

Administrative Services

Capital Project Planning Update#13

December 10, 2005

The following represents the last 2005 Capital Project Planning Update. It is anticipated, upon the return of the faculty and students' in mid-January, that discernible changes in the progress of various projects will be noticeable.

FRANK P. DOYLE LIBRARY: During the week of December 12th, the construction fence between Analy and Bussman will be moved toward Bailey Hall in order to complete the new paving and pathway along the west side of the new library. This fence move will also change access to the Two Dog Art Gallery, and to Bussman Hall. The contractor will be installing a temporary pathway, of plywood painted with non-skid paint, across the planter area on the south side of the Gallery doorway which will allow continued access to the Gallery and to the existing sidewalk that services Bussman. The contractor believes that the work should be finished in about 6 weeks, during part of that time the College will be closed.

Work on the roof and roofing structure continues apace. The contractor is closing in the structure to allow for completion of substantial interior areas during the winter months. Current schedule suggests the project will be "turned over" to the College on May 1, 2006. Furniture and Equipment acquisitions have been timed to provide as much moveable (Group II) equipment on-site by May 1st thus allowing installation and moves to occur between May 1st and August 1st.

MULTI-LEVEL PARKING STRUCTURE: At this writing, the contractor's second major foundation concrete pour is underway (Saturday, December 10th). Much like the first pour, 4,200 cubic yards of concrete will be poured involving in excess of 450 nine cubic yard truckloads during the course of a planned ten hour pour time. This is considered to be the largest single concrete pour in Sonoma County history and several Wright Contracting, Inc staff volunteered to work it because of its historic proportions. There will be over 2 million pounds of steel reinforcing rebar in the foundation of this facility and 4 ½ million pounds overall. We have been pleasantly surprised in regards to the positive attention and curiosity related to this particular project. My sense is that it is a unique opportunity to see the coming together of the conceptual development, engineering theory and well calibrated construction logistics coupled with hard, hard work demonstrated by the contractors and their labor crews (rod busters, concrete finishers, pumpers, truck drivers, etc.) It is fun and instructive to watch. Or perhaps the fascination may be nothing more than seeing us dig this big, big hole and then filling it up with a lot of steel and cement.

Irrespective, we continue to advise folks to refrain from coming on campus (via Mendocino/Pacific/BearCub Way) during this and the remaining pour scheduled for

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December 17th. The long-range weather projections are positive for the final pour. For those of you who are on campus and wish to “sneak a peek” the best and safest viewing area remains the east side Bailey Field Bleachers. If you like to see a big concrete pour and observe concrete drying---you can join such stalwarts as Kris Shear during the work hours for this event from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. I increased the project budget this a.m. by donating 55 cents into the concrete as a good luck gesture for the project. The construction budget now stands at \$30,385,000.55.

As Elizabeth Carlson and I would kid one another, remember that during our life's journey, we need to occasionally pause and park.

PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION PLAN WORKSHOP: At the end of this planning update is a copy of the notice announcing the planned parking and transportation plan workshop which affords the opportunity for the college community and general public to comment on prospective revisions to the College's operational Parking and Transportation Plan. SRJC faculty and staff, as well as students, are also encouraged to comment in person and/or in writing. This information sharing and gathering exercise will assist the College to further develop its operational parking and transportation planning efforts. The first of two meetings is scheduled for Tuesday, January 17th and the follow-up meeting is scheduled for February 14th. Please read the attached announcement. Results of the Fall Semester Bicycle Survey will be released next week.

PLOVER HALL (LIBRARY CONVERSION): Final drawings are nearly complete and the project remains on schedule for a late August, early September, 2006 bid date. College staff is currently reviewing the latest architectural cost estimates and need to bring the project back to its budgeted \$8.8 million construction budget.

NEW STUDENT SERVICE CENTER: Programming is nearly complete and the Board Facilities Committee has asked College staff and the architect to review spatial relationships between and within the Library, Pioneer Hall and the new Student Service Center. We need to look at softening the “hardscape” in front of Pioneer. It is anticipated that preliminary design documents could start in January, 2006. Community based scoping sessions for this project and the development of Elliott Avenue will commence in early 2006. Special emphasis will be given in working with the neighborhood immediately to the north of Elliott in terms of programmatic impacts.

