

**Minutes  
Physical Planning and Funding Committee**

**Thursday, October 8, 1998**

The Physical Planning and Funding Committee was convened by Regent Barry at 2:35 p.m. in Room 1511 of Van Hise Hall. Present were Regents, Barry, James and Mohs. Regent DeBraska was absent. Regent President Orr and Vice President Smith joined the meeting at 2:38 p.m.

**I.3.a. Approval of Committee Minutes**

On the motion of Regent Mohs and second of Regent James, the minutes of the September 10, 1998, meeting of the Physical Planning and Funding Committee were approved as distributed.

**I.3.b. Report of Vice President/Assistant Vice President**

**Report on Building Commission Actions**

Assistant Vice President Nancy Ives reported that the following 8 UW System projects totaling \$16,792,000 were approved by the State Building Commission at its September meeting:

- UW-Eau Claire – Nine Residence Halls Telecommunications Cabling Project
- UW-Eau Claire – Fine Arts Center – Water Chiller & Cooling Tower Replacement Project
- UW-Madison – Parking Lot 17 Parking Ramp Project (Design Report)
- UW-Madison – Ashland Agriculture Research Station Land Conveyance
- UW-Madison – Waisman Center Addition/Remodeling Project Budget Increase
- UW-Madison – Land Exchange – North Park Street Improvement Project
- UW-Milwaukee - Sandburg Residence Hall Addition and Commons/West Entrance Remodeling Project (Design Report)
- UW-Stevens Point - Phase-4 Residence Hall Renovation Project (Design Report)

Assistant Vice President Nancy Ives presented the following Physical Planning requests:

**I.3.c. UW-La Crosse: Laux and White Halls Window Replacement Project**

Agenda Item I.3.c. requested approval to construct a Laux Hall and White Hall Window Replacement Project at an estimated total project cost of \$309,400 Program Revenue Cash.

This project will replace all of the windows in two residence halls. The buildings are approximately 35 years old, and each has approximately 125 windows. Due to age, the windows are worn out and are becoming maintenance problems. Similar work has been completed in three other residence halls. New aluminum sliding windows will be installed. Exterior and interior window perimeters will be

caulked. Obscure glass will be installed in restrooms. Installation in both residence halls will include push bolt locks and screens.

Project approval at this time will enable bidding to occur in early 1999 and construction to begin by June 7, 1999. Construction must be completed in Laux Hall before the New Orleans Saints arrive on campus in mid-July for their summer training camp. Work in White Hall must be completed in August 1999 prior to the beginning of the 1999 Fall Semester.

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

Resolution I.3.c.

That, upon the recommendation of the UW-La Crosse Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted to construct a Laux Hall and White Hall Window Replacement Project at an estimated total project cost of \$309,400 Program Revenue Cash.

**I.3.d. UW-Madison: Engineering Centers Project (Design Report)**

Agenda Item I.3.d. requested approval of the Design Report and authority to construct the Engineering Centers project at an estimated total project cost of \$52,000,000 (\$22,000,000 General Fund Supported Borrowing –WISTAR, \$22,000,000 Existing Gifts and Grants, and \$8,000,000 Future Gifts and Grants).

Assistant Vice Chancellor Bruce Braun made a presentation on the progress of the Engineering Centers project. This project will provide a multidisciplinary facility for engineering education and research activities. The College currently has \$22 million in gifts and grants for the project. Efforts are underway to raise an additional \$8 million.

The project is now 15% into the design phase and was recently approved by the Madison Urban Design Commission.

Discussion of the project resulted in a decision to form a subcommittee to meet with the project designers next month on the building site to discuss project refinements. Following the discussion, a motion was made by Regent Mohs, seconded by Regent James to revise resolution I.3.d. The revised resolution I.3.d. was approved by the committee.

(revised) Resolution I.3.d.

That authority be granted to proceed with design of the Engineering Centers project and return to the Board of Regents for authority to construct.

**I.3.e. UW-Madison: Biochemistry/NMR Addition/Instructional Greenhouses Replacement Project Scope and Budget Increase**

Agenda Item I.3.e. requested authority to increase the scope of work and project budget for the Biochemistry/NMR Addition/Instructional Greenhouses Replacement project by \$6,900,000 Gift/Grant funds for a revised total project budget of \$45,148,000 (\$17,250,000 of General Fund Supported Borrowing – WISTAR Matching Funds and \$27,898,000 of Gift/Grant funds.)

Overall, the project included a 94,960 ASF/151,250 GSF addition to the Biochemistry Building, 12,640 ASF/22,550GSF for the National Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Facility, and a 4,800 ASF/6,000 GSF animal facility. The building, as constructed, currently includes a total of approximately 23,635 GSF of shelled-in space on the first, fourth and fifth floors.

This request will complete the shelled-in space to provide research labs and support spaces.

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

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 increase the scope of work and project budget for the Biochemistry/NMR Addition/Instructional Greenhouses Replacement project by \$6,900,000 Gift/Grant funds for a revised total project budget of \$45,148,000 (\$17,250,000 of General Fund Supported Borrowing – WISTAR Matching Funds and \$27,898,000 of Gift/Grant Funds).

**I.3.f. UW-Milwaukee: Engelmann Field Athletic Turf Replacement Project**

Agenda Item I.3.f. requested authority to construct an Engelmann Field Athletic Turf Replacement project at an estimated total project cost of \$230,000 - Program Revenue.

