

Approved by the Board of Trustees,
July 14, 2005

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ROLL CALL

EMPLOY ARCHITECT/ENGINEER FOR IRWIN ACADEMIC SERVICES CENTER ADDITION, URBANA

Action: Approve Employment of Architect/Engineer for Irwin Academic Services Center Addition, Urbana

Funding: Gift Funds

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Irwin Academic Services Center Addition project will expand the existing Irwin Academic Services Center, located at the southwest corner of Fourth Street and Armory Avenue, Champaign. This project will provide supplementary spaces for classrooms, computer labs, a multipurpose room, tutoring rooms, and offices. This \$4.6 million project will also require minor demolition and remodeling selected areas within the existing facility to accommodate the addition as well as a new roof. The addition will be modeled after an in-house conceptual planning effort.

In order for the project to proceed, it is necessary to employ an architect/engineer for the required professional services. The selection of the architect/engineer for

this project was in accordance with the requirements and provisions of Public Act 87-673 (Architectural, Engineering, and Land Surveying Qualifications-Based Selection Act).¹

The board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes*, *The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

Accordingly, the Chancellor at Urbana with the concurrence of the appropriate University officers recommends that RATIO Architects, Champaign, Illinois, be employed for the professional services required. The firm's fees are basic services, including on-site observation, at a fixed fee of \$390,800; post-construction services at an hourly rate not to exceed \$8,400; and reimbursables estimated at \$35,000. Funds for the project are available from gift funds.

The President of the University concurs.

¹A selection committee consisting of Clif Carey, Edward Scopel, Kent Reifsteck and Jill Maxey (Planning Division, Facilities & Services), Dana Brenner and Thomas Michael (Division of Intercollegiate Athletics) interviewed the following firms (listed in ranking order): (1) RATIO Architects, Champaign; (2) Nagle, Hartray, Danker, McKay, Penney, Chicago; (3) Ross-Barney + Jankowski, Chicago. The committee recommends RATIO Architects, Champaign, as the firm best meeting the criteria for the project.