MEETING MINUTES: December 11, 2012
The Committee convened at 1:30 pm in the Training Room of Campus Services Building B for the quarterly Senior Capital Projects Update meeting. The following members were present:

Bill Eley  Randy Fullerton  Don Schroer
Jennifer Fabrick  Adrian Jackson  Alice Tarkington
Ron Foust  Fiona Riedl  Andrea Trinklein
Dawn Francis-Chewning  Brian Diener  Amanda Welter

I. Welcome and Project Updates  (Mike Mandl)
   a. Hospital Expansion
      The entire expansion is comprised of several interrelated projects, including:
      - Woodruff Circle realignment
      - Valet drop-off improvement
      - Clinic A access
      - Lowergate parking deck improvements
      - Visitor concourse
      - Hospital tower

      Site preparation for the new tower is underway, with excavation beginning, and continuing to a depth of 55 feet. Over the next several months, dump trucks will remove an estimated 20,000 loads of dirt from the site, making room for a 530-space underground parking structure. When work is complete, the main entrance for the hospital will be at the new tower; the current entrance will be for the emergency room only. Enclosed pedestrian bridges linking parking and care facilities will improve access both for pedestrians and for vehicles.

      The hospital tower project is now in the design phase. Excavation is scheduled to continue through August 2013. Construction of the underground parking deck is expected to take place September 2013 – June 2014, and tower construction July 2014 – January 2017. The project is funded in largest part through gifts, with the remainder coming from clinical revenue.

   b. Emory Point Update
      A few businesses have opened amidst final construction and several more are slated to open in January. Roughly three-quarters of the 443 residential units are occupied; 90% of residents work or study at Emory or the CDC.

      Phase 2 is expected to begin this summer, at the current site of the Emory Inn. This project is about half the size of the first phase, in terms of retail and residential space. There are no plans to build alternative lodging at a price point comparable to the Emory Inn, though it a possible option for the future.
c. Economic Outlook
Big challenges remain, but Emory has excellent value to deliver. Recognizing that the status quo is inadequate to the new environment, Emory continues to adapt. The institution hopes to engender a deeper understanding among its constituents of all the changes required, thereby involving more people in the solution.

II. Planning, Design, and Construction Process (Jen Fabrick)
a. Oxford East Village III
The new residence hall will replace Branham and East Halls, and reflect the style of East Village Alpha and Beta halls. The proposed site is bordered by North Emory, Hamill, and Pierce Streets, and by Haygood Avenue. The building will be L-shaped in plan, but the exact situation may shift according to a possible change with pedestrian-only traffic on Hamill.

b. Candler School of Theology Phase 2
Construction will begin as soon as school is over in May 2013. All academic space currently in Bishops Hall will move to the new building, as will the library from Pitts. Phase 2 will be complemented by renovation of the brick courtyard between Cannon Chapel and Bishops Hall. The stairs to Cannon Chapel will be reconstructed with higher risers and wider treads, resulting in a more gracious step-down which extends further into the courtyard. The new Candler entrance with terrace will be situated at the rim of the courtyard. Circular tree planters of pink marble will tie together the terrace and the courtyard. The project is expected to be complete by April 2014, in time for the school’s 100th anniversary.

III. Updates on Construction Projects
a. Health Sciences Research Building Update (Steve Lange)
The safety platform underneath the bridge has been removed. Over the next few weeks, the underside of the bridge will be finished. Work on the building interior is being carried out now, as well as breaking through the children’s hospital end of the bridge. Building electrical systems are being tested and balanced, and floors are being waxed. The project is on schedule for an April 17, 2013 opening.

b. Freshman Residence Hall 5 (Glenn Kulasiewicz)
A pathway has been built between the housing complex and the university center, providing students with a better and safer route between the residence halls and food services. Asbury Circle will be absorbed into the building site, so a temporary road has been built to allow vehicular access to the DUC loading dock, and will be open by December 21.

The new hall will be ready for occupancy by the fall of 2014; Student Housing offices will move in by the spring of that year.

c. Yerkes Dual Function Facility and Integrated Research Building (Keith Miller)
The dual function facility is a 3-story research lab situated against a hill, with each floor accessed at grade level. Interior masonry is finished; work on the exterior split-faced block continues.
The integrated research building is a 3-story addition on top of the two existing floors of the Yerkes neurosurgery building. It will include a new chiller to serve the Yerkes campus buildings.

d. **Oxford Library**
   The library renovation includes a 10,000 square foot addition to the existing 20,000 square foot building. The completed project will meet systems and space needs for additional students, and will address accessibility issues, putting the new entrance at the same level as the plaza. Utility work is 90% complete. Current work involves enclosing the addition and finishing the wooden trusses in the ceiling.

e. **Oxford Language Hall**  (Marguerite Abd El-Shahid)
   This historic renovation gets as close to the original building as possible, while adding space, an elevator and accessible facilities. Windows have been brought back to their original size and color, with embellished terra cotta hoods and granite window sills. These elements are repeated at the new entrance. Original hardwood floors have been harvested and used in the lobbies of both the original building and the addition. Inspections take place this week, and the entire project is expected to be complete by the end of the month.