

Minutes
Physical Planning and Funding Committee
Thursday, April 7, 2005

Committee Chair Regent Salas convened the Physical Planning and Funding Committee meeting at 1:38 p.m. in Room 1511 of Van Hise Hall on the UW-Madison campus. Present were Regents Gottschalk, McPike, and Smith.

I.3.a. Approval of Committee Minutes

The minutes of the March 10, 2005 meeting of the Physical Planning and Funding Committee stood approved as distributed.

The committee considered item I.3.b. after considering the action items.

I.3.c. UW-Madison: Central Campus Utility Improvements Project Budget Increase

This item requested authority to increase the budget of the Central Campus Utility Improvement Project by \$4,683,275 (\$3,392,275 General Fund Supported Borrowing; \$120,200 of Madison Water Utility funds and \$1,170,800 Program Revenue Supported Borrowing for total revised project budget of \$19,818,869 (\$14,694,869 General Program Revenue Supported Borrowing, \$4,806,800 Program Revenue Supported Borrowing and \$317,200 of Madison Water Utility funds).

Bids for this project were received on March 16, 2005. The lowest bids came in over cost estimates due primarily to the complexity of the project. Reducing the project scope to stay within budget would have deferred much needed central campus utility improvements. Deferring this work would cause repeated disruptions of campus traffic corridors and increased construction costs.

This project is presently constructing utility system improvements that coincide with the construction of the West Campus Cogeneration Facility (WCCF).

The construction of the new West Campus Cogeneration Facility (WCCF) will increase the supply of heating (steam), cooling (chilled water) and electricity transported by the existing distribution system. The WCCF will be capable of generating up to an additional 600,000 pounds of steam per hour, and 20,000 tons of chilled water. Interconnection between the campus utility systems and the WCCF, which is accomplished by this project, is vital for the efficient operation of the campus utility system.

Upon the motion of Regent Smith and the second of Regent McPike the Committee approved Resolution I.3.c.

Resolution I.3.c.

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 of the Central Campus Utility Improvement Project by \$4,683,275 (\$3,392,275 General Fund Supported Borrowing; \$120,200 of Madison Water Utility funds and \$1,170,800 Program Revenue Supported Borrowing for total revised project budget of \$19,818,869 (\$14,694,869 General Program Revenue Supported Borrowing, \$4,806,800 Program Revenue Supported Borrowing and \$317,200 of Madison Water Utility funds).

I.3.d. UW-Madison: Appointment to the University Research Park Design Review Board

This item requested approval of the appointment of Sarah F. Canon to serve on the Design Review Board for the University Research Park. The board reviews proposals for design, development, and construction in the University Research Park. This appointment would replace a member of this group who served in the position that requires a professional architectural design background and who recently resigned.

The appointment of Sarah F. Canon, who is an accomplished and skilled practicing architect with numerous awards and honors, is both endorsed by UW-Madison Chancellor John Wiley and supported by University Research Park Director Mark Bugher.

In response to a question from Regent Salas, David Miller explained that there is no specific limit to a term of appointment to the Design Review Board.

Upon the motion of Regent Gottschalk and the second of Regent Smith 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 appoint Sarah F. Canon to serve on the Design Review Board for the University Research Park.

I.3.e. UW-Oshkosh: Student Recreation and Wellness Center (Design Report)

This item requested (a) approval of the Design Report; (b) authority to increase the project budget by \$794,000 Residual Program Revenue Supported Borrowing; and (c) authority to construct the Student Recreation and Wellness Center project at an estimated total project cost of \$21,000,000 (\$20,206,000 Program Revenue Supported Borrowing and \$794,000 Residual Program Revenue Supported Borrowing.) This project was enumerated in the 2003-2005 Capital Budget at \$20,206,000 Program Revenue Supported Borrowing.

This project will construct a new 75,041 ASF/101,400 GSF student recreation and wellness center on the southwest corner of the campus along the Fox River. The first floor of the two-story facility will include a gymnasium, multi-purpose activity center, cardio/weight areas, simulator rooms, lockers, outdoor recreation service area, wellness center, offices, and juice bar/media center. The second floor spaces will include multipurpose rooms, additional cardio areas, and a conditioning track. Campus utilities will be extended to serve this facility.

Due to the unusual increase in construction costs from the time the project was enumerated to the proposed time of construction, the scope of this project was carefully reviewed for potential cost savings. As a result, the size of the building was reduced and the budget was increased to the amount that the students were willing to support. Students have been actively involved in the planning and design of this project. In April 2003, students approved an increase in segregated fees sufficient to support \$21,000,000 of debt service and operating expenses. Fees will increase by \$192, phased in over four years, from \$482 in the 2004-2005 academic year.

