

Minutes of the Uris Vision Committee

January 29, 2019

In attendance:

Co-Chairs: Jean Howard, Maya Tolstoy

Professors: Michael Cole, Pamela Smith, Tian Zheng, Chris Washburne

Ex-Officio: David Sasscer

Students: Mike Ford, Aja Johnson

Staff: Carolyn Keen, Rose Razaghian

1. The committee revisited the term Emerging Knowledge as a unifying rubric for the tower floors and reaffirmed its provisional commitment to that concept despite some reservations about its dynamism and descriptive force. The faculty at large will be invited to suggest alternatives.
2. The committee discussed the most effective way to gather written comment from the faculty and agreed that an open text box form would be sent to faculty with distribution of the document soliciting input and suggestions. These ideas will be collated and used by the Uris Committee in revising the draft document.
3. An in-person consultation system was also discussed. EVP Tolstoy and Co-Chair Jean Howard will make presentations to PPC, the Chairs, Directors of Institutes and Centers, and then to the faculty at large. Feedback will be solicited from each of these groups. Chairs can discuss the document with their departments if they wish to do that.
4. Finally, the committee briefly discussed the work it will do in late March and April to respond to the feedback received and to draw up a short document suggesting a transparent process by which various campus entities will be assigned space in the building.