

Advanced Technology/Technical Trades Wing Renovation Committee
May 28, 2024

Present: D. Alexander; A. Chapman; E. Dominianni; M. Dunneback; P. Eagan; T. Labadie; B. Lueth; G. Pestun;
A. Siebers; V. Warkoczeski

Absent: Dr. Washington

Minutes from March 26, 2024 were approved; motion by Annette, support from Tracy.

Gantt Chart Review

Dannie thanked Annette for creating the Gantt chart. Additional discussion highlights are below:

- Chart is a tool to track progress with updates being incorporated as indicated
- The document will be shared with the committee
- Individual tabs will be created for each workgroup of the committee
 - Planning/Design
 - Construction
 - Fundraising
- Members are asked to advise of any suggestions, etc. for the chart

Fundraising Update

- Current processes underway include
 - Compiling list of
 - “closest friends,” those with whom the college has established relationships
 - Dannie will share the Vendor list
 - “Not-so-close friends,” those individuals/companies who will be impacted by the project
 - Alisha indicated that input may be needed in determining what would be the most effective donation amount to pursue
 - Conversations with Federal Options
 - Economic Development Administration (Lee Shirey)
 - Possible \$2.5 grant
 - In process of determining if the project fits within the designated geographic area
 - Department of Energy Community Engagement
 - Meeting with Bobby Boyd today
 - Conversations with Foundations
 - Stryker Johnson will take place in the fall
 - Upjohn Foundation, possible \$20K
 - Kalamazoo Community Foundation Funders
 - Individuals representing local organizations that provide support to various projects
 - KVCC is hosting meeting in August
 - Drafting Case for Support/Grant application language
- Case Outline Review/Discussion
 - 3 main collateral pieces be planned
 - Thorough “white paper” that would be utilized for grants and potential funding opportunities that require more detailed information
 - A streamlined, attractive brochure that would capture effective data/narrative/pictures
 - A one-page document with concise information

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- Data
 - Working with Upjohn Institute relative to future employment needs
 - Per discussion, will request data for service area for next five years
- "Our Response" Discussion
 - Projections for future programs
 - Balance faculty input
 - Be cognizant of strategic alignment relative to number of additional students that could be accommodated
 - What is needed v. who would come
- "Community Response" Discussion
 - Upskill in place
 - KVCC/KRESA partnership
 - Alisha to follow up with Dr. Washington
- "Our Students" Discussion
 - Have numerous stories/videos
 - Vet apprenticeship numbers with Evan and LaJoyce
 - Endorsements from employers/partners
- State of the Art Facilities (Discussion)
 - Emphasize flexibility in design to accommodate multiple programs
 - Renovation v. expansion
 - Integration of all trades programs
 - Niche/distinctives
 - Battery environment
 - Repair of equipment to service
 - EV mobility (green lawnmower)
 - Autonomous driving
 - Construction environment
 - Internet connectivity (DENSO)
 - Innovative materials/processes
- Communication Strategy
 - Website
 - KVFocus+ as indicated
 - Talking points
 - To be linked to website
 - Draft plan to be reviewed at next meeting

Other

- Planning/Design Workgroup will discuss possible site visits at upcoming meeting
- Conceptual Piece
 - In development
 - Has been reviewed by Dr. Washington
- RFP
 - Hopefully to be out by first of July

Next meeting, Tuesday, June 25, 9 a.m., Board Room