

GEOGRAPHY & EARTH SCIENCE MEETING NOTES

PROJECT: University of Wisconsin – La Crosse
PRAIRIE SPRINGS SCIENCE CENTER – PHASE II
La Crosse, WI

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MEETING DATE: May 14, 2021

MEETING TIME: 10:30a – 12:00p

ATTENDANCE:

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GENERAL DISCUSSION:

1. Space allocation summary was presented for review and comment. Approved as indicated.
2. Office locations are for quantity tracking purposes. Colin noted the concern of being separated between the east and west sides of the building rather than being together.
3. The overall planning of the GIS Labs was reviewed and discussed. The following items were noted:
 - a. Architectural/Layout
 - Flat floor arrangement preferred as illustrated in southern lab. Visit by faculty of spaces in Wittich Hall helped. Similar to labs in Phase 1.
 - Concern expressed with circulation space in north lab.
 - Two monitors at each station.
 - Preference would be for each room to be the same size and shape.

4. The Introductory GIS Lab was reviewed and discussed. The following items were noted:
 - a. Architectural/Layout
 - Colin: Walls used to showcase student work.
 - Demo table for map viewing (3'x4'). Magnetic surface at markerboards could also be used for map display.
 - Cart access into room needed. Door + half similar to labs in Phase 1.
 - Design team to develop layout options.
 - b. Plumbing & Fire Protection
 - No specific requirements noted.
 - c. HVAC
 - No specific requirements noted.
 - d. Electrical/Telecom
 - No specific requirements noted.
 - Card access required.
 - e. Audio-Visual
 - Colin: East wall for single projection screen in lieu of flat panel displays. Retain infrastructure for future monitors.
 - Cynthia: Simultaneous use of marker board and screen. Off-centered screen acceptable.
 - Ability to push content to student stations and/or student content to main screen.
 - No capture device required.
5. The GIS Support Space was reviewed and discussed. The following items were noted:
 - a. Map cabinets are metal and could be re-used.
 - b. Storage cabinets are needed. Not required to be lab casework materials. Used for storing technology and peripherals.
 - c. Retain floor space for cart storage.
 - d. 1/3 tall cabinets, 1/3 countertop and cabinets, and 1/3 open floor storage.
 - e. Map drawers with counter on top.
 - f. No sink required.
 - g. Retain doors from support space into the labs.
 - h. 3 to 4 computers.
 - i. Adjacency to labs important.
 - j. Card access required.
6. The Lab Manager Office was reviewed and discussed. The following items were noted:
 - a. Abundant power and data jacks at computer work area with built-in shelving area above for displays.
 - b. Potential for electronics workbench.
7. The Dry Lab Research was reviewed and discussed. The following items were noted:
 - a. Colin: Separation between stations desired. Two 300sf spaces instead of one space.
 - b. Location pending development of layout options of the GIS labs.
 - c. Card access required.

8. The Faculty/Student Research was reviewed and discussed. The following items were noted:
 - a. Cynthia expressed concern of location of the research lab. Switch locations with the Dry Research Lab.
 - b. Functional relationship between GIS labs and the research area.
 - c. Group tables as illustrated are desirable.
 - d. Location pending development of layout options of the GIS labs.
 - e. Two clusters of workstations. Dual monitors at smaller stations.
 - f. Single monitor in lieu of two at collaboration tables.
 - g. Coat hook area or cubbies desired.
 - h. Card access required.
9. The Shared Printing Rooms were reviewed and discussed. The following items were noted:
 - a. Colin: Resources of laminator, cutter, etc. in multiple locations? Scott noted that some of these rooms may have a different function if printing isn't needed.
10. The Testing Rooms were reviewed and discussed. The following items were noted:
 - a. Colin: Separation of the stations needed.
11. The Reception Area was reviewed and discussed. The following items were noted:
 - a. Colin: Prefers the ADA to be the first point of contact.
 - b. Colin: Doesn't want a fish bowl appearance with glass on multiple sides. Illustration presented would be acceptable.
12. The Storage/Work Room was reviewed and discussed. The following items were noted:
 - a. Colin: Cap and gown storage needed.
13. Refer to attached drawings for additional review comments recorded during the meeting.
14. Equipment anticipated to be provided outside of the construction contract to be itemized using an online database. SmithGroup to provide link and instructions to SharePoint site. UWL to designate key personnel that will populate these lists with the appropriate equipment.

ACTION ITEMS SUMMARY		
-	No action items noted.	-

Note: This constitutes our understanding of the issues presented. Contact River Architects, Inc. via phone at (608) 785-2217, or e-mail m.adler@river-architects.com if there are any discrepancies.