

**Land Use Committee  
November 1, 2017  
Burns Hall 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Board Room  
Meeting Minutes**

**Members Present:** Joe Spivey - Chair, Dr. Evelyn Jorgenson, Herbert Morales, Diane Boss, Debi Buckley, Eric Smith, Jim Lay, Jack Thompson, Jerry Vervack, Howard Slinkard, Laurie Scott

**Members Absent:** Mike Shupe, Dr. Ricky Tompkins, Brenda Green, Carey Chaney

**Guests:** Melissa Gute, Lisa Anderson, Dena Stone, Brad Place, Scott Leonard, John Langham, Mark Herrmann, Carl Collier, Denton Weddle

Chair Joe Spivey called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

Mr. Spivey recognized Mr. Slinkard, past chair of both the Board of Trustees and Land Use Committee. Mr. Spivey welcomed Carl Collier and Laurie Scott.

### **Informational Items**

#### **Introduction of architects**

- Debi Buckley introduced the College's architects:
  - On-call architects
    - John Langham – WER Architects/Planners
    - Mark Herrmann – Polk, Stanley, Wilcox Architects
  - Integrated Design Lab
    - Brad Place & Scott Leonard – SCM Architects

#### **Integrated Design Lab**

- Debi Buckley provided the group with a brief update on the Integrated Design Lab:
  - The project is in initial planning stages. Architects are creating bubble diagrams.
  - Donation opportunities are being explored.
  - Construction Management and the Visual Arts department are collaborating on an integrated degree plan.
  - All students pursuing the integrated plan will have an opportunity for NCCER certification.

Mr. Spivey noted that end goals of job creation, improving the quality of life in Northwest Arkansas, and improving the tax base are in mind when developing new campus projects.

#### **Status of I-49 project**

- Jim Lay provided the group with an update on roadwork construction near the College.
  - The I-49 project will continue until at least the middle of 2018. Northbound and southbound access to the interstate will change.
  - A lighted tunnel near the walking trail is completed.
  - The City of Bentonville will continue work on both the 8<sup>th</sup> Street and Watertower Road projects.

#### **Action Items**

##### **Approval of the designation of Nabholz Construction to serve as the project general contractor for the Integrated Design Lab.**

- The College received ten responses to requests for qualifications for Integrated Design Lab general contractors. The President appointed a selection committee that reviewed all submissions, interviewed and evaluated the top four candidates. The selection process ensured compliance with State of Arkansas capital construction policies and procedures. The selection committee designated Nabholz Construction as the top candidate.

#### **Recommendation for approval**

Mr. Spivey asked for a motion to recommend the selection of Nabholz Construction as the project general contractor for the Integrated Design Lab. Debi Buckley made a motion that the Land Use Committee accept Nabholz Construction as the IDL project general contractor. Mr. Spivey called the question to vote. Vote: approved unanimously. All approved the motion to present the request for approval to the NWACC Board of Trustees.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.  
Recorded by Todd Glass