ROLL CALL

APPROVE PROJECT BUDGET FOR UBBEN BASKETBALL COMPLEX EXPANSION, DIVISION OF INTERCOLLEGiate ATHLETICS, URBANA

Action: Approve Project Budget for Ubben Basketball Complex Expansion, Division of Intercollegiate Athletics

Funding: Institutional Funds Operating Budget, Gift Funds, Auxiliary Facility System Repair and Replacement Reserve Funds, Auxiliary Facility System Revenue Bonds

In September 2020, the Board of Trustees approved the Ubben Basketball Complex Expansion project and design with a total budget of $35.0 million. The project will expand the basketball practice courts to include two additional half-court areas. The south addition will provide new coaches’ offices and meeting rooms. The north addition and remodel will provide a sports medicine area, strength training, locker rooms, and a multipurpose room that will serve as the academic and nutrition center. Site improvements will include a new entrance from St. Mary’s road, with a circle drive and expanded parking.

A conceptualization study completed in June 2018, proposed increasing the size of the current facility from 39,440 square feet to a total of approximately 81,000 square feet and the recommended budget. During the schematic design and design development phases, various value-engineering steps were undertaken to keep the project
within the approved budget and the project square footage was reduced from 81,000 to 74,000 square feet through more efficient circulation and space layout.

During the value engineering process, the project team recommended the addition of a photovoltaic array, not in the original project scope, to meet the University’s energy conservation goals. In addition, it was recommended that the replacement of existing roofing, air handling units, and wood gymnasium flooring, scheduled to be completed soon, be added to the current project to achieve economies of scale benefits. The increased budget will also reduce energy consumption and deferred maintenance costs. It will result in a facility that is competitive with other recent structures of this type and provide the most creative and useful training spaces for student athletes.

Accordingly, at the request of the Division of Intercollegiate Athletics, the Chancellor, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, and Vice President, University of Illinois System with the concurrence of the appropriate administrative officers, recommends that the Board approve an increase in the budget for this project by $4,800,000 to $39,800,000. Funds to pay for the additional budget is available from the Department’s repair and replacement fund and from savings from other construction projects.

The Board actions 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.
Funds for this project are available from institutional funds operating budget of the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, proceeds from Gift Funds, and Auxiliary Facility System Repair and Replacement Reserve Funds, and the Auxiliary Facility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2018A.

The President of the University concurs.