Engelmann Field is a two-acre soccer field located on the Milwaukee campus immediately south of Engelmann Hall. This project will remove and replace the existing natural athletic turf and improve irrigation and drainage systems installed in 1974. It will also extend the length of the playing field area by seven feet. After 24 years of use, the subsurface soil has become compacted with too much decomposed organic material to provide a good medium for root structure growth. In addition, there is a problem with fungus. A sod consultant has recommended total removal and replacement of the sod, and improvements to the drainage and irrigation systems. All work will be done in the Spring of 1999 so that the playing surface will be able to be used in August for the 1999 soccer season.

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

Resolution I.3.f.

That, upon the recommendation of the UW-Milwaukee Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted to construct an Engelmann Field Athletic Turf Replacement project at an estimated total project cost of \$230,000 Program Revenue.

**I.3.g. UW-River Falls: Four Residence Halls Telecommunications Cabling Project**

Agenda Item I.3.g. requested approval of the Design Report and authority to construct a Four Residence Halls Telecommunications Cabling project at an estimated total project cost of \$420,000 of Program Revenue Cash.

This project will install telecommunications cabling in four of the nine residence halls on campus. A total of approximately 2,290 voice, data and video cable outlets will be installed; 1,995 in student rooms and 295 in common areas. Category 3 voice cabling, category 5 data cabling and coaxial video cabling will be provided in accordance with the State Telecommunication Guidelines for Structured Building Wiring Systems. The new residence hall wiring will connect to the campus-wide fiber optic backbone installed in 1993.

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

Resolution I.3.g.

That, upon the recommendation of the UW-River Falls Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted to construct a Four Residence Halls Telecommunications Cabling project at an estimated total project cost of \$420,000 of Program Revenue Cash.

**I.3.h. UW-Stout: Campus Boundary Expansion Project**

Agenda Item I.3.h. requested authority to expand the campus boundary on the north campus, to include six parcels of land.

The property to be included within the campus boundary includes the east half of two blocks located adjacent to the north element of the campus. The area includes six parcels of improved land, each including an older wood frame house mostly used for student rental housing. The City of Menomonie Planning Commission and Campus Development Committee agree with the proposed boundary expansion. All parcels will be purchased as offered for sale by the owners, and at a cost equal to the average of two appraisals. Total acquisition cost is estimated at \$700,000. The land will be used to address the shortages of parking and outdoor recreation space.

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

Resolution I.3.h.

That, upon the recommendation of the UW-Stout Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted to expand the campus boundary on the north campus to include six parcels of land.

**I.3.i. UW-Whitewater: Esker Dining Hall Remodeling Project (Design Report)**

Agenda Item I.3.i. requested approval of the Design Report and authority to construct an Esker Dining Hall Remodeling project, for an estimated total project cost of \$2,387,000 Program Revenue Supported Borrowing.

This project will remodel approximately 29,900 SF of space in Esker Dining Hall. The primary focus will be the ground floor servery, dining, and dishroom areas. New flooring, wall coverings, lighting, ceilings, and signage will be provided, and the current food service equipment and movable service bars will be replaced. The new layout will feature modular food service equipment cased in counters that have portability and food court appeal. The current beverage and self-service areas will be rearranged and updated. One of the two existing elevators will be refurbished to provide accessibility to the public. The other elevator will be retained as a service elevator.

Decorative treatments will be used to improve acoustics and appearance of the two-level, 22'- 6" high ceilings. New furniture will complete the renewal of the dining room. The Whitewater Room will be integrated into the dining area as a breakfast nook or study area. New accessible restrooms will be added.

Remodeling on the first floor will involve the entry, lobby, lounge areas and stairways leading to the serveries/dining rooms.

This project is part of an overall plan to improve the food service facilities at UW-Whitewater to meet the needs of students. The current facilities in Esker Hall are typical of the 1960's era of construction, with inefficient, unattractive cafeteria-style serving facilities. The scope of the project has been expanded to provide accessible restrooms on the lower level, additional remodeling of lounges and corridors, additional infrastructure improvements (HVAC, etc.), and additional equipment replacement.

Upon the motion of Regent Mohs and second of Regent James, 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, the Design Report be approved and authority be granted to construct an Esker Dining Hall Remodeling project, for an estimated total project cost of \$2,387,000 Program Revenue Supported Borrowing.

**I.3.j. Presentation on Design Process for New \$17 Million Academic Building at UW-Green Bay**

To familiarize the Committee with another aspect of facilities planning, a presentation was made on the design process used for the new academic building at UW-Green Bay. Funds for that \$17 million project will be available in July 1999. The project design utilized what is known as the Charrette process, an intensive interaction between designers and the University community. Participants in the

discussion included: System Administration architect Jim Kennedy; Chancellor Perkins; Assistant Chancellor Dean Rodeheaver; and DFD Project Manager Joe Sokal.

**I.3.k. Comments by UW-Green Bay Chancellor**

Chancellor Perkins shared comments on some of the unique program revenue operations at the campus, including the Weidner Center and their 501(c)(3) approach for student housing.

**Closed Session**

The committee adjourned to closed session per s.19.85(1)(f) at 4:26 p.m.

**Adjournment**

The Physical Planning and Funding Committee was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

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Judy Knoll, Recording Secretary