



**Facility Services Project Update
December 21, 2022**

Block Hall Renovation Project Status Update

- Dowling Architects were on campus December 12-13 to begin the process of defining the scope and programming requirements for each academic area in Block Hall. The Block Hall Renovation Committee (BHRC), consisting of four faculty members of Block Hall, represent the needs and interests of all academic functions within the building.
- The objectives of these first scope meetings were to identify the future infrastructure and equipment needs of each academic area, as well as review overall mechanical systems throughout the building.
- Every classroom and laboratory space has been reviewed, floor by floor, to determine current and future needs.
- Additional scoping meetings will continue through the first quarter of 2023.
- The goal is to complete schematic design for the project by the end of April 2023.

Wellness Center Project Status Update

- In September 2022, the Board of Regents authorized UMW to hire/appoint an architectural firm to proceed with the schematic design, detail design, and final cost estimation of the Wellness Center project.
- Four prospective architectural firms have been interviewed and final selection will be made within the next week.

Heating Plant Upgrade Project

- The new boiler and all ancillary equipment is now installed and mechanically tied-in.
- Work continues on completion of the remaining electrical and control tie-ins.
- The new boiler is scheduled to be commissioned and started up in mid-January 2023.

Future updates from Facility Services will continue to be provided.

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