Minutes
Physical Planning and Funding Committee
Friday, July 25, 1997

The Physical Planning and Funding Committee was convened by Committee Chair Regent Jonathan Barry at 9:00 a.m. in Room 1511 of Van Hise Hall. Present were Regents James, Mohs and Barry. Regent De Braska was absent.

Vice President’s Report

The report by the Vice President included three items.

(1) Vice President Bromberg reported that we were successful in getting some technical adjustments made in the budget bill. The most significant change relates to distribution of funding under the WISTAR and Heathstar appropriations. Both of these programs involve incremental releases of funds over several years. The technical changes move a total of $27.5 million into 1997, correcting a misinterpretation that had those funds delayed until 1999. This will enable the Pharmacy and Madison Utility projects to stay on their current timetables. She reported that there was also a $1 million error (shortfall) in the total funding available for the new academic building at UW-Green Bay. Those funds have been restored.

(2) Vice President Bromberg familiarized new committee members with the state building process by explaining that the statutes require Building Commission approval of all projects over $100,000 regardless of funding source. Typically, all projects approved by the Regents are submitted to the Building Commission. The Regents have delegated to the Vice President the ability to submit maintenance projects directly to the Building Commission. This delegation was made to speed up implementing the Regents 10 year plan to address the backlog of deferred maintenance. Those projects are funded by a $100 million biennial appropriation administered by the Building Commission for all state agencies. A systemwide package of $17 million in projects has been submitted for action by the Building Commission at its next meeting. This is about half of what we expect to receive for the biennium for projects over $100,000. We also receive significant funding for small projects under $100,000.

She explained that Assistant Vice President Nancy Ives presents our projects to the Commission and will report to the Committee each month on the actions taken by the Building Commission at its last meeting. Ives is also working with the State Division of Facilities Development to schedule campus visits, in conjunction with visits to other state facilities in the Fox Valley area. This will help familiarize the Commission members with University facility issues.

(3) Vice President Bromberg introduced UW-Madison Interim Assistant Vice Chancellor Bruce Braun to explain a recent contract between UW-Madison and Urban Land Institute to obtain expert advice on best ways to proceed with sites having potential for development through public/private partnerships. A panel of experts will convene in Madison in September to interview numerous University officials. Braun suggested it may be appropriate for members of the Physical Planning and Funding Committee to be among those interviewed by ULI. Braun suggested that other committee members in addition to Regent Barry could participate in the ULI interviews. Regent Barry recommended that Regent Mohs should also be asked to participate. Regent Barry suggested to Braun that ULI be asked to critique the UW-Madison Master Plan as it relates to transportation. Braun responded that the review in September will include several critical intersections.
Associate Vice President Nancy Ives presented the following Physical Planning requests:

**UWC-Barron County - Movable & Special Equipment** ($375,000 state funding)

Agenda Item I.3.C. requested authority to seek State funding to provide Movable and Special Equipment at an estimated cost of $375,000 for a Campus Remodeling project, that is being pursued and funded by Barron County at a cost of $1,375,000.

Barron County is funding a $1,375,000 Campus Remodeling project that will upgrade a total of 100,423 GSF in the Library, Student Center, Ritzinger Hall (Classroom Building), and Meggers Hall (Administration Building). State funding is being sought to provide science lab, computer, distance education and other media technology and equipment as well as furnishings for those new and remodeled spaces. Equipment funding for this project was included at $375,000 in our $6 million All Agency Statewide Equipment request for Movable/Special Equipment for the UW Centers. The $6 million was approved by the Board of Regents and the State Building Commission as part of the 1997-99 Capital Budget Request.

Barron County also intends to replace and upgrade the 30-year old heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems that are not energy efficient and are reaching the end of their useful life. That effort will be funded entirely by Barron County.

Upon the motion of Regent James, and second of Regent Mohs, the Committee approved Resolution I.3.D.

**Resolution I.3.C.**

That, upon the recommendation of the UW-Centers Interim Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted on behalf of the University of Wisconsin Center-Barron County to seek State funding to provide Movable and Special Equipment at an estimated cost of $375,000, from the 1997-99 All Agency Capital Equipment Funds - General Fund Supported Borrowing.

**UW-Madison: Design Report Approval/Construction Authority for the Primate Research Center Animal Housing Addition Project**

Agenda Item I.3.D. requested approval of the Design Report and authority to construct the Primate Research Center Animal Housing Addition project at UW-Madison, at an estimated total project cost of $7,900,000, using $4,500,000 of Gift/Grant funds and $3,400,000 WISTAR funds.

This project will construct a 46,904 GSF/25,780 ASF three-story addition on the east side of Building 2 of the Wisconsin Regional Primate Research Center (WRPRC), which is located one block north of Regent Street between N. Orchard and N. Charter Streets. The addition will provide primate housing and support space for: Aging and Metabolic Disease Research; Immunology/Virology Research; Histopathology; and Surgery and Clinical Medicine. Approximately 5,800 ASF of shelled, unfinished space will provide for future expansion of animal holding and animal support space as additional gift/grant funds are received.

Interim Academic Program Director Joe Kemnitz explained the need for the project.

Upon the motion of Regent Mohs, and second of Regent James, the Committee approved Resolution I.3.D.
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That, upon the recommendation of the UW-Madison Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, the Design Report be approved and authority be granted to construct a Primate Research Center Animal Housing Addition project at an estimated total project cost of $7,900,000 ($4,500,000 Gift/Grants and $3,400,000 WISTAR-Matching funds).

