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## News from the Academic Facilities Council of IFMA

### A Message from the President:

I would like to take this time to introduce myself to all of you as the newly elected President for the Academic Facilities Council and thank you for being members of the Academic Facilities Council. Our newsletter recaps some of the programs, activities and tours during our fall conference held in conjunction with IFMA's World Workplace in Dallas, TX. Attending the two day AFC conference before World Workplace provides members with an opportunity to focus on programs and ideas in the academic facilities management arena as well as networking and visits to unique and interesting facilities. In a very real sense, it doubles the value of attending World Workplace. I should mention that there is no registration or conference fee for our meetings if you are a member of the council. In fact, most meals are included at no charge.



The Academic Facilities Council has two face to face conferences each year. In addition to the one prior to World Workplace, we hold a Spring conference usually hosted by a college or university in North America. For the Spring of 2009, we are planning to visit Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Again, no registration or conference fees are anticipated.

Stay tuned for conference dates and program information that will be out in the near future.

*Steve Showers, CFM*  
*AFC President*



## AFC in Dallas—Recap of Fall Conference

October 14–16, 2008

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### Monday

Prior to WWP 08 the Academic Facilities Conference held their fall seminar. Joining the over 20 delegates from across the US & Canada were two delegates from the Czech Republic, giving the event a truly international flavor. As tradition dictates the first evenings gathering, the President's Dinner, was hosted by our newly elected leader Steve Showers - Towson University.

### Tuesday

Bright and early the AFC delegates boarded a bus to Southern Methodist University (SMU) a private university (11,000 students), with a 20,000 seat football stadium. While at SMU two educational sessions were held the first on the *President's Climate Commitment* – was presented by Eliot Easton, EYP Architects. The presentation was well done and sparked a lively discussion.

The second presentation was on classroom design presented by Shawn Green of KI furniture. This was an entertaining and well done presentation that focused on furniture enhancing and fostering the teaching / learning process.

The delegates were also treated to a presentation of the master plan for SMU as well as a tour of the Jerry Junkins Engineering building. It was an enjoyable and educational experience for all.

Copies of both presentations as well as the SMU master plan will be available on the AFC website.

AFC Business Meeting October 15 - 3 pm SMU

The following items were agreed by the group as being the priority for the coming year.

- To publish 3 newsletters Nov30/08, Jan31/09 and June30/09
- To pick locations and establish dates for the spring workshop 09, fall 09, and spring 10, these are to be confirmed prior to the end of November
- To present a minimum of one webinar spring /09
- To review the website and suggest possible enhancements and features
- Increase the involvement of members
- Develop an AFC polo shirt

The group gathered at Y.O. Steakhouse later that night to finish off the rest of the steer not eaten the night before.

### Wednesday

The AFC and R&D Councils traveled to the University of Texas at Dallas, to tour the Natural Science and Engineering Research Laboratory. We got a great slide presentation and then a walk through of a truly unique research building. The power point presentation as well as pictures of this building are available on the AFC website.

The councils arrived back at the convention centre in time to register and enjoy the key note address.

### **Thanks**

Our thanks to the facilities staff at Southern Methodist University and University of Texas – Dallas for taking the time to show us around their Universities.

Hosting a AFC spring or fall conference is a great way to show off you campus to your AFC peers, it will also get you recognized around your Campus too.

You can view pictures from the fall conference by clicking here;

[http://www.flickr.com/photos/afc\\_ifma/.](http://www.flickr.com/photos/afc_ifma/)

<http://picasaweb.google.com/Bob.at.PSU/IFMAAFCDallasTX#>







## Dressing Up The Dorms: University of Maine Caters To Students' Individual Needs While Saving Money

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It's a pretty common site around college campuses in cold-weather states: The snow and temperature are falling. The icicles are forming. Students shiver and shuffle to class in layers of clothing.

And the dormitory windows are wide open.

That's right. Despite the chilly temperatures and biting winds, many students open their dorm windows to let in cool air. Why? Because it's the only option once a room overheats. For a university, it's also a pretty expensive option.

"That's wasting a lot of energy and money," said Joe Caron, the associate director of property management for Student Auxiliary Services (SAS) at the University of Maine.

Like many campus administrators who manage older dormitories, Caron struggled to find cost-efficient ways to maintain a comfortable living environment for students while conserving energy. It's a challenge that has perplexed many a facility manager.