Senior Facilities Architect Jeff Kosloske pointed out design features of the new center which will include a substantial amount of glazing to allow the use of natural daylighting.

Chancellor Wells stated that the major objective of this project was to make the building welcoming and appealing to the broadest number of students of as possible since their fees will pay for construction of this facility.

In response to a question from Regent Salas, Chancellor Wells explained that the new center will be conveniently located less than 200 yards from the residence halls. Wells continued by mentioning that the community of Oshkosh is very excited about this project because it will create a signature facility along the Oshkosh, Fox River corridor which is presently undergoing redevelopment.

Upon the motion of Regent Gottschalk and the second of Regent Smith the Committee approved Resolution I.3.e.

Resolution I.3.e.

That, upon the recommendation of the UW-Oshkosh Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, (a) the Design Report be approved; (b) authority be granted to increase the project budget by \$794,000 Residual Program Revenue Supported Borrowing; and (c) authority be granted to construct the Student Recreation and Wellness Center project at an estimated total project cost of \$21,000,000 (\$20,206,000 Program Revenue Supported Borrowing and \$794,000 Residual Program Revenue Supported Borrowing.)

I.3.f. UW-River Falls: Naming of the New Residence Hall the "George R. Field South Fork Suites"

This item requested authority to name the new residence hall on the UW-River Falls campus the "George R. Field South Fork Suites" after former Chancellor Field. This proposed naming was discussed in closed session at the March 2005 committee meeting.

UW-River Falls Interim Chancellor Virgil Nylander spoke to the committee about this request. He explained that Chancellor Field was appointed the tenth president of Wisconsin State University–River Falls in 1968 and became one of the institution's longest serving Chancellors. In his 17 years of leadership, the campus experienced rapid growth and a great deal of change in students, staff, programs, and facilities. Shared governance was strengthened as the Faculty Senate, Student Senate, and Academic Staff Council were brought into the UW-River Falls policy-making process with Field's guidance. Field worked to ensure students a much larger role in institutional decision-making. He had extremely significant and positive impact on UW-River Falls during a period of great challenge, change, and opportunity. A dedication ceremony for this building is planned to be held on May 9th.

Upon the motion of Regent Smith and the second of Regent McPike the Committee approved Resolution I.3.f.

Resolution I.3.f.

That, upon the recommendation of UW-River Falls Interim Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted to name the new residence hall on the UW-River Falls campus the "George R. Field South Fork Suites."

I.3.g. UW System: Maintenance and Repair Projects

This item requested authority to construct a maintenance and repair project and a remodeling project through the All Agency Projects Program at an estimated total cost of \$2,496,600.

UW-Eau Claire – Sutherland Hall HVAC System Steam Conversion and Exterior Door, Louver, and Window Replacement (\$1,727,000): This project replaces the existing steam heating system with a hot water heating system and removes the abandoned vacuum cleaning system to provide adequate mechanical room space and improve room ventilation for environmental controls. The project also replaces all exterior doors, windows and screens, storefronts, and louvers and vents in Sutherland Hall.

UW-Milwaukee – Physics Laser Interferometer Gravitational Wave Observatory (LIGO) Lab Remodeling (\$400,000): This project remodels 1,625 ASF into a consolidated and expanded computer research facility for the LIGO Scientific Collaboration research group. Rooms in the Physics Building will be combined to provide flexibly configurable space for up to 1,000 dual processor computers. The (LIGO) lab is a national facility dedicated to the detection of cosmic gravitational waves and the harnessing of those waves for scientific research.

Regent Salas congratulated the Milwaukee campus for receiving a National Science Foundation Grant.

Upon the motion of Regent Smith and the second of Regent McPike the Committee approved Resolution I.3.g.

Revised Resolution I.3.g.

That, upon the recommendation of the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted to construct various maintenance and repair projects at an estimated total cost of \$2,496,600 (\$493,600 Gifts and Grants, \$276,000 Agency Funds, and \$1,972,000 Program Revenue Cash).

I.3.h. UW-Madison: Naming of the Boat House "The Porter Boat House"

This item requested authority make an exception to Regent Policy 96-1 and name the new Boat House "The Porter Boat House" in recognition of the Ben and Cheslee Porter Family's contribution of over \$1 million toward the facility that has already been constructed. The Board of Regents policy requires that every request to name or dedicate facilities after a person be brought to the Physical Planning and Funding Committee for discussion in closed session at least one month prior to a request for formal Board of Regents action. This item requested an exception to this policy.

Regent Gottschalk explained that the request to waive the prior month closed session requirement concerned a matter of timing to accommodate an already scheduled grand opening of the boat house. Regent Salas stated that he believed the committee should always attempt to follow its procedures but he understood the reason for the need of this request to waive the policy.

