"Building the Campus of the Future"

Charge to the Task Force

The University will transition its facilities to model the “Campus of the Future.” The University will create a sustainable environment by developing a pedestrian-friendly and ecological sensitive environment; by providing welcoming and safe surroundings; by utilizing innovative and technological learning spaces; by ensuring community friendly learning, gathering, and collaborative places and by developing green and energy conscious facilities and outdoor areas.

The charge to the Task Force is to develop a set of objectives that will accomplish the intended outcome of the strategic priority. The objectives should be accompanied by a business plan that includes estimated resource needs. The Task Force will share the draft plan internally with the University community and invite comment and discussion on the plan’s objectives via open forums, e-mail, etc. A final report will be submitted to the President who will review the objectives and invite further comment through the shared governance process. Following this period of formal review, the President will finalize the objectives for achieving the priority.

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Objectives Set by the Task Force

1. Create a campus culture supporting energy efficiency, resource conservation and sustainability.
   a. Create a campus sustainability policy and support network
      i. Prepare a policy statement and implementation principles
      ii. Maintain a campus Environmental Committee
      iii. Maintain a metering and reporting system for benchmarking and measuring results.
      iv. Complete a “Carbon Footprint” analysis
      v. Create a campus “Green Fund” for promotion of sustainability efforts
   b. Develop a three year plan to enhance a campus culture of energy conscious behavior and sustainable lifestyle.
      i. Awareness campaign to reduce “parasitic” electrical consumption – turn off computers, unplug chargers, turn off printers, etc.
ii. Environmental Committee sponsored events and forums with sustainability focus that also include opportunities to solicit community input.

iii. Paper use reduction through technology – fewer mailings and posters

2. Create a welcoming and safe physical campus that is pedestrian and multi-model friendly.
   a. Improve campus boundary recognition and community welcome to campus.
      i. Construct entrance features at the four campus entrances.
      ii. Expand way finding signage and incorporate campus mapping at entrances and primary pedestrian pathways.
      iii. Review student crossing areas along primary paths for clear road crossing markings and appropriate lighting.
   b. Create a “student centric” mall concept with more seating and gathering areas.
      i. Complete a mall upgrade pre-design to seek campus community input and prepare a phased implementation plan with cost estimates.
   c. Finalize a plan to demolish the Gage Residence halls and redevelop the site.
      i. Investigate partnering opportunities help defray demolition costs and improve community access.

3. Create welcoming, comfortable and safe interior spaces that promote collaboration in learning.
   a. Maintain a technology replacement and upgrade plan with a commitment to keep all equipped classrooms and seating areas current with state of the art technology.
   b. MSU should create innovative, flexible and technologically advanced classroom and collaborative gathering spaces.
      i. Continue to expand existing “technology lounge” concept
   c. Continue to update HVAC systems to improve comfort in an efficient way.
      i. Add air-conditioning to current public unconditioned spaces, HN Racquet ball
      ii. Replace failing rooftops at Alumni Foundation, Wiecking Center, Nelson Addition.
      iii. Create a five year replacement plan that identifies sub-standard HVAC systems and prioritizes replacement based on condition.
   d. Conduct an accessibility assessment and incorporate high priority projects into the R&R plan.