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August 3, 1977

TO: President Gerald W. Tomanek

SUBJECT: Classroom-Office Building

Re: Letter of August 2, 1977, from Warren Corman
to Earl Bozeman; copy to President Tomanek.

Attached is a copy of the referenced letter, with "flags" and underlining of a statement by Warren Corman. The following comments relate to the numbered "flags" of Corman's letter.

1. Dick Starr and I were following the "Long-Range Planning" concept that Martin Allen is to be razed since it is classified as an Obsolete Building. The Krueger report has been accepted and has substantiated the justification for this building to be classified in a condition to be Obsolete. Not only the condition of the building but also the location on the campus, with respect to the other buildings that form the Quadrangle, justifies the razing of Martin Allen due to its location and inaccessability when the new Classroom-Office Building is placed on the site selected for the new building. For these reasons, I had advised Dick Starr that he should plan the Classroom--Office Building so as to occupy the ground area adjacent to Martin Allen in such manner as to permit new construction without damage to Martin Allen, but to plan that Martin Allen would be razed as soon as we could get funds to Remodel the Art Annex for space to be suitable for the present occupants of Martin Allen.
The statement by Corman, which is underlined by me in his letter, refers to the meeting in which you made the statement "Over my, or Earl's dead body, will Martin Allen be razed." Between that meeting and the next meeting, Dick Starr took it upon himself to "narrow" the width of the new building, thus giving Dick and Warren the right to say that Dick had been given conflicting information and had made a false start. The first plan, by Dick Starr, met the directions I had given him and still maintain spacing at Martin Allen and relate the new Classroom-Office Building to balance the space between Picken Hall and Sheridan Coliseum. I believe that we are talking about a distance of 30 feet (the first plan) and 60 feet (the second plan).

I find it a little embarrassing to try to answer Warren, when we have followed the Long-Range Plan since its completion in 1973, with the exception of timing due to lack of funding. Also, the entire planning committee, as well as the Long-Range Planning Committee members, have allowed this project to grow from the original planning stage to its present planning phase of schematics with no mention that we would deviate from the Long-Range Campus Plan.

- 2 and 3. I had discussed the need to provide mechanical space on each of the floors of the building and that it was more economical to "stack" the Toilet Rooms at each floor level.

*Set up meeting
with W. Keating
& Bozeman*
*Mr Keating
did this. Had
meeting on 8/24/77*
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4. The decision to request a 800 square feet size Computer Room, was made within the Planning Committee, was based upon increasing such a room as requested by the Math Department for 400 square feet, to allow others space for use of the Computer Terminal Facilities that was to be provided in one room as opposed to providing several Computer Rooms within this building. Dick Starr was advised of this request and its importance to the extent that we would trade the space for a classroom, if necessary.
5. The desire for offices with windows was a request from all members of the Planning Committee; not a demand. The possibility of complying with request was explained to the committee by Dick Starr at one of our first meetings with him, with the understanding that it would be an impossibility to place all offices on an exterior wall. I find that only a few of the total number of offices will be "inside rooms".
6. I doubt that we are falling behind at this time. We have had meetings called within 24 hours of the time Dick Starr has requested any meetings. Most members have been present, or have had a representative present that could speak for each department. The time spent now is of more importance to the end result, than hurrying to stay on schedule. Not that I plan on unnecessary delays on our part, but keep Dick Starr aware that the accepted plan at this stage must meet our approval.

Due to the remarks that were included in Warren Corman's letter, I felt that I should reply to each concern expressed by Warren. I do not like the idea of Dick Starr meeting with the State Architect Louis Krueger, Jack Nelson and Warren Corman when I am not present. Especially since we made an agreement that we would all work together on this project; certainly, I intend to hold all to that agreement. I will discuss this matter with Dick and will insist that I be given the opportunity to have input on all such meetings and be present. Not that Dick tried to slip this meeting by in my absence, as he told me the day before the meeting that he was to be in Topeka for this meeting at 8:00 am on Tuesday the 2nd; even I need more than 8 hours notice to drop things in this office to make a trip to Topeka.

The Long-Range Planning Committee should meet as soon as possible to make a review of our Long-Range Campus Plan and Phasing and determine our priority of projects from planning to remodeling and/or razing of buildings.

Sincerely yours,

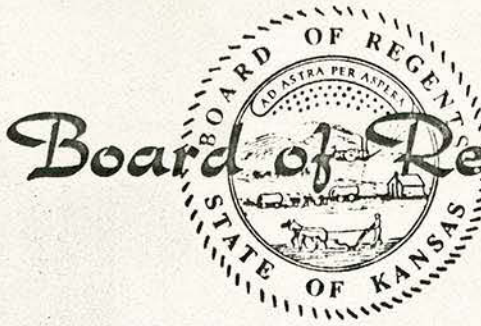
Earl G. Bozeman

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August 2, 1977

Mr. Earl Bozeman
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Dear Earl:

1 I was happy to see the progress being made on the new classroom-office building as I reviewed the 30-scale schematics this morning. I notice that the associate architect made a false start because the state evidently gave him conflicting information on razing Martin Allen Hall. The long range plan shows it to be razed. If this is to be revised, it should be done officially and quickly as it relates to this project as to the service drive, proximity for scale and mass, etc.

2 I told Dick Starr that he must reduce the size to come within the program. He will need also to allow for mechanical space in the gross area.

3 Careful planning might also allow the stacking of toilets one above the other to save plumbing costs.

4 The 800 square feet \pm computer terminal room is evidently to be traded for a typical classroom.

5 On other projects we have not been able to give every outside office a window. A window should not be mandatory - maybe just desirable.

6 Keep the momentum going - we are falling behind schedule as I see it.

Thanks.

Sincerely yours,

Warren Corman
Facilities Officer

WC:jp

cc: President Gerald Tomanek
Mr. Dick Starr
Mr. Jack Nelson