Learning Environment Committee
Final Report for 2023-2024
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Addressed this academic year:
The committee met two times for the academic year. Major discussions surrounded a request for periodic updates of construction projects around campus, building issues such as problems with the HVAC systems in Cadek Hall and McCallie, and a proposed suggestion for creating a system for reporting and tracking work orders. Other issues raised included discussions of molds in dorms (this was later explained to be outside the scope of the committee), and a need for more accessible furniture (e.g., larger sized desks) in classrooms.

To address the HVAC concerns in Cadek (room 206) and McCallie (room 263), a representative from facilities was invited to attend the second committee meeting. Due to unforeseen circumstances, he was unable to attend.

Unfinished Business:
There was overwhelming consensus that a work order system, like the one use to report IT issues, will be helpful in allowing faculty, students, and staff to report building/classroom problems as they arise. After much discussion, some of the unanswered questions raised by committee members includes, "do we need permission to build such a system", "who will monitor the system", "who gets the notification (workflow)", and more importantly, "how to build the system".