PLANNING BOARD CLASS OF 78 LIFE SCIENCES BUILDING, 11 A.M. 7 OCTOBER 2011

Members: Michael Mayor, Judith Esmay, Bill Dietrich, Joan Garipay, Katherine Connolly

Alternates: Mike Hingston, Iain Sim

Public: Charlie Garipay

Planning Board members were led on a tour of the Life Sciences Building by Professor Thomas Jack. They visited lecture rooms, laboratories, the greenhouse, faculty offices, a roof garden, the mechanical room, and, finally, the rain garden. Special note was taken of the educational nature of the building, its rigorous attention to code requirements imposed by its uses, and its efforts to comply with principles of sustainability. The building, which is presently in use but will officially open next month, has a achieved a "gold" level of LEED certification and hopes to achieve "platinum" certification.

The meeting adjourned at noon.

Judith Esmay

Chair