At the University of Maine, located in Orono, overheating occurs because campus dormitories are divided into zones. Each zone consists of as many as 25 rooms—and a single sensor in a designated room dictates the temperature for the entire zone. But not every room is the same temperature and many end up too stifling. This is especially true on the upper floors, which gain heat from below and never adjust. The result: open windows, wasted energy and high utility bills for the university.

An uncomfortable living environment also is a contributing factor to the trend of students bypassing dorms for other options. Off-campus housing has fewer restrictions and offers more personal control.

"We live in an individualistic society and that's reflected in students' housing choices," said Gordon Nelson, the university's director of Property Management.

And administrators at the University of Maine took careful note of that as they studied ways to make their dorms more appealing.

"We wanted to have it more like a hotel, where people are in control of their environment instead of having it dictated," Nelson said. "The main goal was to allow students to maintain their own comfort."

In 2004, the university contracted with Honeywell to upgrade the existing heating system in Stodder Hall, a nearly 40-year-old building with about 140 rooms located on the southwest side of campus. The primary objective was to give each student individual control over their room temperature. And the results have been very favorable—school officials are planning to upgrade the rest of the dormitories.

As part of the contract, the university changed out all of the steam traps in Stodder Hall and replaced the radiator valves in each room. Honeywell technicians then installed individual heating controls in all of the rooms, which allow the students to control their own temperatures instead of relying on the zone system.

The most impressive part of the project was that Honeywell tied the controls together through its Enterprise Buildings Integrator (EBI) building management system. With EBI, Caron, Nelson and other facility managers can monitor the temperatures and controls of each room from their computer screens. EBI also allows staff to control the temperatures themselves, which is essential during holiday breaks when students are gone for weeks at a time.

In addition, Caron has used EBI to track temperature trends over long periods of time for rooms that have a history of service calls.

"It's very user friendly," he said. "We have a floor plan of the building with each room numbered. You can click on a room to get more detail and see the temperatures in the room."

By tracking trends, administrators can better identify problems which makes for more effective troubleshooting.

Besides the HVAC system, Honeywell also tied the building's electric, steam and water meters into EBI. This allows university personnel to monitor spikes in energy consumption. Consequently, they can detect and pinpoint problems quicker, cutting down on wasted energy even more.





## Dressing Up The Dorms: University of Maine Caters To Students' Individual Needs While Saving Money - Continued.

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In the past, when students would call to complain about their room temperatures, SAS would contact—and pay—an outside technician to go to the room and investigate. With EBI, Caron can diagnose most problems from his office. The solution sometimes is as simple as telling a student over the phone how to operate his or her controls. As a result, the university spends less on maintenance and students are pleased with the quick response.

During the spring of 2005—shortly after the upgrade—Stodder Hall residents made only two service calls total. In comparison, other dorms make about 10 to 20 calls per semester, Nelson said.

Another benefit: the results of the project have led university officials to work on getting Stodder Hall recognized as a green building to show its commitment to energy conservation. Along with the HVAC improvements, Stodder Hall has adopted an aggressive recycling program and added an organic food court. The university also is looking to address water conservation issues at the dormitory.

But the biggest impact has been having temperature controls in each room. Because students no longer leave windows ajar to cool their rooms, less energy is wasted and utility bills have gone down. In fact, the school is forecast to save at least 1,600 gallons of oil per year. And it will reduce nitrogen oxide emissions by 87 pounds annually and sulfur oxide emissions by almost 420 pounds.

“The students are conscious about the green effort. Recycling numbers are way up. We try to preach environmental impact to our people in the classroom, the campus and the community,” Nelson said.

Of course, the fact that students are more comfortable makes it easier for them to think about the environment.

“People’s first concerns are their individual work stations or residence,” Nelson said. “That was our ultimate goal here, to make sure on-campus students have a comfortable living environment. Once we’re able to improve their immediate surroundings, it’s easier to get them to pay attention to conservation issues.”

Nelson hopes similar HVAC upgrades to the other dorms will yield the same results. The University of Maine is moving ahead with plans to upgrade six dormitories in the next two years. And the long-term goal is to have all 19 campus dorms retrofitted with individual thermostats.

Soon, the only time students will open a window during the winter will be to bring in some frigid air to stop the sweating during finals week.

