

Minutes
Physical Planning and Funding Committee
Thursday, February 7, 2000

The Physical Planning and Funding Committee met in Room 1511 of Van Hise Hall. The meeting was convened by Regent Gracz at 1:00 p.m. Present were Regents Alexander, and Schneiders. Regent James was absent.

I.3.a. Approval of Committee Minutes

On the motion of Regent Alexander and second of Regent Schneiders the minutes of the December 7, 2000 meeting of the Physical Planning and Funding Committee were approved.

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

- **Building Commission Actions** - Assistant Vice President Nancy Ives reported that UW System projects totaling about \$6.2 M were approved at the December and January State Building Commission meetings. She also reported that two new members were appointed to the Building Commission who are Senator Mark Meyer from LaCrosse who replaced Senator Bob Wirch from Kenosha; and Representative Jeff Plale from South Milwaukee who replaced Representative Bob Turner from Racine.

Assistant Vice President Ives stated that The Division of Facilities Development has not yet released their recommendations on the 2001-03 Capital Budget. She said that preliminary signals indicate that funding, including bonding, will be tight due to current revenue projections. DFD has indicated that the formal Building Commission action on the Capital Budget will probably occur toward the end of March.

- **Other** - Assistant Vice President Ives updated the Committee on the current (1999-01) Capital Budget. She reported that the new Dairy Learning Center project at UW-River Falls, which is currently funded at \$3.4 million, continues to have serious budget problems. Additional academic and facility planning on campus with input from the new dean, faculty and consultants indicated that an additional \$4.2 million would be required to build what is needed. The current approach to this project is to proceed with as much of the project as possible with the existing \$3.4 million, and resubmit the balance for funding in the 2003-05 biennium as a high priority.

UW-River Falls Chancellor Lydecker outlined the importance of the Dairy Science program to the mission of the University, and mentioned that this program is the largest undergraduate dairy science program in the country. She also stated that the needs for outreach continue to grow as agriculture changes.

Virgil Nylander spoke about the project's budgetary issues and explained that final program statements resulted in project budget estimates of \$7.6M. The committee viewed photographs that showed the extremely dilapidated condition of the existing facilities.

Regent Schneiders expressed hope that the campus would complete each phase of the project so it results in the right kind of learning atmosphere for the students. She urged that the project be constructed at the proper level so the campus doesn't end up with problems of maintenance.

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

I.3. c. UW-Eau Claire: Governors Hall Window and Screen Replacement

This item requested authority to construct a Governors Hall Window and Screen Replacement Project at an estimated total project cost of \$355,000 of Program Revenue-Housing.

This project will replace 172 slider windows, seven fixed/awning windows and four service doors with new units with improved thermal performance. Replacing the old, worn aluminum windows with new brown aluminum units that offer improved thermal performance will better the appearance of the structure and improve the building's energy efficiency.

Upon the motion of Regent Alexander and second of Regent Schneiders the Committee approved Resolution I.3.c.

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That, upon the recommendation of the UW-Eau Claire Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted to construct a Governors Hall Window and Screen Replacement Project at an estimated total project cost of \$355,000 of Program Revenue-Housing.

I.3.d. UW-Green Bay: Two East Campus Parking Lots

This item requested authority to construct two east campus parking lots at an estimated total project budget of \$255,800 of Program Revenue–Parking funds.

Evaluation of vehicular circulation and access to the new classroom building indicated a need for additional adjacent visitor parking. This project will construct a new 74-stall visitor parking lot adjacent to the new classroom which is currently under construction. The proposed lot will be a part of the roadway access/circulation for the new building and will provide a close drop-off site and parking for campus visitors to both the new classroom building and the University Union.

The existing 276 stall Sports Center parking lot will also be expanded to provide approximately 170 additional parking stalls for students and staff. Expansion of this lot will provide for a portion of the parking needs generated by the twenty new classrooms and more than eighty faculty and staff offices located in the new building. The additional lot space, which is compatible with long-range plans, will also address parking needs for Sports Center events.

Although this project will be funded using existing parking reserve funds, it is expected that parking rates will increase by \$1.00 per semester on July 1, 2001 to restore and maintain required parking fund reserves.

Upon the motion of Regent Alexander and second of Regent Schneiders the Committee approved Resolution I.3.d.

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That, upon the recommendation of the UW-Green Bay Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted to construct two east campus parking lots at an estimated total project budget of \$255,800 of Program Revenue–Parking funds.

