

Senate Growth and Development Committee  
Meeting Minutes 9.7.18  
10:00-11:00am  
Senate Conference Room, Hall Building

Present: Robert Bird, Michelle Judge, Jeffrey Shoulson, Joerg Graf, Faquir Jain, Andrew Moiseff, Carl Rivers, Ben Christiansen, Ming-Hui Chen, Johnny Banks

Introductions were made with individual's brief backgrounds and experience on the committee.

The committee first explored the process that the committee would use in gathering information. The committee discussed that we should decide what will and what major strategic issues we will examine. The committee noted that the university is in a time of significant transition, with two dean searches, a president search, a foundation head search, and a new provost as examples of this transition.

The committee agreed that the challenges of physical space available on campus, including both classroom and non-classroom spaces, would be once focus on the committee. The emphasis would be on not only the need for additional space, but to investigate ways how various units can use the space better and what innovations can be diffused throughout the university. The committee also highlighted the importance of understanding practices of our peer institutions in order to model and integrate space innovations occurring at other universities. We also discussed non-UConn invitees that would be willing to speak with us about best practices at other locations.

Toward that end, the committee will consider inviting the following campus members to our meetings:

Laura Cruickshank, AVP, Master Planner and Chief Architect  
Radenka Maric, VP for Research  
Deb Shelby, Associate Vice Provost for Academic Operations  
Peter Diplock, chair of a university working group on classroom usage  
Terrence Cheng, director of the Stamford campus

Other subjects will be considered as need arises and time is available.

The committee adjourned at 10:54am.