KRELF Committee Meeting May 1, 2012 2:00-3:00 PM UC 216


Members Absent: Bryan Nickerson, Ada Montague

1. Accessible Drinking Water Initiative
   a. Because the proposal asks for exactly what we wanted last semester, we should approve.
   b. Approve at amount request $1,400, with request to minimize cost of water bottles and KRELF logos be placed on all water bottles. $200 supplies budget to be transferred to Residence Life.
   c. Residence Life can select the faucet among the options provided in the proposal.
   d. Unanimously approved

2. Recycle Right
   a. Len: seems like a modest request for an outreach position and some bins. Robin: some concern over fee bleed because recycling has their own fee.
   b. Len moves to approve as submitted. Luke seconds. Unanimously approved

3. Third Time’s a Charm
   b. Luke moves to approve as submitted. Dennis seconds. Unanimously approved. Len abstained

4. UM FLAT Programmable Thermostat

5. Pedal Power PA System for the UC
   a. Sounds like a fun opportunity, but the ability to generate the income to repay the loan is somewhat questionable. Dennis says give the UC the benefit of the doubt that they will be able to generate the business to repay the loan as anticipated.

6. Piping Insulation in the Student Recreation Center
   a. Dennis moved to approve as submitted. Clay seconds.
   b. Discussion: Tom suggests that the payback will be even faster than the proposal suggests. This is straight out of the McKinstry audit which suggests a 7.6 year payback. Tom recommends we structure the loan for an 8 year payback.
   c. Robin amends motion and proposal to allow 8 year payback. Dennis seconds. Unanimously approved payback period amendment to 8 years from 7.6 years. Len abstains.
d. Motion to approve proposal with an 8 year payback unanimously approved. Len abstains.

7. Photovoltaic Energy System for the UM Fitness and Recreation Center
   a. Dennis moves to deny because the proposal is not cost effective. Dennis believes the panels will wear out in 40 years but have a 72 year payback. Len encouraged his students to proceed with this proposal because UM has no other efforts to find alternative sources of energy, but understands Dennis’s concern.

8. UC Recycling Containers (and program) Upgrade
   a. Len suggests funding new bins for the first floor of the UC alone, instead of all three floors, as an initial step. If the program is successful then UC can come back to ask for more funding for other floors. The first floor would have 20 containers which would cost $2500-$3000.
   b. Committee will vote via email after getting more information and deciding about ASUM lighting proposal. Delaying the vote will allow the committee to better assess how much KRELF funds remain available this year. Email vote will occur before the end of the semester.
   c. Tabling unanimously agreed upon without formal vote.

8. POOL
   a. Grizzly Pool is only drained once every other year and it will be drained in three weeks. The work necessary to prepare for the lighting upgrade cannot be completed in that time. There is not enough time to complete this project within the year as required by KRELF bylaws.

9. Smart Buildings Initiative
   a. ASUM passed a resolution asking KRELF to fund the Smart Buildings Initiative up to $100,000
   b. Dennis suggests we give $30,000 because student representatives requested this and it is a student fee. Len offers that we can approve this year’s allocation, but can’t guarantee subsequent years.

10. UM FLAT Off-Grid PV
    a. Len moves to table because there are some design changes. Clay moves to table. Emerald Seconds. Unanimously approved. Clay and Len abstain.

11. UM FLAT Washer/Dryer
12. ASUM Office Lighting Retrofits and Daylight Sensors
   a. Emerald believes there may have been changes in the reconstruction budget that may affect this project. We will hold the proposal we until get more information from ASUM what exactly they need now, how much would be a grant, and how much would be a loan. Stacy ask Zach Brown to reassess and determine if the proposal can proceed.
   b. Upon communication with ASUM President Zach Brown, it is no longer feasible for ASUM to install more efficient lights or daylight sensors. The proposal is withdrawn on May 9, 2012.

   a. Emerald moves to approve as submitted. Dennis seconds. Unanimously approved. Len abstained.

Adjourned 3:15 PM