I.3.e. UW-Madison: Temin Lakeshore Path Improvements

This item requested authority to construct a Howard Temin Lakeshore Path Improvements project at an estimated total project cost of \$488,400 [\$390,720 Wisconsin Department of Transportation Statewide Transportation Enhancements Program (STEP) Grant Funds and \$97,680 Program Revenue-Parking Utility Funds].

This project will improve the Howard Temin Lakeshore Path that is located along the south shoreline of Lake Mendota. The path is approximately three miles long, connecting the Village of Shorewood Hills and UW-Madison student family housing on the west to the Memorial Union and downtown Madison on the east.

UW-Madison Landscape Architect Gary Brown explained that the split path will be maintained to separate the bicycle and pedestrian traffic for safety reasons. He mentioned that this project will improve safety, upgrade the quality of the path surface, help eliminate erosion, control storm water runoff, and provide intersection improvements. Brown said the unpaved section will be retained to maintain the aesthetics of the path.

The Lakeshore Path Advisory Committee, which was appointed by the Chancellor in 1999, oversaw the development of the “Report on Howard Temin Lakeshore Path Rehabilitation.” The report outlines the consultant’s recommended improvements to the path and serves as the Master Plan for the Lakeshore Path. This project will be the first authorized to be undertaken using the report's recommendations.

The cost to implement all of the current recommendations is estimated at approximately \$630,000, excluding improvements to the parking lot behind the Limnology Building that will be implemented as a separate Parking Utility project in the near future. It is anticipated that a portion of the path improvement work will also be undertaken as part of a future All Agency funded lakewater supply line replacement project. As additional funding becomes available, other suggested rehabilitation projects along the Howard Temin Lakeshore Path will be implemented.

The Statewide Transportation Enhancements Program (STEP) is under the umbrella of the Federal TEA-21 (Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, formerly known as ISTEA (the 1991 Inter-modal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act) Program, which requires a 20% sponsor contribution. Accordingly, \$97,680 of Program Revenue-Parking Utility Funds are being used as a match to the STEP grant that was awarded to the University in 1999.

Construction documents are expected to be developed in spring 2001 with bidding and construction to follow during the summer and fall of 2001. This timeframe will enable coordination with an approved flood control project that will be implemented this summer to raise the shoreline along the west side of University Bay.

Upon the motion of Regent Alexander and second of Regent Schneiders the Committee approved Resolution I.3.e.

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That, upon the recommendation of the UW-Madison Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted to construct a Howard Temin Lakeshore Path Improvements project at an estimated total project cost of \$488,400 [\$390,720 Wisconsin Department of Transportation Statewide Transportation Enhancements Program (STEP) Grant Funds and \$97,680 Program Revenue-Parking Utility Funds].

I.3.f. UW-River Falls: Horse Barn Post-Bid Budget Increase of \$106,000

This item requested authority to increase the budget of the Young Horse Training Barn project by \$106,000 for a revised total project cost of \$480,000.

This project will provide for construction of a 42 box-stall horse barn which is designed to accommodate a total of 50 stalls, connection to the Indoor Livestock Education Facility, and a future addition. Construction will be typical of horse barns in the area, using design-build construction.

This project was authorized at \$374,000 in June 1999. Bids taken in December 2000 resulted in a total project budget of \$511,600. Negotiations with the low bidder to reduce the project cost have resulted in deferral of a small building connection from the new Young Horse Training Barn to the Indoor Livestock Education Facility. In addition, construction of eight of the fifty horse stalls is being deferred, including the associated exhaust ductwork and concrete work plumbing. Deferral of these items will reduce the budget by \$21,600 and enable the facility to be constructed within the available amount of funds without major consequence to programming.

Construction of the deferred items and future expansion (office, restroom and storage areas) are dependent upon procurement of additional funds.

Upon the motion of Regent Alexander and second of Regent Schneiders the Committee approved Resolution I.3.f.

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That, upon the recommendation of the UW-River Falls Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted to increase the budget by \$106,000 to construct the Young Horse Training Barn at the Campus Laboratory Farm, for a revised total project cost of \$480,000 (\$454,220 Gift Funds and \$25,780 Institutional Funds).

Adjournment

The Physical Planning and Funding Committee adjourned at 1:45 p.m.



Judy Knoll, Recording Secretary