Institutes Advisory Committees – Initial Joint Meeting
May 18, 2017
Minutes

• Welcome

• In Attendance:
  o Kianna Brown
  o Wallace Mazon
  o Gian Mattei Soto
  o Jaron Jones
  o Diana Moreno
  o Christopher Wilde
  o Steven Baldizon
  o Edward Zambrano
  o Meriza Candia
  o Talia Rogers

• On Skype:
  o Jordan Rhodes
  o Sebastian Wright
  o Jose Miranda
  o Dwayne Fletcher
  o Lina Guerra
  o Robert Lemus
  o Mike Lindsey (Designer)

• On Phone:
  o Carla Rodriguez
  o Chris Asore (Designer)
  o Elda Auxiliaire
  o Tiffany Chatmon

• Role of Advisory Committees (Will)
  o 11 people per committee
  o Gabe will lead IHLC; Will will lead IBC
  o Ask good questions
  o Think broad and specific
  o Time commitment; meet on a regular basis
  o Long-standing tradition (sustainable and long-term)
  o Bring your voice and others
  o Organizational objectives (OO) rather than personal preferences (PP)
    • Purpose of the Institutes
    • Represent the community

• Core Committee (Gabe)
  o UF employees oversee design and construction
Approval from:
  - TAPS (parking)
  - Lakes, Vegetation and Landscape (trees, etc.)
  - Historic preservation
  - Meets weekly to discuss budget and design

- Architects (Chris)
  - Try and take all the input from the users and put it into a concept
  - In the process of meeting and hearing committees

- Survey Results (Will)
  - Purpose: Social, Advocacy, Development, and Empowering
  - Excitement: Lasting, Well-constructed, Technology, Preserving
  - Concerns: Vandalism, Transparency, Funding, Being attached, Identity
  - Engagement: Programming, Community building, Social, Outreach, Mentorship
  - Informed: Updates, Graphics, Newsletter, Studies, Listserv, Social Media

- Context of the Project (Gabe)
  - Timeline
    - Funds from Capital Investment Trust Fund (CITF)-$3.3 million
    - $5.3 million in total for both Institutes (from CITF)
  - Vision
    - Invest in the future
    - Your voice matters
    - Institutes needs to be sustainable
    - Only have one chance to make this right

- Priorities of the Institutes
  - Functional and healthy spaces
  - Open Space
    - Outlets
    - Movable tables and chairs
    - Movable walls
  - Balance social and academic spaces
  - Consider sound (sound-proof for social spaces)
  - Historic preservation (showcases history)
  - Cultural library/exhibit space
  - Accessibility
  - Meeting spaces
  - Study spaces
  - Event spaces
  - Kitchen/Cooking spaces (Refrigerator)
  - Technology upgrade (TVs, computers, etc.)
  - Outside spaces (courtyard)
    - Tables and chairs
  - Multiple restrooms and gender-inclusive restrooms
  - Office space vs. student spaces (more student spaces)
- Rumors/Concerns
  - Combined spaces
  - Shared spaces
  - Believed shared spaces was for the elevator
  - Bathroom stalls
  - Large assembly space
  - Home feel/Modern
  - Feasible
  - See what’s possible in the budget
  - Large assembly space vs. elevator connection room
  - Not identical
  - Lack of identity
  - Multicultural space
  - 2 possible elevators
  - Miscommunication
    - Architects will be able to give us answers and progress next meeting
    - Bringing old floor plans of the Institutes
    - Email Will with any issues about the Institutes

- Next Steps
  - Share/Sign-up for listserv
  - Social Media with updates for the Institutes
  - Dashboard update
  - Public input (Meetings)
  - Polls/Surveys
  - Small group then target 3 possible decisions
  - Meetings with surveys and polls
    - Structured meetings
  - Decisions of specific information for meetings and social media
  - Good advertisement for meetings, listserv, and surveys
  - Encourage to follow Facebook page

- Record meetings
- Share notes of meetings
- Thursday at 5:30 p.m. works for most (excluding Gian-class from 5 to 6:15pm)