Space Committee Meeting  
December 14, 2005


Visual Resources Library
Discussion as to whether the VRL will be relocated into Kohrman Hall concurrent with the School of Art’s move. David Dakin explained that the VRL move had been cut from the Kohrman renovation project because of a tight budget, and that only if project bids were lower than expected could it be reinstated. Joe Reish explained that the VRL and the School of Art must maintain close contact to be academically successful. Linda Delene stated that a concurrent move should happen, and that she would be part of the discussion if and when necessary. Joe Reish requested that he and the VRL and other library staff be communicated with directly and not receive information by third-hand rumors.

Interior Design Lighting Lab
The Interior Design program needs a Lighting Lab to meet accreditation standards for the Fall 2006 accreditation visit and review. The Lighting Lab set-up was initially part of the move to relocated the Family and Consumer Sciences classrooms and offices from Trimpe into Kohrman Hall and a room was dedicated for this purpose, but for some reason did not occur. Evie Asken and FCS Chair Linda Dannison are to get pertinent information to Linda Delene.

Ellsworth Hall
Campus Facilities is revising the estimate to move the Division of Multi-Cultural Affairs from the 2nd floor to the 3rd floor of Ellsworth Hall. All estimates for the other proposed relocations are complete but on hold at this time.

Student Academic and Institutional Research
The program and estimate are complete. SAIR is slated for Henry Hall. The move is supposed to occur before Fall 2006.

The Graduate College
Ron Davis and The Graduate College staff have reviewed and accepted the proposal to move the Graduate College into the lower level of Ellsworth Hall.

Whitman Saddle Building – Geosciences Core Lab
Planning is proceeding. Campus Facilities and Physical Plant staff are working on estimates and details. Lab to be fully operational by summer. Administration will not supply budget for equipment. The use of Geosciences funds ($600K) still needs to be identified/verified and all accounting issues between Administration and Geosciences worked out. If not resolved by late January, a meeting with Wendy Ford, Evie Asken, Bob Beam, Linda Delene, and the Geosciences’ Chair/faculty will be necessary.
**Industrial Design Program**
Dean Greene described the challenges for finding new locations for the Industrial Design program’s wood and fabrication lab and materials storage, and for the student studios. Among the locations being considered are the College building on the Parkview Campus, the Speech and Hearing Building, the AT/ROTC building, the Upholstery Shop, and space in the Whitman Saddle Building. The preference was to locate the studios in the College building, and to use the Upholstery Shop for the labs. The College and the Campus Facilities staff were charged with accomplishing the move before Spring Semester classes began. A final decision on all relocations was to occur on Friday, December 16. The Upholstery Shop is currently used for storage, which will be located elsewhere if necessary.

**Kohrman Renovation**
David Dakin stated that the work on the central wing of Kohrman would start in January 2006 with asbestos abatement and was to be complete in the summer of 2007. CS1000 classes will not be affected, despite rumors to the contrary. The renovation work will encompass all areas to the south of the elevator in the central wing.

All the computer science support areas currently in Kohrman Hall (GA offices, etc.) will need to be relocated during the renovation, and discussion is on-going. Several classrooms will be off-line during the renovation; the Registrar has been informed. The CVIT classroom will be relocated into Ellsworth Hall.

**Brown Hall**
David Dakin stated that Brown Hall bid documents are to be ready this spring, with all functions removed from the building by June 1, 2006, and construction to start this summer. All function relocation plans need to be confirmed as soon as possible – lab relocations should be identified by late January. Wendy Ford will be holding meetings in January to address the relocation issues. All functions will need to be relocated for three semesters.

**Ellsworth**
Division of Multi-Cultural Affairs’ relocation is still under review. The DMA relocation is the first priority for Ellsworth Hall. Academic Technology and Instructional Services will be relocating the CVIT classroom, currently in Kohrman, to the first floor of Ellsworth.

**Other relocations**
All other relocations are on hold until after the DMA move. The space needed for the Center for Academic Support Programs will need to be reviewed after the DMA move, because it was not feasible to accommodate all the requesting functions on the same floor with the DMA. Anthropology cannot relocate until CASP has been moved.
It has been agreed to move, at an unspecified time, the Student Academic and Instructional Research area into Henry Hall, and to move the Graduate College into the lower level of Ellsworth Hall.

The location of the Permanent Art Collection is still unresolved. The intent was to renovate a location in Dalton as part of work being done in or near the building during the RCVA and the chemistry building construction, but the funds for this have been cut from both projects.

**New Business:**
The Kalamazoo Foundation has purchased the Pfizer Building #126 in downtown Kalamazoo, with possession to occur in one year. Evie Asken is to begin planning for how the building will be used by the University, with approval of use through the Provost and the VP of Research. Occupancy and use will be based on specific criteria, such as research productivity.

Physical Plant is working on getting the fume hoods in “old” McCracken working again before Spring classes start. The fume hoods failed in the last weeks of Fall Semester.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, February 8, 2006 at 8:30a.m. in the President’s Conference Room.