Art and Architectural Review Board
Minutes
August 2, 2019
Patrick Henry Building, East Reading Room
1111 East Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23219

1.0 ADMINISTRATION

10:00am 1.1 CALL TO ORDER
Calder Loth, Member

Absent: Helen Wilson

1.2 PUBLIC COMMENT
AARB Meetings are open for public comment. Rules for public comment can be obtained from the Director, Department of General Services.

1.3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Motion to Approve: Ian Vaughan
Second: Lindsay Brittain
Passed: 4-0

1.4 OTHER BUSINESS

2.0 CONSENT AGENDA

10:10am

2.1 UVA – JAG School Balcony Renovation
The project scope is to enclose the existing balcony at the JAG School so it can be used as a Commander’s Office.

2.2 LU – High Power Speaker Array System Relocation (HPSA)
The existing High Power Speaker Array (HPSA) is located on the roof of Curry Residence Hall. The project consists of relocating the HPSA from Curry Hall to the Heat Plant roof. The HPSA is used for emergency messaging to campus and the new location will improve clarity of sound and be heard in a broader area populated by students.

2.3 VT – ACC Network Camera Towers: Softball, Soccer, Baseball Fields
The Virginia Tech Department of Athletics is adding three ACC Network Towers for digital cameras to record and broadcast athletic events. This project enhances the game-time experience by providing attendees with video-enhanced playback and scorekeeping functionality as well as broadcasting the events over the ACC Network for those not in attendance. The towers are located at the softball, soccer, and baseball fields.
2.4 LU – Admissions Building
The project is approximately 21,000 GSF of new construction, housed in two stories above grade. The proposed materials continue the traditional campus palette using red brick, white simulated-wood trim, precast concrete window sills, with a simulated-slate roof to match the existing residential fabric. Also included in the project is a visitor parking lot to accommodate 28 parking spaces and a small outdoor courtyard to orchestrate campus tours leaving the building. Longwood University has acquired an adjacent property to the site and a second outdoor courtyard is being added on the west side of the main presentation room.

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda: Lindsey Brittain
Second: Tom Papa
Approved: 5-0

3.0 PROJECT REVIEWS

3.1 GMU – West Core Switch Building – IT Infrastructure Upgrades
A 576 square foot, one story, New construction building to house switching equipment to serve future development on the west campus in Fairfax, Va.

Motion for Final Approval: Tom Papa
Second: Ian Vaughan
Passed: 5-0

3.2 VT – Rec Sports Non-Permanent Gym
Virginia Tech Recreational Sports is adding a non-permanent structure to support activities normally held in War Memorial Hall while conducting major renovations. This structure is necessary to continue to provide programming and services for recreational sports and for the expected increased on-campus student enrollment during this same period. As the entirety of the War Memorial Gym will be emptied for the major Capital Project renovation, there will be a lack of facilities that can accommodate this programming. In the non-permanent structure, we will prioritize intramural activities, martial arts, sport club practices and other recreational sports reservations. The non-permanent structure will be located on the existing Recreational Sports tennis courts at the Southern Recreational Fields off of Beamer Way. The existing fencing and lights will be removed and stored for the duration of the project and then replaced back to existing conditions afterwards. The existing surface will remain intact with a non-permanent second surface on top of the existing for the duration of the project. No utility work will be done that will damage the existing courts. The courts, lighting, and fencing will be restored to existing after Recreational Sports programming can be returned to War Memorial Gym.

Comments: A discussion was held in regards to the disposal of the temporary structure once construction of the permanent gym was complete. Board voted
to pass by the project vote awaiting clarification and project resumed once question was answered.

Motion to temporarily pass by: Tom Papa  
Second: Ian Vaughan  
Passed by temporarily: 5-0

Resumed and Motion for Final Approval: Tom Papa  
Second: Lindsay Brittain  
Passed: 5-0

3.3 VSU – Addition to MT Carter Building  
The proposed building will expand the Virginia State University agricultural research capabilities by adding a main open research lab, Food Safety & Microbiology research lab, Instrument & Analytical lab, two Prep labs, Test Kitchen with Sensory Testing Booths and Data collection, Intake & Mudroom with loading dock, Production, Processing and Food Development room, Learning Commons and break-out Areas with teleconferencing capabilities, multiple Collaboration spaces, a reconfigurable Multipurpose Auditorium with seating for up to 120 students, and 7 private faculty offices with open office spaces for 7 faculty or graduate students. Exterior site features include and outdoor learning area adjacent to the Multipurpose Auditorium. This learning area includes outdoor seating and vertical display teaching hardscape, and outdoor planters and display areas for research and demonstration. Also included is an outdoor seating and break area. Other site amenities include a main building entry plaza and associated building sidewalks, grade level loading dock and turnaround, parking and fenced refuse enclosure.

Comments: Consider refining window replacement.  
Motion for Preliminary Approval: Burt Pinnock  
Second: Tom Papa  
Passed: 5-0

3.4 VCU – Monroe Park Campus STEM Class Lab Building Phase I & II  
The project is proposed to be 7 stories above grade, including an enclosed mechanical penthouse, and 168,710 gross square feet (GSF) in total floor area. The building will utilize flat roofs and exterior façade materials that are compatible with the character of the adjacent site context. The project will include brick masonry, cast stone cornices, aluminum framed windows and local areas of curtainwall, louvers and metal panels.

Comments: DHR has been in direct consultation with VCU regarding this project and will further discuss design details.  
Motion for Final Approval: Burt Pinnock  
Second: Tom Papa  
Passed: 5-0
4.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS
**Next AARB Meeting is Friday, September 6, 2019. EAST READING ROOM, Patrick Henry Building.

5.0 MEETING ADJOURNED

Burt Pinnock, AARB Chair

Joe Damico, Director DGS