*This article can be found on, [http://www.ifma.org/daily\\_articles/2006/mar/03\\_06.cfm](http://www.ifma.org/daily_articles/2006/mar/03_06.cfm).*

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### Upcoming Events—Save the Date:

#### **Academic Facilities Spring Conference 2009**

**Carnegie Mellon University**

**Pittsburgh, PA**

**June 10–12, 2009**

(more to details to follow with lodging information, program/agenda details and tours—keep a look out in your email)



**Online Webinars**—The AFC is looking forward to offering you online webinars throughout 2009.

#### **Academic Facilities Fall Conference 2009**

**Orlando, FL**

**October 6-7, 2009**

**About the Academic Facilities Council:** Academic facilities offer facility managers and space planners many unique challenges. These individuals must effectively plan, design, construct, utilize and maintain a variety of buildings, grounds and equipment including classrooms, computer labs, residence halls and apartments, athletic facilities, dining halls, theaters, laboratories, libraries and health care facilities. The students, instructors and researchers who utilize these facilities have needs that may radically differ from conventional building tenants.



## Membership Spotlight—ROBERT MYRICK, CFM,AIA,NCARB

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### FACILITIES RESOURCES & PLANNING ARCHITECT and FACILITIES COORDINATOR FOR PENN STATE UNIVERSITY GENERAL PURPOSE CLASSROOMS

Bob, a licensed architect since 1971, was a principal in the firm of Deines Myrick & McLain, Architects/Planners/Developers, prior to becoming a member of the Penn State University community in 1988. At PSU Bob worked in Design Services in the Design & Construction Division of the Office of Physical Plant before working in the Facilities Resources and Planning Division.



In FR&P, Bob currently is the general-purpose classroom Facilities Coordinator overseeing 360 of these rooms at the University Park campus. Bob manages the multi-million dollar budget provided to the University Committee on Instructional Facilities (UCIF) for classroom improvements at the University Park campus as well as the other 19 PSU Campuses across the State of Pennsylvania. For new and renovation projects involving general purpose classrooms, Bob is often involved in defining and scoping the work related to the classrooms. His involvement follows the progress of the work from inception on paper through construction completion and use.

Bob consults to classes where students from many different disciplines are involved. The classes often involve students from engineering design, technology and professional programs – the many architecture and engineer disciplines. The students in these specialized groups apply their knowledge and imagination to often unique projects or studies to improve upon current applications of equipment or space. Some of these student groups are given special projects that relate to problematic classrooms with outcomes often creative, informative and helpful. Such interactive sessions certainly help PSU to be a more student centered university, a major goal of the PSU administration and allows better development of spaces more suited to the pedagogy as well as the student needs.

Other professional activities include membership in the American Institute of Architects and the International Facility Management Association. Bob is a Certified Facility Manager through the IFMA certification program. He is also a member of the Academic Facility Council of IFMA. Bob is a past Treasurer, Vice-President and President of the AFC, who continues to attend and enjoy the AFC fall and spring meetings. Much pleasure and continued learning is derived from each of the AFC meetings through renewing acquaintances, meeting new people in our discipline, enjoying the tours of the many campuses that occur at each conference, learning about some of the unique characteristics of each community and school visited and eating the wonderful food that is always plentiful at the AFC meetings!



#### **[Calculate Your Carbon Footprint](http://green.msn.com/tools/calculator.aspx)**

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## Welcome New AFC Members Section—January 2008—October 2008

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Have you come across an interesting article, written one or have a specific topic to hear more about?

If you'd like to share this information with your fellow AFC members, please contact Jeannie Nguyen, Council Liaison at [jeannie.nguyen@ifma.org](mailto:jeannie.nguyen@ifma.org).

The AFC is looking for possible topics for online webinars, content for the newsletter and website.

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4. You can then change the default setting from not receiving subscriptions to receive postings via email. **Click under the Subscription to "YES"**(to receive postings by email similar to the listserv) **or "NO"** (which means you will need to login to the IFMA Online Community to view the discussions) The subscription's default setting is "NO" in order to change it to "YES" simply click on the "NO".



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1. To **reply** to emails that you receive, you can post your responses (just like the listserv).
2. If you would like to **post a new message/question** to the Academic Facilities Council Online Community without having to login to IFMA Online Community, just send your email to this email address for your specific council, [afc.council@ifmacommunity.org](mailto:afc.council@ifmacommunity.org). This will allow for you to post and reply by email, similar to the listserv tool we were using.

### **Academic Facilities Council Web site**

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