MSN - Utility Upgrades ($12 million GFSB-Healthstar)

Agenda Item I.3.E. requested authority for utility upgrades at UW-Madison to accommodate heating and cooling requirements for several facilities that are currently in design or under construction. Some of the larger projects include the Biochemistry/NMR Building, Chemistry Building Addition, Kohl Center, Waisman Center Addition, Engineering Centers, and Pharmacy Building. Building upgrades, additions and new space will collectively generate cooling and heating requirements that will surpass available capabilities.

This project consists of two major installations—a chiller in the last bay at the Charter Street Heating Plant and a boiler at the Walnut Street Heating Plant. A 3,600 GSF building addition will be constructed onto the last remaining bay at the Walnut Street plant to accommodate the length of the new boiler. Equipment will be purchased during 1997 to enable completion of the boiler and chiller installations in 1998.

The Board approved a Utility Upgrades project at $14,950,000 as part of the 1997-99 Capital Budget Request. The Building Commission reduced the scope and budget to $12 million based upon the Division of Facilities Development’s recommendation to defer improvements for the electrical power distribution system and city water/fire protection system.

This is the first project being advanced for funding under the new Healthstar venture.

Upon the motion of Regent Barry, and second of Regent James, the Committee approved Resolution I.3.E. Regent Mohs abstained because he sits on the Board of Madison Gas & Electric.

Resolution I.3.E.

That, upon the recommendation of the UW-Madison Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted to construct a 1997-99 Utility Upgrades project, at an estimated total project cost of $12,000,000 General Fund Supported Borrowing - Healthstar.

MSN - CSC Medical School Office and Research Addition

Agenda Item I.3.F. requested (1) authority to expand the project scope and budget to add another level at a cost of $6,750,000, Gift Funds; (2) approval of the Design Report; and (3) authority to construct a Medical School Office and Research Addition at the Clinical Science Center K4 Module, at a revised estimated total project cost of $15,000,000, Gift funds.
A two-story CSC Addition was enumerated in 1995-97 at $8,250,000 to meet clinical departmental space needs of new Medical School staff, reduce overall space deficits particularly in research, and accommodate program growth and development. One module was planned for the Department of Surgery and the other for the Departments of Medicine and Pediatrics, including a small space for the Department of Neurosurgery. The subsequent recruitment of department chairs identified the need for dedicated space for clinical neuroscience and faculty research programs. An evaluation of the existing K4 tower led to a determination that the structural and mechanical capacity was adequate to add a third level.

The requested budget increase is the result of several factors. The original cost for a two-level addition was underestimated and did not include code required smoke management and sprinkler systems in unsprinklered areas of the existing K4 module. The revised estimate of $15 million includes construction of a third level, funding to increase the capacity of the K4 tower heat exchangers, and adjustments in the A/E fees, contingency, allowances and movable equipment.

Upon the motion of Regent James, and second of Regent Mohs, the Committee approved Resolution I.3.F.

**Resolution I.3.F.**

That, upon the recommendation of the UW-Madison Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, the following authorizations relating to the CSC Medical School Office and Research Addition be granted:

1. authority to increase the scope of work and project budget by $6,750,000 Gift Funds
2. approval of the Design Report
3. authority to construct a Medical School Office and Research Addition at the Clinical Science Center K4 Module for a revised estimated total project cost of $15,000,000 Gift/Grant funds.

Resolution I.3.G. was withdrawn.

Resolution I.3.G. was a request by UW-River Falls for a Teacher Education Increase. Assistant Vice President Ives asked that this agenda item be withdrawn at this time. This was a request for a post-bid budget increase on the new Teacher Education facility at UW-River Falls. In further discussion with the Chancellor and the Division of Facilities Development, it has been agreed that rebidding the project should be tried, in hopes of further reducing the project cost. It is the intent to retain the integrity of the project, however, so that program delivery is not negatively impacted.

**UW-Stevens Point: Design Report Approval/Construction Authority for the University Center Elevator and Ramp Installation Project**

Agenda Item I.3.H. requested approval of the Design Report and authority to construct the University Center Elevator and Ramp Installation project at UW-Stevens Point, at an estimated total project cost of $475,000, using $237,500 Program Revenue Borrowing and $237,500 Program Revenue cash.

This project will provide a five-stop elevator in a central building location and install a wheelchair accessible ramp to connect intermediate levels. The project is needed to improve accessibility in the building.

Upon the motion of Regent Mohs, and second of Regent James, the Committee approved Resolution I.3.H.
Resolution I.3.H.

That, upon the recommendation of the UW-Stevens Point Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, the Design Report be approved and authority be granted to construct a University Center Elevator and Ramp Installation project at an estimated total project cost of $475,000 ($237,500 Program Revenue Borrowing and $237,500 Program Revenues).

UW-Whitewater: Renaming of the University Center to the “James R. Connor University Center”

Agenda Item I.3.I. requests authority to rename the UW-Whitewater University Center, the “James R. Connor University Center” to honor the contributions of Dr. Connor, who served as Chancellor of UW-Whitewater for seventeen years. Chancellor Connor’s close association with students and his major role in making the 1988 major University Center addition a reality, made the University Center the logical choice of a facility to bear his name. The request to rename the University Center was approved unanimously by the Memorial Committee and endorsed by the Academic Staff Assembly and the Faculty Senate, the University Center Student Employees, the University Center Board, the Whitewater Student Government and Chancellor Gaylon Greenhill.

Upon the motion of Regent James, and second of Regent Mohs, the Committee approved Resolution I.3.I.

Resolution I.3.I.

That, upon the recommendation of the UW-Whitewater Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted to rename the UW-Whitewater University Center, the “James R. Connor University Center.”

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

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Judy Knoll, Recording Secretary