The Porter family contribution represents the single largest contribution to the new Boat House facility. In recognition of their enormous generosity to the University of Wisconsin-Madison, the campus proposes that the new Boat House, located at 680 Babcock Drive, be named the "The Porter Boat House." In addition to providing funding for the boathouse, Ben and Cheslee Porter have started a major fundraising campaign to create endowment funds for the University of Wisconsin-Madison's Crew Program and Law School. The gift is also intended to honor Mr. Porter's father, Benjamin T. Porter and his two brothers Knight Cunningham Porter and Robert T. Porter, all of whom attended the University of Wisconsin – Madison.

Upon the motion of Regent Gottchalk and the second of Regent Smith the Committee approved Resolution I.3.h.

Resolution I.3.h.

That, upon the recommendation of the UW-Madison Chancellor and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, authority be granted to make an exception to Board of Regents Policy 96-1 and name the new UW-Madison Boat House “The Porter Boat House.”

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

Assistant Vice President Miller reported that the Building Commission approved about \$75 million for various projects at their March meeting. Of that amount \$11 million was GFSB, \$52 million was Program Revenue, and \$12 million was Gifts and Grants. (For details, please see the chart at the end of these minutes.)

Miller also presented two planning reports to the committee. The first was a report of a UW System Housing Working Group that was informally formed to address future housing design and pricing. The report clarifies the processes for future planning and pricing student housing. The outline identifies four basic types of student housing and three pricing structures to guide campuses in planning these facilities and emphasizes student involvement.

The second report related to planning for 2007-09 major projects in response to the Department of Administration’s and the Building Commission’s request to plan projects within predetermined funding targets. The report outlines future approvals for planning that will be coming back to the Regents as the projects develop. Nine projects were on the Regents original budget request for 2007-09; the UW-Milwaukee project is already advance enumerated in the 2005-07 Capital Budget. Of the remaining eight, four will be developed for 2007-09 and four will be developed for 2009-11.

Regent Salas stated that he was pleased to know that the discussion with the Department of Administration about the projects and their priorities had gone so well and the committee expressed appreciation to President Marcovich for his work to ensure that the prioritizing of future projects would remain with the Board of Regents.

Miller stated that four projects from UW-Parskide, UW-Superior, UW-La Crosse and UW-Oshkosh were ready to be developed for 2005-07 planning and suggested that he bring each of these projects to the committee in the future when each is ready for planning approval. Miller recommend that each of these projects be treated as one of a group of four and that each should move ahead in the process as it is ready.

Regent Salas and Mr. Miller discussed the 25 percent reduction required of the 2005-07 planning projects and in answer to a question from Regent Smith about the rationale of the reduction Miller answered that the purpose was to spread state bonding further. Regent Salas invited campus representatives to comment on the 25 percent budget or scope reduction requirement that DOA has required for the 2005-07 planning projects. The chancellors commented that: the requirement might result in having to settle for 25 percent less of a facility because of the difficulty in raising enough gift funds to equal the budget cut; it is difficult for donors to have assurance that their donation will be honored when there is no solid commitment from the state that the project will be built; and there is no real tradition of such significant donations to most of the comprehensive institutions.

Regent President Walsh joined the meeting at 2:21. David Miller discussed the potential purchase of a hotel in Platteville for use as a future residence hall for UW-Platteville. He said that the building would require approximately \$2 to 2.5 million dollars of upgrades that need to be made.

Chancellor Markee spoke to the committee about the possibility of acquiring the hotel which also includes a convention center.

Adjournment

The Physical Planning and Funding Committee meeting adjourned to closed session at 2:40 p.m. for purposes of considering personal histories, as permitted by s.19.85(1)(f), *Wis. Stats.*, related to the naming of a facility at UW-Madison and concluded their discussion at 3:05 p.m.

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March 2005 SBC Actions for April 2005 PPF Committee Meeting		
Campus	Project / Funding	Amt. Approved
GBY	Phoenix Sports Center - construct and increase budget	
	\$7,500,000 GFSB	
	\$15,000,000 PRSB	
	\$9,500,000 Gift Funds	\$32,000,000
MSN	Dayton Street Residence Hall	
	\$34,900,000 PRSB	
	\$1,000,000 PR-Cash	\$35,900,000
MSN	Camp Randall Stadium Expansion/Renovation - budget increase	
	\$2,137,000 Gift Funds	\$2,137,000
MSN	Central Campus Utility Improv. - increase budget	
	\$3,392,275 GFSB	
	\$120,200 City of Madison Water Utility Funds	
	\$1,170,800 PRSB	\$4,683,275
March SBC Meeting TOTAL		\$74,720,275