

Meeting Minutes
Plant Utilization and Planning Committee
January 14, 2019
3-4:30 PM - 272 Hillman

1. Call to order
Kathy Kelly, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:01pm
2. Approval of December meeting minutes
After committee review of the draft meeting minutes, there was unanimous approval of the meeting minutes as written by all PUP committee members in attendance.
3. Grounds Update- Andy Moran
Andy Moran provided a comprehensive review of the functions of the Grounds Crew for the University of Pittsburgh; activities related to Sustainability Goals; and key facts and figures. The University was awarded the "Green Star" Award in 2018 for university campuses that are maintained at a high degree of excellence. Please refer to the attached summary for details.

Following the presentation, there was discussion regarding the crow migration from dusk to dawn that is occurring primarily in the area of the Cathedral of Learning, William Pitt Union, Carnegie Museum and Library, Heinz Chapel and the Hill District. Several efforts are underway to disperse the crows and the University has been in consultation with The Pittsburgh Aviary and other experts to resolve the issue.
4. Update on select major projects - Scott Bernotas
Scott Bernotas provided an update on several key projects across the campus in addition to the Campus Master Plan and preparation of the Institutional Master Plan for the City of Pittsburgh. Updates included: Hillman Library, Scaife Hall, newly proposed Rec Center; Victory Heights (Athletics); Bigelow Blvd. project; Litchfield Towers renovations; chilled water projects and One Bigelow. Please refer to the attachment for details.
5. Tracking and closing the loop on routine maintenance issues- Joseph Pastorik
Joseph Pastorik presented an overview of processes, procedures and infrastructure available for tracking and closing the loop on routine maintenance request as well as jobs/projects. He provided a demonstration of the capabilities via the Facilities Management website.
6. Announcements
 - *Faculty Assembly and Senate Committee elections will be held in the near future*
 - *Scott Bernotas informed the committee that the Forbes Avenue mid-block crosswalk at David Lawrence Hall is currently in progress with expected completion by summer 2019..*
 - *Cindy Tananis complimented the renovations to Posvar Hall as it relates to both the faculty and student experience.*
 - *Kathy Kelly extended best wishes to John Wilds who is retiring at the end of January 2019.*
 - *John Wilds shared his farewell comments to the committee.*

Kathy Kelly adjourned the meeting at 4:20pm.

Next meeting: Monday, February 18, 2019 – 3 PM [272 Hillman] - Update on Community Engagement Centers

Remaining PUP Meetings for 2019

- ❖ March 18
- ❖ April 15
- ❖ May 20
- ❖ June 17 – last meeting and PUP social

**Plant Utilization & Planning Committee
JANUARY 2019**

<i>Elected Members</i>	
Salah Al-Zaiti	
David Beck	Present
James Becker	
Jeanine Buchanich	Present
M. Kathleen Kelly, Co-Chair	Present
Debora Miller, Co-Chair	Present
Tracey Olanyk	Present
Patricia Roncevich	Present
Eugene Wagner	Present
<i>Student Representatives</i>	
Caroline Unger - SGB	
Sami Mian - GPSG	
Paula Paterlini - CGS	
<i>Staff Association Council</i>	
Bobbi Jo Rosol - CSSD	
<i>Pro-Tem members</i>	
Russell Clark - Physics & Astronomy, A&S	
Corey Flynn, Sports Medicine & Nutrition, SHRS	
Irene Frieze - Psychology, A&S	Present
Susanna Leers - Law	
Paul Munro - SCI	Present
Jay Sukits - Business	
<i>Chancellor's Liaisons</i>	
Scott Bernotas ** Associate Vice Chancellor Facilities Management	Present
David DeJong ** Executive Vice Provost Academic Planning & Resources Mgmt.	Present
Greg Scott** Sr. Vice Chancellor Business and Operations	
Aurora Sharrard Director of Sustainability	
Eli Shorak, Associate Vice Chancellor Business	
Paul Supowitz, Vice Chancellor Community & Governmental Relations	Present
John Wilds, Assistant Vice Chancellor Community Affairs	Present
<i>Senate Appointments</i>	
Chris Bonneau - Senate President	
Cindy Tananis - Senate Liaison	Present
Lori Molinaro	

GUESTS:

Kim Barlow – University Communications
Dan Fisher – Facilities Management
Joseph Pastorik – Facilities Management

** Primary liaison

Susan Jones – University Times
Andrew Moran - Facilities Management

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Fun Facts

34 Groundskeepers, 2 Assistant supervisors. 3 shifts, 24 hours/ day

We work out of Posvar and have satellite locations throughout campus.

