

Finance Committee Minutes
Haverhill Campus, Student Center, Room SC 106
December 3, 2014

Attendees: Andy Morse, Despina Lambropoulos, Rick Haskell, Regina Correia-Branco, Allan Hislop, Chuck Phair, Tom Gorczyca, Marie Burchell, Cristina Nuncio, Kelsey Terry, Linda Buckley
Guest: David Gingerella

Chair Andy Morse called the meeting to order at 2:00pm. The minutes of December 3rd meeting were approved.

Police Academy: David Gingerella, Vice President for Admin. and Finance, spoke to the committee about the new Haverhill Police Academy, which will enroll 40 to 45 recruits. The academy will begin functioning on campus in February, using one E building classroom. We will have a full-time Methuen police officer on campus five days a week. The recruits will have parking stickers, and use of Jitters, the book store, and the gym. The presence of recruits and cruisers on campus will be a wonderful deterrent. When the academy is transferred to Lawrence in conjunction with the new police station, we hope to coordinate this with our criminal justice program. Until the needed \$74 mil. is funded for this program, the academy will most likely remain in Haverhill.

Solar Panels: Currently, there are no plans to put solar panels on campus. We are talking about getting solar credits and are in line to acquire a significant amount of electricity in Lawrence from a solar farm.

Spurk: The college has an extremely positive relationship with DCAMM. We were the first to enroll in the energy efficiency project, resulting in a significant utility savings. Of the 35 mil. bond issue, 27 mil. was used for the Allied Tech Building, leaving 7mil. for Spurk. This would not allow us to do all of the work needed. President Glenn and David met with Commissioner Cornelison and received an additional funding of \$8.3 mil. With \$15.3 mil., we will be able to do the following: improve air quality, provide air-conditioning throughout, upgrade bathrooms, replace windows, and improve the entry way. Lecture Hall A is being made handicap accessible, with new seating to accommodate large gatherings, but will not be made into a black box. The third floor theater will also be improved. The planning process has begun with the hope of starting work in Jan. of 2016, with half of the building off-line in the Spring of 2016, and the entire building will be completely off-line during the summer break. Then work on the other half will begin in the Fall, with possible completion in the Spring of 2017. It is going to be a major inconvenience for people for up to a year and a half.

Dimitry: A \$6 mil. Project is being planned to replace siding and windows in the Spring and Summer of 2017. This project has not yet received funding so we do not have a starting date.

Enrollment: The decline in Spring enrollment remains similar to the Fall, but with a slight improvement. With aggressive marketing, we hope to enroll students from the significantly underserved Lawrence community.

Questions for President Glenn: With the enrollment update, how can we enhance our position in regard to the state's funding formula? Are there any long-term problems due to the high New Hampshire enrollment? Is the construction of new basement classrooms included in the budget and what areas will this cost effect?

Questions for Bill Heineman: Updates regarding: budgets, enrollment for the Allied Health, reduced down time for El Hefni, on-line course project with HEP, and success of January course pilot program.

Student concerns: Students were turned away from theater productions after waiting hours due to limited space. Is there any space on campus to build a theater?