

GBDC Interior Committee Minutes
March 20, 2009

On March 20, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. the GBDC Interior Committee met for the first time to discuss the interior décor for the Global Business Development Center that is under construction. Jim Lay and Donna Wood co-chaired the committee.

Members present: Jim Lay, Donna Wood, George Tanner, Marshall McCall, Pam Kanakis, Brenda Pittman for Rick Mayes, and Barbara McBride.

Members absent: Kelley Rose, Cristy Stamps, and Rebecca Hudson

Introductions were made and Jim Lay and Donna Wood explained the purpose of the committee and the progress that had been made so far. Jim stated the footing would be poured next week and following that the slab would be poured. Before the slab could be poured, the cabling would be laid and in order to find the locations for the cabling, the furniture dimensions would need to be identified for placement of the outlets.

Discussion ensued as to whether to purchase tables that would lower computer monitors from the line of sight vs. flat tables with trays at the front for cabling. The consensus was that flat tables be purchased because of the expense associated with maintenance for tables with moving parts. It was recommended that laptops be purchased with a large docking station for check out purposes for each non-dedicated lab. The dedicated labs are on the first floor in the east wing. The three dedicated labs are: Database Lab, Networking Lab, and CAD Lab for instructional purposes. There is a multi-purposes lab that will be regarded as a dedicated lab. The remainder of the classrooms will be considered non-dedicated labs. It was recommended that because next week was Spring Break, we meet again on Monday, March 30th at 9:00 a.m. to give each committee representative time to bring recommendations back to the committee for action.

Following this, discussion was held for the color of the millwork and doors throughout the building. The color options presented by Richard Alderman, architect for the building, were a light color wood and a medium-dark color wood. It was noted that the light color wood would fit the contemporary building style more so than the medium-dark wood which is more traditional. Comments followed regarding whether to: 1) stay with the colors of other building furnishings on campus and to 2) consider that furniture from buildings may be shifted and that we could end up with a hodge-podge of wood furniture colors. It was noted that the Student Center furnishings were different from Burns Hall and the color scheme was updated from Burns Hall. It was also noted that the Art Committee Chair should be a member of this committee. It was decided to get feedback for color and bring a recommendation back to the committee for action.

The weekly meeting time was decided for Fridays at 9:00 a.m. in A212 of Shewmaker. Some Fridays we may not need to meet.

Because of the need for a decision for wood color and table styles for the classrooms, it was decided to meet on **Monday, March 30 at 9:00 a.m. in A212** to send forward recommendations from the committee.

Following adjournment at 2:00, the group walked to a classroom in Shewmaker to see tables with the monitor area below the line of sight. Consensus was still in favor of flat tables with laptop computers.

Submitted by: D. Wood, 3/24/09