In furtherance of the Committee's oversight role, Vice President John Roberto reviewed the status of ongoing and future projects, and reported on the following issues:

Projects during past year included work in Lincoln Filene Center, Braker Hall, Miller Hall, Dana/Barnum, Pearson, Middle East Studies, Tisch and Miner.

Future Projects:
1. Paige Hall: Crane and Terrace Rooms,
2. 150 bed dormitory next to Stratton Hall
3. Completion of sprinkler program in Lewis, Miller, Houston, Hill and Tilton Halls.

The Committee discussed the Interim Report from the Task Force on the Undergraduate Experience (Report). The Committee strongly supports the underlying theme of the Report that more space is needed for community activities, particularly those that involve interactions between students, faculty, administrators, and staff. Specifically, we recommend the renovation of many of the dormitories to make more common space and the completion of Phase III of the Campus Center. We believe that such efforts to change and reallocate space can be best accomplished under a new framework for allocating space on campus. This should involve more centralized, systematic, and transparent procedures for allocating space on campus.

Paul Stanton met with our committee to discuss the latest block schedule. He reported that the new schedule is very successful. In particular, classes are now more spread out across the day. Also, more efficient utilization of classrooms will allow for the upgrading of existing classrooms. Initially, there appeared to be some student opposition to the new block schedule. But a student forum held on the topic in February was sparsely attended and few substantive issues were raised. Conflicts that have arisen for some athletes with the scheduling of more late afternoon classes should be alleviated in the future.

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