

Minutes
Physical Planning and Funding Committee
Thursday, February 7, 2002

The Physical Planning and Funding Committee met in Room 1511 of Van Hise Hall. Committee Chair Regent Gracz called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m. Present were Regents DeSimone and Schneiders. Regent Barry was absent.

I.3.a. Approval of Committee Minutes

On the motion of Regent Schneiders and the second of Regent DeSimone the minutes of the December 6, 2001 meeting of the Physical Planning and Funding Committee were approved.

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

Assistant Vice President Nancy Ives reported that the Building Commission approved about \$91M for various projects at their December and January meetings. She mentioned that \$5.5M of maintenance projects were approved in December and another \$3M were approved in January. Ives explained that System requests both maintenance and improvement projects that will upgrade existing space to better meet academic needs.

Assistant Vice President Ives reported that the new administrator of the Division of Facilities Development (DFD) hired a consultant to help evaluate how that division does business. She and UW-Madison representatives Bruce Braun and John Harrod, as well as the physical plant director of UW-Eau Claire, all participated in interviews with the consultant. Results of those meetings will be available soon.

The Committee discussed the future building program and the positive impact it would have on the Wisconsin economy by providing jobs and contributing to state tax revenue.

The Committee decided to move the discussion of Item I.3.c. to the end of the agenda and proceeded to discuss item I.3.d.

I.3.d. UW-Madison: Southeast Recreational Facility Addition (SERF) Project Scope and Budget Increase

This item requested authority to increase the budget by \$276,000 of Residual Program Revenue Supported Borrowing for the Southeast Recreational Facility Addition (SERF) project. to allow the acceptance of bids related to air conditioning portions of the existing SERF building. The areas to be air-conditioned are: the administrative area, racquetball courts, weight room, circuit training and cardiovascular exercise rooms.

Due to a tight project budget, an alternate bid was taken for each of the four base bids, all related to air conditioning of existing spaces. An overall budget increase of \$276,000 is necessary to accept the alternate bids.

Air conditioning was part of the original building design and the ducts needed for carrying chilled air to the appropriate areas were installed when the building was constructed, but the mechanical equipment was eliminated due to budget constraints. The air conditioning is needed in the administrative, exercise and training areas, as the room conditions become unbearable during the summer months for occupants due to high humidity and temperature levels. This request will provide tempered air to locker rooms and air conditioning for all existing spaces with the exception of the two high-ceiling gymnasiums, the swimming pool, hallways and stairways.

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

Resolution I.3.d.

That, upon the recommendation of the UW-Madison Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted to increase the budget for the Southeast Recreational Facility Addition (SERF) by \$276,000 of Residual Program Revenue Supported Borrowing for a revised estimated total project cost of \$6,572,000 of Program Revenue Supported Borrowing.

I.3.e. UW-Milwaukee: Klotsche Center Addition, Remodeling and Parking (Design Report)

This item requested approval of the Design Report and authority to construct the Klotsche Center Addition, Remodeling and Parking project at an estimated total project cost of \$42,117,000. This project will construct a 92,600 ASF / 134,700 GSF addition to the existing facility for physical education and physical therapy and will also construct an underground parking structure. No additional space has been added to the facility since its original construction 25 years ago.

Mr. Lou Stippich of Venture Architects explained the concepts and features of the project to the Committee. Regent Schneiders asked how they planned to relate the older and newer building exteriors. Mr. Stippich said that they would select brick colors that would blend well to create a sense of connection between the two areas.

Needed expansion space will be provided for instruction, training, intramural, recreation, and intercollegiate athletic sports, as well as facilities for the new Physical Therapy program, expanded and consolidated facilities for the Sports Medicine program, and replacement support space for the intercollegiate Athletics programs. In the existing facility, approximately 10,200 ASF will be remodeled to meet changing programmatic needs. Major improvements include the replacement of the existing men's and women's locker room lockers, replacement of eight racquetball court floors, upgrading the existing gym/arena lighting and sound systems, replacement of the existing pool filtration system, and the addition of air conditioning / ventilation improvements for the existing gym/arena. Features of the new addition and remodeled areas will include a four-court gymnasium with elevated running track, locker rooms, weight rooms, cardiovascular classroom, warm water therapy pool, activity classrooms, along with laboratories, offices and support space.

UW-Milwaukee suffers from a severe deficit of on-campus parking facilities. The addition will reconfigure the existing 304-space surface parking area to provide a new five-level parking facility below the addition with a capacity of 624 spaces. Along with 43 reconfigured surface spaces, the project will yield a net gain of 363 spaces for campus-wide use.

The cost of the parking facilities will be funded with parking program revenue. As a result of this project, parking fees and fines will be increased beginning in 2002-03 by six per cent per year for ten years. In addition, a portion of the project cost will be funded by student segregated fee revenue. The Student Association Senate passed a resolution in November 1996, to support a non-allocable fee for the new addition. Costs to add air conditioning to the existing gymnasium/arena and to operate that air conditioning will be funded with institutional funds. Bidding of this project is scheduled for January 2003.

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

Resolution I.3.e.

That, upon the recommendation of the UW-Milwaukee Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, the Design Report be approved and authority be granted to construct the Klotsche Center Addition, Remodeling and Parking project at an estimated total project cost of \$42,117,000 (\$16,290,000 General Fund Supported Borrowing; \$25,327,000 Program Revenue Supported Borrowing and \$500,000 Gifts, Grants, or other receipts).

I.3.c. 2003-05 Capital Budget Ranking Criteria for GPR Major Projects

The ranking criteria reflect current systemwide initiatives and priorities related to maintenance and quality of the learning environment, and the new Wisconsin economy. The use of the criteria will result in a priority list that addresses the greatest needs, highest academic priorities and most cost-effective solutions to various facility problems.

Regent Schneiders asked how the academic significance of the projects is determined. Assistant Vice President Ives explained that each campus prioritizes their own projects since they know best how important it is for their institution to move forward in a specific academic area. She stated that each campus has a campus planning committee that serves as an advisory group to the chancellor and helps determine their institution's project priorities. One of their main considerations is the project's effect on the academic program of the institution. Ives stated that at the System level, capital planning and budget staff consult with academic affairs staff about priorities, as well as consider Regent input and economic considerations. System also considers how accreditation or the availability of federal funds, etc. might impact a project.

Ives informed the Committee that the Division of Facilities Development expects to have their instructions for the capital budget available on February 27th.

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

Resolution I.3.c.

That, upon the recommendation of the President of the University of Wisconsin System, emphasis of facilities maintenance, academic and strategic significance and operating efficiencies be adopted as the basis for prioritizing and categorizing GPR major projects for inclusion in the System's 2003-05 Capital Budget, as supported through the use of the ranking criteria attached as Appendix A;

That, other factors may be considered by System Administration and the Board of Regents in ranking GPR major projects to address unique circumstances such as accreditation requirements, historic value of facilities, and outside funding opportunities;

That, all GPR projects requiring enumeration must be supported by a completed Campus Space Use Plan;

That, at all stages of the priority setting process, consideration be given to the institutional priority established by each Chancellor;

That, projects supported by the Board of Regents for construction funding in the 2001-03 biennium but not funded by the legislature, will be given top priority for funding in 2003-05, unless institutional priorities have changed, or project scopes have significantly changed.

That, additional guidelines which may be established by the Department of Administration will be addressed in the context of the foregoing framework.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.



Judy Knoll, Recording Secretary