ROLL CALL

APPROVE PROJECT BUDGET FOR RENOVATION, NATURAL HISTORY BUILDING, URBANA

Action: Approve Project Budget for Renovation, Natural History Building

Funding: Institutional Funds Operating Budget, Academic Facilities Maintenance Fund Assessment Fund, and Gift Funds

In December 2011, the Board approved the $70.0 million project to modernize and repurpose instructional, research laboratory, and office space, while also infilling open courtyard space with new multi-story areas for building infrastructure. Since 2014, the Board has approved a total of $8,335,091 in budget increases to address various issues including necessary improvements and upgrades to infrastructure, energy efficient mechanical systems, and for extensive unforeseen conditions encountered in this over 120-year-old historic facility. These unforeseen conditions included structural damage from previous fires, unstable frozen concrete floors, unexpected wall penetrations, finding of hazardous material used as cinder fill, and concrete floor moisture mitigation.

A budget increase of $934,000 is now necessary to support additional costs for the Professional Services Consultant, Construction Manager, and Contractors due to
delays, including final change order pricing, moving costs, and necessary costs for project closeout.

Accordingly, the Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and 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 $79,269,091, an increase of $934,000.

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 institutional funds operating budget of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Academic Facilities Maintenance Fund Assessment Fund, and gift funds.

The President of the University concurs.