

SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

SPACE COMMITTEE

FY2008-09 ANNUAL REPORT

The University Space Committee advises and makes recommendations to the President concerning the utilization and improvement of University spaces in accordance with the Facilities Master Plan and the mission of the University. The Committee's membership is represented by faculty, staff and students (membership list is attached). The Committee met monthly during the 2008-09 Academic Year and the meeting agendas and minutes for FY2008-09 are all available at <http://www.southernct.edu/finadm/committees/space>.

The following projects/areas were reviewed by the committee:

Projects that were carried forward from FY2007

- Moore Field House – Lobby and Locker room Phase I (*)
- Jennings Hall – Data Center upgrade (*)
- Earl Hall – Communication Department - new departmental entrance and reception area. (Awaiting funding \$400,000)
- University Police dispatch area – space should be redesigned to meet current safety and security requirements. Equipment and installation has been estimated at \$400,000. Further assessment is required to determine whether there is sufficient HVAC and electrical service to support the proposed equipment changes.

New Projects introduced during FY2008-09

- Jennings Hall – Convert Biology Department Room 244 to departmental conference room. Estimated cost is \$60,000 and funding source needs to be identified.
- Earl Hall – Redesign new entrance. A conceptual design was completed during the academic year and Facilities Planning will develop bid specifications. The Facilities Architect worked with art students in developing conceptual design.
- Pelz Gymnasium - Relocate coach's office from basement to first floor. Cost for construction and equipment is estimated at \$150,000. Project has been delayed in order to comply with CSUS 2020 procedures. Once inspected by an engineering service the project will be submitted to the Office of the State Building Inspector for approval. The project is expected to be completed in January 2010.
- Earl Hall Music Room – Upgrade classroom and equipment. Project was completed over the 2009 intersession at a cost of \$30,000. (*)
- Administrative and Classroom locks – The committee was advised regarding the installation of new door locks for offices and classrooms (*)

(*) Indicates the project was completed in FY2008-09

Throughout the year the committee discussed a wide range of space related topics including the recent legislation for CSUS 2020, Master Planning, Buley Library, wintergreen building space assessment study, and the design of a 1200 car garage in lot 7. One of the suggestions raised at the close of the year was that it might be an appropriate time for the University to update the inventory of existing classroom space.