Building Committee

Membership

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Richard Amster, Director, Campus Construction
Dennis Swinford, Director, Campus Planning
Julia Topalian, Senior Associate Director, Campaign Planning

The Role of the Building Committee
The role of the Building Committee is largely unchanged since its inception in 1949. It is responsible for long-range space planning and utilization for the Institute and for land acquisition strategy. In conjunction with the Committee for the Review of Space Planning (CRSP), the Building Committee provides oversight for all aspects of campus planning and stewardship—consistent with MIT 2030—to enable emerging research directions, changes in educational delivery, on-campus housing for undergraduates, affordable housing for graduate students and enhancements to student life and learning. It is responsible for reviewing and approving new capital projects valued at $5 million and over. In addition to guiding the long-range planning for MIT’s campus environment and its facilities, it oversees planning, design and construction for international collaborations.