathering

NORTHEAST CAMPUS



CAMPUS LAYOUT - LANDSCAPING

1. Campus 'turns its back' on parking lots/community. Entrances face inward and back doors face parking lots. Uninviting as you walk up to most buildings.
2. More landscaped places and covered outdoor seating areas needed; water features would be desirable.
3. More outdoor recreational facilities - swimming pool, basketball goals.
4. Need a clearly defined "main entrance" to campus.
5. Replace aggregate panels and make all walkways accessible.

SURVEY OF RESPONSES

In addition to the Interview Sessions, a Questionnaire was available on the Web site for those who were not at the meeting to comment and submit back to the Planning Team. A condensed report of the questions asked and some of the most pertinent answers is located in the Appendix.

