ROLL CALL

INCREASE PROJECT BUDGET FOR SCHOOL OF MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR BIOLOGY CENTER FOR UNDERGRADUATE ADVISING AND INSTRUCTION, BURRILL HALL, URBANA

Action: Increase Project Budget for School of Molecular and Cellular Biology Center for Undergraduate Advising and Instruction, Burrill Hall

Funding: Institutional Funds Operating Budget

The School of Molecular and Cellular Biology, after relocating from the Natural History Building, was faced with maintaining high quality instructional programs in spaces that were scattered and not well-suited to fulfill mission objectives. In January 2015, the Board approved the $5,760,000 School of Molecular and Cellular Biology Center for Undergraduate Advising and Instruction project at Burrill Hall to address this condition. The scope of work includes approximately 16,700 gross square feet of renovated area vacated by the Library in Burrill Hall. Anticipated benefits include centralized advisement and career services assistance, expanded instructional space to meet current academic teaching models, and modernized computer classrooms and discussion rooms designed for collaborative learning. Additional emergency egress will be incorporated, as well as accessibility in compliance with Americans with Disability Act to all levels within the project area, and provisions for personal security of students and staff.
Bids for the construction work have been received. The increased funds would support the award of bids, including bid alternates.

Accordingly, the Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and the Vice President, University of Illinois with the concurrence of the appropriate administrative officers, recommends that the Board approve an increase in the project budget to $6,076,000, an increase of $316,000.

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.

Funds for this project are available from the institutional funds operating budget of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

The President of the University concurs.

Construction is scheduled to be completed in June 2018.