Great Reading Room

There was a plethora of vital information given by Lisa Keith regarding all the spaces UNI encompasses. The space study started in September, and is currently almost done. The study is at the report stage and will conclude after it.

UNI has more square feet compared to other colleges around the United States, but has less students. Some of the universities UNI was compared against were University of Houston, University of Minnesota – Duluth, University of North Dakota, as well as a handful of others.

- 127 Sq. Ft. per student is the average, while UNI gives 211 Sq. Ft. per student.
- UNI is at the high end of space per student in comparison.

Athletics – Average office space of total athletic space
- Campus average – 12%
- UNI average – 9%
  - Less than average office space.
22% of space made for athletics is above average
- UNIdome is a big factor

Residential
- ~100,000 more Sq. Ft. than average.

Total assignable net Sq. Ft.
- UNI is 20% greater than the norm

Classrooms and labs
- 58% of classrooms filled
- 21 Sq. Ft. per student in classrooms
  - Will grow with changing classrooms
  - Target space per student seat – 25 Sq. Ft.
- 26 weekly use hours for classrooms
- Classroom targets – 32 hours per week at 70% capacity
- Lab use = 15 hours
  - Average is 20
- Labs are at 64% capacity
- Lab targets – 18 hours per week at 75-80% capacity

Growth assumptions
- Done without Academic Master Plan
- No new future programs
- Straight line growth assumptions
Physical plant works with half the space than it should have. Having a central storage space would free up a lot of space.

- A lot of offices were found to be used as storage

Need for student center space

- Not a lot of student organization space in Maucker
  - Need of spaces to play pool, 3D gaming, etc.

Academic and administrative offices – surplus space

- Offices are larger than normal

The space needs study is a quantitative analysis of the space on campus. The qualitative portion will come later to layover this piece.