Broken up into 10 zones and each zone has 1-3 employees.

There are 86 hanging baskets on campus in the summer

We maintain over 145 acres of property with over 32 miles of sidewalks and over 2,000 steps.

3,900 sq ft of flower beds, 22 acres of lawn, 5 acres of landscape beds

We won a Green Star Honor Awards for university campuses maintained to a high degree of excellence

We perform all types of grounds maintenance such as: litter cleanup, lawn mowing, fertilizing, new landscape installations, flower planting, tree pruning, leaf removal, lawn renovations, snow and ice removal and bird poop cleanup

Some Numbers-

In 2018, the Grounds Dept:

Planted 25,000 annuals, 4,000 pansies, 2,000 mums and 8,000 bulbs

We spread 500 yards of mulch.

We planted 4,243 perennial, shrubs and trees

We spread over 7,000 pounds of grass seed

The Grounds crew prepared for 73 soccer, softball and baseball games among the hundreds of practices.

Our crew volunteered about 100 hours of time to this year's Pitt's Day of Caring as well as landscape materials.

They also attended 26 training classes ranging for safety, equipment use and horticultural practices

Sustainability practices

- switching to battery power for smaller equipment such as blowers, weed eaters hedge trimmers
- we use organic fertilizers and organic weed control products as much as possible
- last summer goats were utilized for weed control on 4 acres of difficult terrain
- continue to switch our snow salt spreaders to drop spreaders instead of spinner

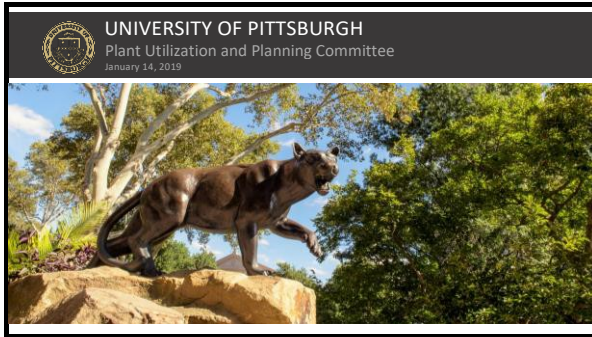
- irrigation systems have rain sensors
- use mulch that is dyed shredded hardwood instead of dyed chips which are mostly pallets and construction debris
- the grass seed we use is improved for drought resistance - turf type tall fescue
- when it comes time to plant, we always consider native plants first
- we are Accredited by Phipps Conservatory as a Sustainable Landcare institution which means we use best practices for sustainable grounds maintenance
- each year I work with 2 to 3 student groups to develop and implement outdoor sustainable projects such as tree plantings, pollinator gardens and rain gardens

The Goals my department has for Pitt's Sustainability plan are:

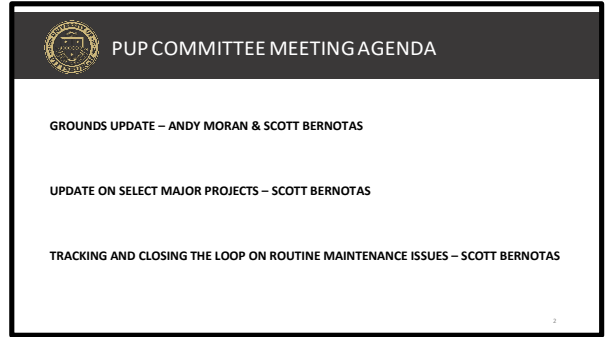
Increase tree canopy by 50% and reduce 15% of lawn.

