

Design Review Board Minutes  
Wednesday, March 16, 2011  
Pearl Hall, Room P130  
3:00 – 5:00 PM

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Alf Simon                      Edith Cherry                      Baker Morrow                      Devendra Contractor

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Mary Kenney                      Bob Doran                      Sue Mortier                      Michael Polikoff                      Amy Coburn

**PRESENTERS:**

Gary Todd (TODD)                      Michael Burkette (DPS) Sarah xxx (DPS)                      Matt Stein (ACC)

Notes prepared by Tabia Murray

***DESIGN REVIEW BOARD***

- ♦ Agenda Review
- ♦ Announcements

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**Project Presentation**

**Item:**                      ***Student Housing Presentation***

Presented by Gary Todd, Todd & Associates; Michael Burkett, Dekker Perich Sabatini; Sarah xxx, Dekker Perich Sabatini; Matt Stein, ACC.

**DRB Comments/ Questions:**

- Concern was raised regarding the funding model used for this student housing project. Want to discourage the University from having such a low cost/sf construction model.
- Bedrooms need to be flexible; the students need to be allowed to move the furniture around. ACC responded that all furniture is movable.
- What is the maintenance plan before UNM assumes the housing? ACC lease states that ACC will maintain housing in “Class A” condition. ACC is also committed to sharing a fixed revenue with UNM for 5 years. Years 6-50 ACC will share gross profits with UNM. Thus it is in their interest to maintain the housing at a high level.

- DRB wants assurance that ACC will build to LEED Silver standard. ACC is mandated to build to LEED Silver. Residents of ACC Student Housing will adhere to the same requirements as UNM Student Housing “Pathfinder – Student Handbook” and “Resident Life Agreement”.

#### **DRB Recommendations:**

##### *The Buildings:*

1. The revisions have done well to capture some of the un-used space for social spaces. Building A 4<sup>th</sup> Floor (north) try widen hallway to get a social/study area or structural support for future terrace.
2. Building A Ground Floor social area has electrical room, this space is not being well utilized for social space and should be moved.
3. Building D SW corner has electrical room, but would be nice to use for social views of Johnson field.
4. Building B 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor roof terraces should be looked at to create community areas just for the residents.
3. There are other round spaces on campus; the Torreón is an overused emblematic symbol for the area. Does not lend itself to flexibility for study area. Would like to see other options, such as a resolana “sunny spot” which is a special New Mexico historic architectural element.
4. Would like to see logic for where the batter forms happen. There are lots of good examples on the campus for the batter forms to soften the edges of the building.

##### *The Site:*

1. Concern about the landscape plan exhibiting “Extractive Regionalism”. Need to add other elements of the pueblo landscape if the designers need to use the circular element (kiva), such as terrace gardens. The outdoor spaces have not been given an identity.
2. Concern about wall between Building A&B, it does not add to creating a community, rather creates an us vs. them dynamic. The designers should consider terracing the outdoor space between Building A&B.

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**Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

**5:00 – 7:00 pm**