

Welcome Week Logistics Update

Space Reservations

- Williams Arena Confirmed Scott Ellison
- Mariucci Arena Confirmed Scott Ellison
 - Ice down, would need floorboards to do events
- Sports Pavilion Confirmed Scott Ellison
 - Need to work with volleyball tournament schedule
- Ridder Arena Confirmed Scott Ellison
- Fieldhouse Confirmed Jarrett Yehlen
- Rec. Center Confirmed Jarrett Yehlen
- Northrop Confirmed Sally Dischinger
- Coffman (inside) Confirmed Sarah Fastner/Lisa Gruszka
- St. Paul Student Center Confirmed Melanie Bloom
 - Currently only open 11am-5pm on Sat./Sun and closed on Labor Day
- Ted Mann Concert Hall Tentative Brad Momsen
 - RNC has dates August 30-September 5, 2008, but WW is on books as well
- Ferguson Hall Tentative Brad Momsen
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- Weisman Tentative Paula Kittelson
 - Most likely will be under construction and not available in 2008
- Classrooms In Progress OCM
 - (need to identify usage, buildings and timing)
- McNamara Waitlisted Amy Dostal Dauer
 - RNC has McNamara blocked from August 28-September 5, not sure of actual needs for the building yet
- Cowles Auditorium & Atrium Held Margaret Oltmans
- Outdoor Spaces Sarah Fastner
 - Williamson Plaza Confirmed
 - Washington Ave. Bridge Confirmed
 - Carlson Plaza Confirmed
 - Coffman Front Plaza Confirmed
 - Coffman Riverbend Plaza Confirmed
 - St. Paul Mall Confirmed
 - West Bank Confirmed
 - Northrop Plaza Confirmed
 - McNamara Lawn Tentative (dependent on RNC schedule)

Buses

- School buses should be easily available during Welcome Week, Coach buses may be more challenging, however they are not taking reservations for 2008 yet (as of Feb. 07).

Hotels

- Room blocks for Tuesday, August 26 & Wednesday, August 27 are penciled in for Holiday Inn-Metrodome, Days Inn
- It is our understanding that the RNC needs to confirm hotel contracts by July 2007 and that blocks will start on August 31, 2008.

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Construction Plans

- Capital Planning & Project Management
 - Folwell Exterior Stabilization (Fall 2006-Fall 2008)
 - Medical Biosciences (north of stadium) (Summer 2007-Fall 2009)
 - Northrop Auditorium: Exterior Stabilization & Code Upgrade (Fall 2006 Nov. 2007), should be available for Fall 2008
 - Football Stadium (Phase 3: Summer 2007-Fall 2009)

Other Items

- Home football game Saturday, August 30, 2008 (MAC Opponent, time TBA)

Important Dates

Welcome Week: Wednesday, August 27 - Monday, September 1

Republican National Convention (RNC): Monday, September 1-Thursday, September 4

State Fair: Thursday, August 21-Monday, September 1 (estimated)