We're well on our way – We transformed 6,000 sq ft of hillside lawn into a native ornamental grass bed as well as plant 78 new trees this year

The future vision of the Grounds Department is to continue to maintain a world class campus by using the most sustainable practices as well as new technologies. Our goal is to provide a beautiful campus for students, visitors and the public. Future landscape renovation projects around the Union and the Cathedral, as well as though out the campus, will only make the University of Pittsburgh campus more beautiful



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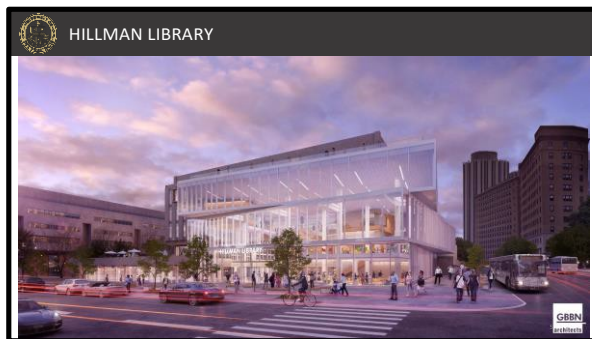
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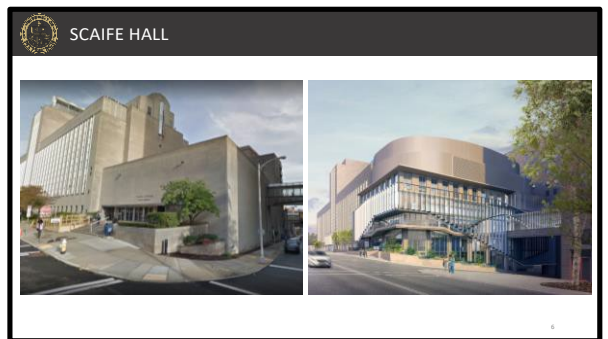
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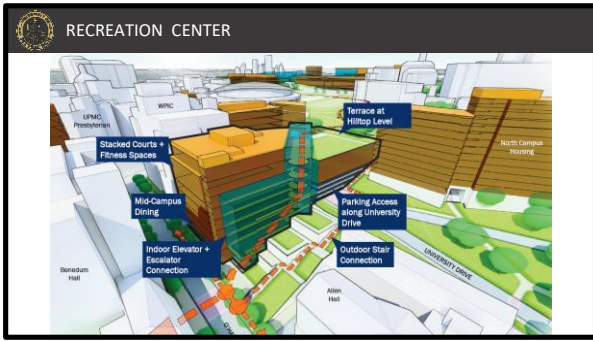
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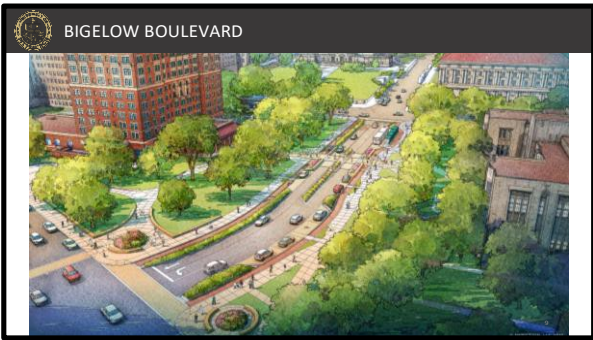
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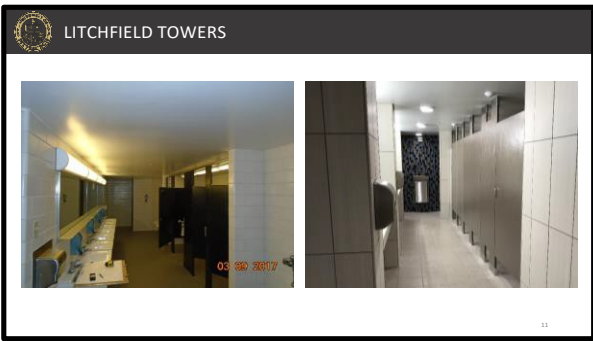
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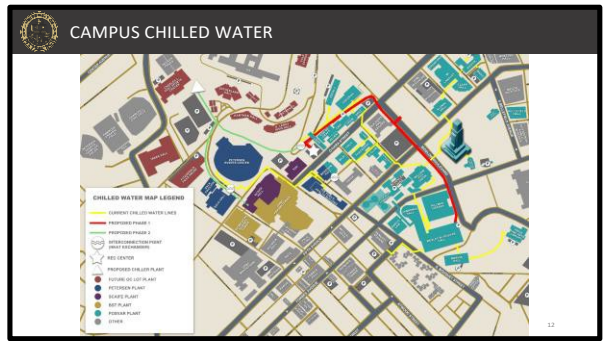
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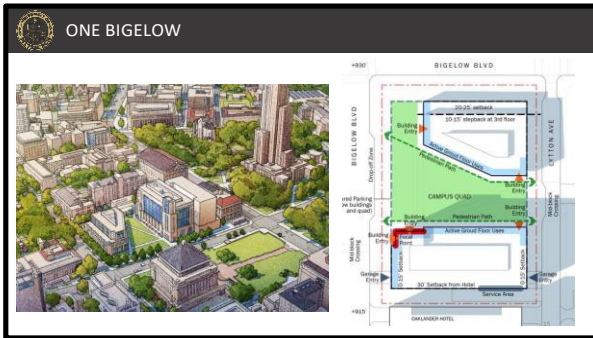
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Facility Managers Assignments

