

**LEED *GOLD* PROGRESS UPDATE
STUDENT SERVICES BUILDING**

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CURRENT LEED *GOLD* PROGRESS

- As a reminder of our conversation from last month's Board Meeting, we are currently tracking ways to obtain 42 LEED points, which is 3 more than the 39 minimum required to achieve a *Gold Certification*. However, we may want to adjust the way we are getting points.
- Remember that a minimum of 3 *buffer* points are highly recommended as it is entirely possible that all points will not be accepted during the formal Certification process (for example, we lost one point during the Newark Certification process).
- Following up on our informational session on 4/8/09, we have developed an alternate scenario to accomplish LEED *Gold*, so that the *designate open space* points may not be required (or may be required as a backup plan only).

ALTERNATE WAY TO GET ENOUGH POINTS FOR LEED *GOLD*

- We currently have 40 *core* points (1 more than required for *Gold*)
 - To get at least 2 more points (in order to have 42 total, or the 39 minimum plus 3 *buffer* points), we recommend the following:
 - Obtain 1 Point for Sustainable Sites Credit 2 *Urban Redevelopment*- This is a *no cost* credit which recognizes the urban development which is within ½ mile of the project site.
- AND**
- Obtain 1 point for *Innovation & Design Process* by either purchasing *green* power at a modest cost (remember that we did this at Newark) or by recycling additional materials during construction (we are evaluating if this is truly available).

If the above is not successful, we still have the option of pursuing the 2 *dedication of open space* points.

RECOMMENDATION

- In order to preserve maximum flexibility for campus planning, hold on the *designation of open space* points option and follow the scenario on the previous slide in order to have 42 points.
- At a future date, and only if necessary, bring *designation of open space* points back into the conversation. This would occur, if at all, after we get a preliminary indication from the USGBC (United States Green Building Council) that our submitted points request is not sufficient to obtain LEED *Gold* (Note that we are allowed to provide additional points, if necessary, after the initial submittal to USGBC). Therefore, the *designation of open space* option is a backup plan.

QUESTIONS?