University Space Priorities Working Group
Meeting Summary

Meeting Date: December 11, 2013

Members in attendance: Sewin Chan, Mary Cowman, Wen-Jui Han, Angela Kamer, Marty Kurth, Larry Maslon, Andy Schotter, Dennis Smith, Matt Stanley, David Vintinner, Larry White, Diane Yu (via phone)

1. Call to order and logistical announcements

   In addition to the attendees listed above, Michael Patullo attended as staff coordinator for the Working Group.

2. Reports from Subcommittees

   Academic and Non-Academic Space
   Members of the Space Subcommittee presented updated information with regard to academic needs for space in a number of specific categories. These areas included:

   - Housing for graduate and undergraduate students
   - Housing for faculty
   - Converting leased spaces
   - Undertaking a building project in stages
   - Incentive programs for faculty

   Finance
   The Finance Subcommittee provided data on the differences between a proposed Coles Site building in relation to the original building that was accounted for in the University’s capital spending and financing plan. The Working Group considered the effects of any differences on the larger $3 billion University capital plan, not just on the specific budget for construction.

   Stewardship and Quality of Life
   The Stewardship and Quality of Life Subcommittee reported that some of its members attended a recent meeting of Community Board #2, at which the recommendations of the Open Space Oversight Organization were introduced. The subcommittee also discussed
whether or not the University should have any obligation to the residents of 505 LaGuardia Place.

3. Review of options from Space Subcommittee and final recommendation

The Working Group discussed the options presented by the Space Subcommittee extensively, including the benefits and drawbacks of building to the maximum envelope allowed. Votes were taken on the specific amounts of space and the results will form the main recommendations in the Final Report.

4. Review Quality of Life Subcommittee recommendation for post-Working Group committee

The Working Group agreed to revisit this topic at its next meeting, due to time constraints.