<p>Bob O'Malley(3-3134) 412-478-1869 <i>Bill Heller</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benedum Hall • Mascaro Center • Gardner Steel Center • GSPH-Parran Hall • GSPH-Crabtree Hall • GSPH Pavilion • Thackeray Hall 	<p>Phil Hieber (4-9546) 412-849-5654 <i>TimHavics</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cathedral of Learning • General Campus & Grounds • Heinz Chapel • Stephen Foster Memorial • 718 Devonshire Street 	<p>Rich Ferretti (4-9299) 412-495-6133 <i>Chris Niemann</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3343 Forbes Avenue • 480 Melwood Street • 530 Melwood Street • 7500 Thomas Blvd • Allegheny Observatory • Eureka Building • RIDC Computer Center • Salk Hall/Dental Clinic • Salk Annex
<p>Chris Niemann II (4-9529) 412-295-7020 <i>Roy Charlton</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barco Law Building • Craig Hall • David Lawrence hall • Falk School • Hillman Library • William Pitt Union • University Child Development Center 	<p>Tim Havics (4-8617) 412-225-9915 <i>Phil Hieber</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frick Fine Arts • Mervis Hall • Parking and Transportation • Sennott Square • Public Safety Building • Wesley Posvar Hall 	<p>Roy Charlton (8-9491) 412-260-7775 <i>Rich Ferretti</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athletics Fields • Bellfield Hall • Cost Sports Center • Fitzgerald Field House • LRDC • Petersen Events Center • Petersen Sports Complex • Pitt Sports Dome • Trees Hall
<p>Bill Heller (4-0283) 412-953-6264 <i>Bob O'Malley</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allen Hall • Chevron Science Center • Chevron Science Annex • Eberly Hall • Nuclear Physics • Old Engineering Hall • O'Hara Student Center • Space Research Center • Thaw Hall 	<p>Rich Ramsey (8-9190) 412-818-2083 <i>Dante Bonglorini</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biomedical Science Tower 3 • Center for Bioengineering • McGowan Center • Plum Bero Research • Regional Biocontainment Laboratory • Victoria Hall 	<p>Dante Bongiorno (4-9528) 412-510-1393 <i>Rich Ramsey</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alumni Hall • Clapp Hall • Crawford Hall • Forbes Tower • Music Building • School of Information Science • Langley Hall • Life Science Annex