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**Y.S.S.C. Building Modification Committee
Final Report to the Board of Trustees
February 27, 2008**

In March of last year the board first discussed forming a committee to explore the feasibility of modifying the Senior Center to meet current and future program needs. The stimulus for this was a suggestion by the Morgan Family Foundation to the Friends Care Community that plans for independent living apartments on the Barr property include an option for the construction of a new senior center on the site. The committee's central task would be to determine the feasibility and the cost and benefits of modifying the current center. The committee's findings would also provide the board and membership a comparison basis with the cost and benefits of building a new center on the Barr property site or elsewhere.

In April the board appointed the following persons to serve on the committee:

- Bill Bebko
- Sue Clauser
- Ken Huber
- Perry Stewart.
- Hardy Trolander

The board designated Rodney Bean to serve as the committee's resource in re to the Senior Center's space needs.

The committee was given the following charge:

1. To consult with the Center Director about current and projected space needs of the Senior Center,
2. To assess the feasibility of making modifications to the current building and site to meet those needs, in whole or in part, and
3. To specify factors (structural, site, permits, finance, or otherwise) affecting that feasibility.

The timing for the completion of this task is *important and, if possible, the committee should report its preliminary findings to the Board two months after its formation.*

Current and projected space needs

The construction of the Great Room and other building modifications have substantially improved the building's usefulness, but subsequent expansion of the center's programs has pushed the facility past its limits.

The most obvious space limitation in the existing center is the lack of rooms to accommodate discrete program and other activities. Except for the Home Assistance Program office and the administrative offices, all other center activities take place in areas that also function as corridors. Computer monitors, telephone conversations, written materials, etc., are open to anyone walking by and the privacy of some communications is at risk of being breached. The Home Assistance Program office is the