

Richland County

Campus Reconfiguration Committee

July 31, 2023

The Richland County Campus Reconfiguration Committee convened on Monday, July 31, 2023 in person and via WebEx.

Committee members present included County Board Supervisors Marty Brewer, Richard McKee, Gary Manning, Linda Gentes, David Turk, and Steve Williamson. Supervisors Ingrid Glasbrenner, Bob Frank, and Julie Fleming were absent.

Richland County Board Chair Marty Brewer called the meeting to order at 5 PM with 6 of the 9 committee members present for the committee's first meeting.

Mayor Todd Coppernoll provided an update on current activities occurring within the City of Richland Center.

Brewer opened the floor to receive nominations for Committee Chairperson. Motion by Manning second by McKee to nominate Williamson as Chair. Motion by Brewer second by Williamson to nominate Turk as Chair. After asking three times and receiving no additional nominations for committee Chair, Brewer closed the floor for nominations and County Clerk Kalish distributed ballots for the election of officers. Attorney Windle served as the tabulator. Results from the first round of voting resulted in a tie between Turk and Williamson with each receiving three votes. County Clerk Kalish distributed a second set of ballots. Results from the second round of voting resulted in a tie between Turk and Williamson with each receiving three votes. County Clerk Kalish distributed a third set of ballots. Turk and Williamson provided a brief statement as to why they were interested in serving as committee chair. Results from the third round of voting resulted in a tie between Turk and Williamson with each receiving three votes. Williamson conceded and Turk declared Chair of the Campus Reconfiguration Committee. Brewer opened the floor to receive nominations for Committee Vice-Chairperson. Motion by Turk second by Gentes to nominate Williamson as Vice-Chair. After asking three times and receiving no additional nominations for committee Vice-Chair, Brewer closed the floor for nominations. Motion by Manning second by McKee to suspend the rules and cast a unanimous ballot for Williamson to serve as Vice-Chair. Motion carried and Williamson declared Vice-Chair of the Campus Reconfiguration Committee.

Zoning Administrator Bindl reviewed floodplain maps in relation to the campus property.

Brewer and Hochkammer recommended a formal process be in place for receiving proposals for the reconfiguration of the campus property. Discussion continued regarding the desired components of the proposals for the reconfiguration of the campus property. Consensus was received for staff to move forward with exploration of campus building feasibility and drafting a formal submittal process to bring back to committee for review and final approval.

Manning requested the removal of trees on campus property be placed on the next agenda.

Next meeting date set for August 15, 2023 at 6 PM at the Phoenix Center in Richland Center.

Motion by Manning second by McKee to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 5:59 PM.

Derek S. Kalish
Richland County Clerk