

# CAMPUS MASTER PLAN

## University of Dayton

### Consultant Update - Burt Hill

June 8, 2007

A design work session to finalize master plan concepts was held at Burt Hill's Pittsburgh office in April. Dan Curran, Fred Pestello, Tom Burkhardt, Rick Perales and Ted Bucaro attended from UD. A year's worth of research was reviewed to confirm its accuracy and new project priorities were established. Locations for new facilities were a major topic for discussion.

It was decided that the existing core campus would remain the undergraduate educational heart of the University. Middle Campus, between Brown and Main Streets, would be developed to accommodate programs and facilities that require easy access and parking by visitors. West Campus, between Main and Patterson, is to be used for parking and open space in the short term. This area is to be reserved for future revenue producing development that would provide a return on the land purchase investment, assisting in the economic growth of the Dayton area. Development could include research facilities, medical office buildings, a conference center, housing and more.

There was also considerable discussion on the image that should be created for the new areas of campus. The Chapel dome, as the physical and emotional symbol for UD, must be visible from as many vantage points as possible. Open space and landscaped walkways should dominate the campus character and be framed with buildings of lasting architectural character.

Design concepts were then refined and presented to the UD Facilities and Executive Committees and Board of Trustees in May. Suggestions and recommendations made are currently being incorporated into the master plan, to be finalized in October.

