Minutes of the August meeting were approved. The committee agreed in future that minutes can be approved via email. If no corrections are given within a week of the dissemination of the draft minutes, they may be posted by the chair on the faculty senate web site.

Discussion led by Michael Cline about priorities in Physical Facilities. Michael provided an overview of the structure of the Physical Facilities unit, a description of current and future building projects, an update on the addition of building metering, and the campus classroom safety pilot program.

He also mentioned a new program, CMc, construction manager as constructor, which was authorized by the state this past July. It enables the hiring of a construction manager to work with the architect in the design phase. The construction manager guarantees a maximum price for the project, and the CMc is incentivized to stay under budget, as well as meeting safety thresholds and for using qualified minority and women-owned businesses. The first project to use the CMc is the Honors College and Residences, which he expects to be finished a year earlier than previously scheduled due to the accelerated schedule that can be enabled by this process. The students living in the Brownstones, which currently occupy the site of the future Honors College and Residences, have been offered resources to assist with relocation.

Brainstorming of Ideas for the URPC this year. The URPC generated a list of topics to consider for this year. Members will provide feedback via email on prioritization of the topics to guide the work of the committee.