

Board Meeting
May 20, 2010

ROLL CALL

APPROVE PROJECT FOR RESEARCH LABORATORY RENOVATION, COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY, CHICAGO

Action: Approve Project for Research Laboratory Renovation, College of Dentistry

Funding: NCRN/NIH Research Facilities Improvement Program – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) C06 Grant Program

In order to fully realize the College of Dentistry's mission to become a leader in centers of innovative interdisciplinary research excellence and training of oral health scientists, the College proposes to renovate 23,000 square feet of space into up-to-date research space. The need for renovation is compelling. The College currently has no clinical research space, animal facilities that are filled to capacity, limited core facilities, and lab space that is so limited that faculty cannot expand their research programs. This project will add at least 9,000 square feet of new research space and renovate approximately 14,000 square feet of poorly configured 35-year-old space.

The scope of this project will include reconfiguration of outdated spaces on the first, fourth, and fifth floors in the College of Dentistry Building into new Clinical Research Facilities, Animal Facilities, Core Facilities, and Translational Labs for funded investigators. The proposed project will allow the College to recruit and train basic, clinical, and translational scientists in the recently-funded National Institute of

Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) T32 Program; improve Core Facility support for existing faculty; increase College faculty's ability to create collaborative projects within the University's newly-funded Center for Clinical and Translational Science (CCTS); and speed up scientific progress within existing innovative research areas of Wound Healing, Cancer Biology, and Tissue Engineering.

Work will also include reconfiguration of the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning; sprinkler; plumbing; electrical; and data/telecommunication systems in the project areas.

The College received federal support for this work under the National Center for Research Resources/National Institute for Health (NCRR/NIH) Research Facilities Improvement Program – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) C06 grant program.

Accordingly, the Chancellor at Chicago with the concurrence of the appropriate administrative officers recommends that the Research Laboratory Renovation project be approved with a budget of \$9,915,615.

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 NCRR/NIH Research Facilities Improvement Program – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) C06 grant program.

The President of the University concurs.