



Staff Senate Meeting May 7, 2008

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The May 7, 2008 Staff Senate session included the following items:

Speakers:

The Chair opened the session by introducing Charles Leffler, Vice Chancellor of Finance and Business and Bob Fraser, Associate Vice Chancellor Centennial Campus of North Carolina State University.

Mr. Leffler and Mr. Fraser presented on Centennial Campus and the Dorothea Dix properties. The disposition of the Dix property is very important to the future development of the Centennial Campus. As the largest contiguous neighbor, NC State University should play a central role in the planning and ultimate land uses.

- NC State University regards the disposition of the property as a process and not as an event. The use of the land and the improvements will occur over time and should be planned within this context. The State of North Carolina should retain underlying ownership of the land even though it may be reallocated or leased.
- Parkland is a good neighbor for the University as evidenced by Pullen Park. A park allocation of approximately 200 acres should be a key component of the disposition of the Dix property based on a park master plan and funding strategy.
- DHHS should remain on site (approximately 25 acres) and their operations should be consolidated, if appropriate. The density associated with their occupancy should be complementary to downtown Raleigh redevelopment. Long-term use of this land should be determined as part of the master plan process. Any development associated with DHHS should be a model of sustainability. New construction should utilize previously developed sites.
- The Farmers Market should remain in its current location. Ideally, further retail infill development should take place on the site. This development should be part of the master plan and complementary to the adjacent parkland and should enhance the viability of the Farmers Market operation.
- There should be a residential and office component (approximately 70 acres) to the Dix master plan that enhances the “live, work and play” nature of the site.
- Parking and transportation planning for the Dix property should be coordinated and include NC State.

Announcements:

Need Summer Care? - Take advantage of our **Virtual Child Care Resource Center** to search for summer camps or programs for your children during the summer: www.fis.ncsu.edu/benefits/child_care/default.asp You can also find various educational opportunities through the Wake County Public Schools at: www.wcpss.net/school_to_career/summer_camp

NC State University Staff Well-Being Survey - The Staff Well-Being Survey had about a 50% response rate, which is a great turnout.

“New” Computers – The Resource and Environment Committee has secured some “new” computers for the computer loan program. Eligibility in the program is initially limited to permanent employees in pay grades 59 and below.

Officers for the 2007-2008 Staff Senate:

Chair	Gail Willis
Chair-elect	Laura Massengill
Vice-chair	Michelle Healey
Parliamentarian	Marty Moody

Staff Senate Updates

June 4, 2008
Staff Senate Retreat
McKimmon Center
9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

July Staff Senate Meeting Changed!
Due to the July 4th holiday, the July Staff Senate meeting date has been changed to **July 9** - Faculty/Senate Chambers from 10:00 - 12:00.

Staff Senate Contact Information:

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