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SHONE FARM AG PAVILION: The project is definitely starting to move “out of the dirt” with form work for walls and layouts commencing. Current construction related issues include keeping the site accessible during the winter months, equipment and furniture acquisition planning and media installation plans. The project is to be completed in mid-to-late Summer, 2006.

PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING CENTER FIRE TOWER AND ADVANCED LABS PROJECTS: The Fire Tower and requisite support facilities are nearing completion with an intended use of the tower and draft burn pits commencing in early 2006. The College has been notified that the State is supporting the Advanced Laboratory Project for design drawing funding in 2007.

NATIVE AMERICAN MUSUEM EXPANSION: Space planning work continues on this Bussman Hall expansion project. The Jesse Peter Native American Museum is expanding into the area abandoned by the Art Gallery when it moves to Frank P. Doyle Library in late Spring or early Summer 2006. Conceptually, we are looking to provide considerable increased display and artifact storage space. Additionally, the Board will be asking the Board to consider the addition of a display patio area on the north side of the existing Two Dog Museum in a manner consistent with the exterior architecture.

SPACE ALLOCATION REPORT: Most of the initial space allocation work related to suggested adjacency issues has been completed. The consultant is reviewing particular adjacency proposals to understand the viability of the suggested adjacencies and to amend, where needed, proposed adjacency configurations. Administrative Services will soon be meeting with Academic Affairs to discuss and resolve any adjacency conflicts. Consideration will also be given to specific issues of concern such as poor lecture and office space utilization, the need for additional shared smart classroom facilities as well as a shortage of instructional laboratory space. As discussed at the forum, it will be exceedingly difficult to add any additional lecture space (shared or otherwise) given we are over capacity at the Santa Rosa Campus.

ASSESSMENT INTERIM MOVE: Planning is nearly complete for the interim move of the Assessment and Testing Program into the existing Doyle Student Center. This is necessitated due to the need to remove the temporary structure located at the north end of Bailey Field which houses Assessment. Assessment will occupy, for approximately eighteen months, space in the CyBear Center and student lounge area. This matter has been discussed with and agreed to by Associated Students. Assessment may be moved by the end of April or early May.

Parking and Transportation Committee Workshop

Update of the SRJC Parking and Transportation Plan

The Sonoma County Junior College (Santa Rosa Junior College) District's Parking and Transportation Committee announces its intention to update its existing operational Parking and Transportation Plan. The existing Plan addresses the following topics:

- Parking
- Shuttle Program
- Carpool Program
- Bus Program
- Bike Program
- Pedestrian Safety
- College Path and Roadway Safety
- Media Outreach
- Financial Issues
- Construction-related Matters

At this time, the Committee intends to review the status of all Plan components, with particular attention focused on an update of the Bike Program, including issues related to bicycle access, parking, and safety. Members of the College community, bicycle interest organizations, and the general public are invited to attend an SRJC Parking and Transportation Committee workshop scheduled for:

Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2006
Time: 12:00 to 1:30 PM
Location: Pedroncelli Center, Santa Rosa Campus
Center, Santa

Date: Tuesday, February 14
Time: 12:00 – 1:30 PM
Location: Pedroncelli
Rosa Campus

Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2006
Time: 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Location: **Room 101, Jacobs Hall Petaluma Campus
Bertolini Hall,**

Date: Tuesday, February 14
Time: 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.
Location: **Room 131,
Petaluma Campus**

A presentation will be made at the workshop to familiarize all attendees with the purpose of the existing Parking and Transportation Plan. Participants will be invited to provide input regarding parking and transportation concerns. The input received at the initial workshop will be utilized to prepare a draft amended Plan, which will be presented at a second public meeting on February 14th. Public input will again be invited at the second meeting, which will occur prior to the Committee's presentation of the amended Plan to the District's Board of Trustees.

Questions and/or written input regarding the workshop on January 17th should be addressed to Dr. Curtis L. Groninga, Vice President for Administrative Services at Santa Rosa Junior College, 1501 Mendocino Avenue, Santa Rosa 95409.
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