

Texas A&M University – San Antonio
Arts, Grounds and Aesthetic Committee Meeting

January 26, 2023
Microsoft Teams
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

- **Roll Call:** Antoinette Curl, Corrin Le Vasseur, Gavin Watts, James Meyer, Joseph Pickering, Karen Burgard, Sarah Castillo
- **Missing:** Ernest Haffner, Kathy Funk-Baxter, Eve White, Eliasz McCullen, Gary Coulton, Jesse Pisors, Justin Korver, Stephanie Black, Melissa Morales, Lanie Perez
- **Start: 10:00 AM**

Interpretive plan discussion and how it will impact future master planning.

- Corrin – Name suggestions for new housing building?
 - Antoinette – Could we keep in theme with Ezperanza “hope” “flower”
 - Corrin – similar to how all the new streets are butterflies
 - Jacob – not sure we want to start going down the path of prominent figures
 - Corrin – system has a policy in place regarding naming rights
 - Joe – Sent [Policy 51.06 – Naming of Buildings and Other Entities](#)
- Corrin – Suggestions for memorial pieces on campus? Should the committee develop policy or process for adding memorials?
 - Eve – we must think about our potential growth, because at some point it will not be possible to manage.
 - Jacob – make sure the individuals we memorialize has made some sort of contribution to campus. Process we create needs to be intentional and realistic.
- Corrin – Fence for rec center construction, won’t be a plan chain link fence. We’re going to design tarp for fence. Wanted to bring to committees attention.
- Corrin – Clearing out trees, the found 5 oak trees. I asked SSC to find someone that would be able to pick up the oak trees and replant them in place of 5 dead trees. They can remove and replant, but CANNOT ensure the survival of the trees. BLH building had two trees replanted at the roundabout, still thriving.
 - Antoinette – how much does a new tree cost? Would it be comparable in price?
 - Corrin – probably similar if not more expense in price for a new tree.
- Corrin – Shade structures outside Patriots’ Casa.

Update from Subcommittees

- Grounds, Gardens and Outdoor Spaces Improvement Subcommittee (Corrin)
- Fostering community Partnerships Subcommittee (Justin Korver)
 - Joe – Official document will come for Student leadership after senate meeting for leadership wall.

- Joe – Students wanted to know if there could be a similar portrait for Oakley as was made for Dr. Matson’s portrait.

Mural Artist Update – Justin/Corrin

- BLH Mechanical Wall Mural FY 23 David
 - Corrin – Design for mural is chosen. Far left of mural will connect to UPD fence, screen will come. Finishing contract with David, will do 1 to 2 workshops with students. A lot of work is done in his studio, then he brings to campus to install. David will involve art students into the project. Deadline is end of academic year, so August. Can’t let him start on mural until BLH building is 100% complete.

Projects in Progress:

- New Library, College of Business Building – Corrin
 - No update.
- Leadership Wall/Staff Awards/Faculty Awards (STEM) – Corrin
 - Corrin – HR want the wall repainted to be similar to SGA leadership color, chocolate color.
 - Eve – I’m of the opinion it should look good on the wall it’s housed on.
 - Karen – I understand the logic to have all the walls be uniform, but I would prefer that the wall match the individual buildings they are in.
 - Corrin – is no one opposed to leaving it to the aesthesis of the building?
 - **No Nays**

Other Topics

- Cafeteria Art – carefully remove to another location.
 - Antoinette – can we temporarily house in places that are bland?
 - Eve – what is the driving force of wanting to remove these pieces?
 - Corrin – since there’s no student union, they need a place to gather that shows this is a place to take pride in. We don’t have a place where students can gather. Make the space more student focused.
 - Eve – is this feedback from student government?
 - Joe – this is feedback that comes from SGA, make sure their opinions are voiced her. Want to see more jaguar focused. Art galleries don’t necessarily speak to all students.
 - Eve – my suggestion would be to wait until summer to start any construction.
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