Chair Balick called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Meeting Synopsis:
1. Approval of agenda, approval of minutes
2. Long-term Facilities Needs of the Psychology Department (Steve Buck, Laura Little)
3. UW Tower Planning Updates (Colleen Pike for Marilyn Cox)
4. Update on the Local Impacts of the Business School Addition (John Palewicz)
5. HUB Renovation Plans (Lincoln Johnson, Randy Everett, Paul Zuchowski)
6. Resolutions and Recommendations

1. Announcements, Agenda, Minutes

The February 15, 2007 meeting agenda was approved.

The January 18, 2007 minutes was approved.

2. Long-term Facilities Needs of the Psychology Department (Steve Buck, Laura Little and Jeff Seidelmann)

Buck stated that space for academic departments are at a premium within central campus, and the Psychology Department is in desperate need of a consolidated space to accommodate its teaching and research programs. Buck asked the UW Tower Planning Advisory Committee to be aggressive in relocating administrative functions to the UW Tower to alleviate academic space needs. Psychology is one of the top three departments in the School of Arts and Sciences, with $10 millions in grants, 450 undergraduates each year, and a faculty of 55 FTE positions. Psychology is principally housed in Guthrie Hall, with additional space in eight surrounding buildings, six of which are temporary wood frame buildings. Johnson Annex, with its water leaks, heating/cooling/mold/noise issues, presents the worse possible public image for the department and the University. The department recently lost a mid-level developmental psychologist due to its poor space quality. There is urgent need to consolidate clinical/research operations and promote collaboration. Marsha Linehan, Director, Behavioral Research & Therapy Clinics, need space to expand to competitively position the department for research funding. With most student research work scheduled an hour at a time, it is impossible to separate teaching and research into separate facilities. A new building along 15th Ave NE or at the Johnson Annex site will be ideal. Entire floor space located within the Chemistry Library, Architecture Hall, Gerberding Hall, Schmitz Hall, Speech and Hearing Building, etc. is most desirable. A proposal for 11,350 sq. ft. for clinical psychology operations, 3,500 sq. ft. for childhood behavioral testing labs, and 2,200 sq. ft. for the clinical training unit was submitted to the UW Tower Planning Advisory Committee.

Action Taken: The Council thanked Buck for presenting the space needs of the Psychology Department. Pike stated that his proposal to the UW Tower Planning Committee is a good one, and all administrative units on campus will be reviewed for opportunities for academic space. Request for funding for a new building need to originate from the Dean of Arts and Sciences and forwarded to the Capital Planning Office. UW must request authorization from the State Legislature prior to issuing debt to fund academic buildings. Funding towards “Restore the Core” does not add new space.
3. UW Tower Planning Update (Colleen Pike)
Pike handed out a UW Tower Planning update. O&M funding was not included in the Governor’s budget, which could affect ratio of administrative unit occupancy of UW Tower versus leased space to third parties. The Committee has received 38 proposals, indicating a good level of interest in relocating to the UW Tower, and potential release spaces. Pike stated that Student Services will remain on campus, and Schmidt Hall will remain a mixed-use building. The Committee will consider the 300,000 sq. ft. lease consolidation, and review administrative space options. Once UW Tower space use has been identified, the Committee will make its recommendations to the President and the Provost towards the end of June.

The School of Public Health and Community Medicine proposed raising funds for a new building, to be located at the current Annex 4 site, between J-Wing and NE Pacific Ave. This will bring indirect costs to UW campus rather than to Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center or SBRI, who have been providing research space.

Action Taken: Council thanked Pike for the update and requested another UW Tower update at the March 29 meeting.

4. Update on the Local Impacts of the Business School Addition (John Palewicz)
Palewicz handed out the Determination of Significance and Request for Comments on Scope of Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) on this project. The project is currently finalizing its schematic design, and LMN is considering the possible light pollution of the Business School Addition on the Observatory. Deadline for submitting comments to the SEIS is set for March 5, 2007. Schematic Design is due in the middle of March complete with rooms and windows layouts, and Palewicz will review layouts with Suzanne Hawley, Astronomy Chair.

Action Taken: Council thanked Palewicz for the update and invited him to return to the April Council meeting with SEIS comments.

5. HUB Renovation Plans (Lincoln Johnson, Randy Everett and Paul Zuchowski)
A comprehensive study of the HUB was conducted to assess issues and needs related to changing campus needs and lifestyles, the building’s aging infrastructure, and code compliance. Based on first hand experience of student leadership, a RFQ was drafted, revised, and published in the DJC. Eleven bids were received. The Architectural Commission interviewed the three firms short listed, and selected Perkins+Will in December 2006. Two faculty, two staff and student representatives will travel to UCLA, UCSD and SD State at the end of summer to gather ideas for the renovation. Ground breaking on this project is anticipated to take place in 2011. This project will be funded by student fees. Pre-design presentations will be made to the campus Architectural Commission, the Landscape Advisory Committee and reviewed for compliance with the Campus Master Plan. Admissions, Advising and Counseling offices will not be relocated to the HUB, though Crime Prevention might move there. The Focus Group meeting in April will have one staff representative, which may be combined with faculty representation.

Action Taken: Council thanked Johnson, Everett and Zuchowski for the informative presentation.
6. Resolutions and Recommendations

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

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Present: Faculty members: Balick, Chizeck, Little, Moore, Schaufelberger, Treser
Other ex officio members: Chamberlin, Pike, Schoen

Absent: Faculty members: Berry, Gates
President’s designee: Kennedy

Guests: Steve Buck, Professor and Chair, Psychology; Randy Everett, Project Assignment, Capital Projects Office; Lincoln Johnson, Director, Student Activities and Union Facilities; John Palewicz, Director, Capital Projects Central, Capital Projects Office; John Seidelmann, Senior Facilities Planner, Capital and Space Planning; Paul Zuchowski, Associate Director, Student Activities and Union Facilities.