First Friday.....November 1, 2013

Fall term is in full swing as the leaves have changed, temperatures grow cooler and the days are much too short for my liking. The only constant is change, and we continue to consider new opportunities as they present themselves for enhancement of IUSD. In this edition of First Friday, I share with you very recent exciting developments regarding some new clinical space which is available as part of the IU/Wishard land swap. We are implementing changes identified as part of the New Academic Directions Task Forces for DDS Academics, Admissions and Clinical Operations as well as considering program restructuring for dental hygiene education and non-CODA accredited graduate programs. We will begin our new IUSD Strategic Plan 2014-19 too! IU One Start (university portal) is changing too (see sidebar). These activities provide new opportunities to advance the Vision of IUSD to make Indiana University School of Dentistry one of the best dental schools of the 21st century.

- IUSD Building Renewal Project: IU/Wishard Land Swap – IUSD Opportunity

In 2009, IU and Wishard health system entered into an agreement to exchange two parcels of land and buildings for the purpose of creating a new Wishard (soon to be Eskenazi Health W-E) hospital and outpatient clinical complex. Beginning January 1, 2014, newly constructed W-E buildings will be occupied and functioning. IU gave up 25+ acres and gained the entire Wishard hospital campus (~25 acres) and over 1.1 million square feet in hospital and clinical space beginning January 2014. About 2/3rds of the Wishard property will be retained by IU and renovated and repurposed for academic use. We have been recently notified of a potential opportunity to assume the current Wishard Primary Care Clinical (WPCC) building (approx. 100,000 sq. ft.) which is located 2 1/2 minutes from the front door of the Regenstrief building (current location of some IUSD Oral Surgery and Hospital Dentistry activities). WPCC is located on the corner of Wishard Dr. and University Dr. It is four stories plus a basement and tied to other health care buildings through a series of underground tunnels. Wishard operates a variety of primary healthcare clinics. The building will be turned over to IU shortly after the first of the year 2014.

We have assembled a feasibility study workgroup consisting of representatives from oral surgery/hospital dentistry, prosthodontics, implants, periodontics, Oral Health Research Institute, operative dentistry, preventive/community dentistry, orthodontics, endodontics and others for the purpose of doing some brainstorming about what program/s or mix of programs might be located at this site. It appears to makes most sense to locate some IUSD graduate education programs at this site based on the layout of treatment rooms, nature of clinical education, size of seminar rooms, faculty offices etc. Tim Brown, George Willis, Adam Smith and others will be assisting us in this feasibility phase along with representatives from the above named areas.

In considering this option, I want to be very clear about two things:

1) We will still build new clinical space for the pre-doctoral program because of the

OneStart restart: Find out about the new “One”

It's been 12 years since IU launched OneStart, a one-stop shop for many university services and resources. But on October 29, OneStart will get a restart with the first beta of "One" - a new product that will offer an additional way to get to many IU services, but in an app store format. Featuring a fresh, modern design, One will simplify navigation and make it easier to find the information that matters most during your time on campus.

For More Details: http://restart.iu.edu
location of lecture rooms and pre-clinical space (IDA Lab) at the Michigan St. location. If some or all of the WPCC is usable, we could reduce the overall size of the new clinical building from 70 to 80,000 sq. ft. to about half, thus saving costs by constructing less space.

2) No decisions have been made to relocate any program/s to the WPCC and will not be made until we study the feasibility to enhance our clinical programs by the use of this space. I hope we can make a “GO/NO GO” decision by November 22, 2013. If a “GO” decision is made, detailed program plans and budgets will need to be prepared, and some renovations made to occupy the WPCC space in 2014.

All ideas are welcome. I invite you to talk with the Department Chairs/Program Directors of the above mentioned programs or contact me directly with your thoughts or concerns.

• **IUSD Accreditation Site Visit…. Response to Preliminary Draft Report**

IUSD is putting finishing touches on our institutional response to the September CODA site visit at the IU School of Dentistry. Overall, we are very pleased with the outcomes, but have already begun working on the recommendations pertaining to the pre-doctoral program (treatment planning and Quality Assurance) and those for dental assisting (distance education). The Site Visit Report and our responses will go to the respective Review Committees in January 2014 with formal action on the IU dental programs taking place the end of January 2014. I anticipate continuing reporting requirement for our recommendations until the dental school documents a new treatment planning program for DDS education and an assessment of the outcomes for the graduating class of 2014.

• **IUPUI Strategic Plan 2025…IUSD to Create New Strategic Plan 2014-19**

A major emphasis for the past academic year has been the creation of an IUPUI campus Strategic Plan 2025. The focus of the plan was to address 3 questions for the campus: 1. What will distinguish us (IUPUI) from other universities? 2. What are the assets we can leverage to accomplish this? 3. What are the challenges we face? As I mentioned at the Fall Teaching Conference, the IUPUI Strategic Plan 2025 and the IU System-wide Strategic Planning effort align nicely with our own preliminary work being conducted by several IUSD Task Forces on Admissions, Academic and Clinical Education as well as the Task Forces on Dental Hygiene Education and Graduate Education. The November 8th Faculty Enrichment will kick-off IUSD Strategic Planning 2014-19 with a review of the environmental scan as background on national and local dental education and practice issues to better prepare IUSD for the future. The confluence of New Academic Directions, the IUPUI Strategic Plan 2015, IU System Planning, our recent accreditation site visit and the review of our non-accredited programs gives us an excellent background to move forward to reach the Vision of IUSD to make Indiana University School of Dentistry one of the best dental schools of the 21st century.

• **New Building Fundraising…Stands at $2.2 million**

As of the end of October, we continue strong progress toward raising money for the new building Phase 1 goal of $3M. With over $2.2M pledged or committed, we are well on our way to reach the goal by the end of December 2013. Please contact John Hoffman for giving details.

• **Upcoming IUSD Events**
  
  o Saturday, November 2nd – IUSD-ADA Reception New Orleans
  o Thursday, November 20th – Holiday Party Woodstock Club
  o Friday, November 22nd – Go/NO GO Decision – Wishard Primary Care Center Building
  o Thursday/Friday, November 27 & 28th Thanksgiving Holiday (Have a Happy Thanksgiving! )

**First Friday Social**

Friday is November 1st, and the “First Friday Social” starts at 7:30 am in the basement student lounge with coffee and donuts. I am attending the American Dental Association so will miss the social.

Thanks to each of you for your dedication and support of the Vision and Mission of IUSD. I’ll be back next month with another edition of First Friday...Dean’s Update. Have a great fall term!