

Board Meeting
July 24, 2014

ROLL CALL

AWARD CONTRACTS FOR RENOVATION, NATURAL HISTORY BUILDING,
URBANA

Action: Approve the Award of Contracts for Renovation, Natural History Building

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

In December 2011, at the conclusion of a conceptualization study, the Board approved the \$70.0 million project to modernize and repurpose approximately 148,000 gross square feet (gsf) of instructional, research laboratory, and office space, while also infilling 6,000 gsf of open courtyard space with new multi-story areas for building infrastructure. In March 2014, the Board of Trustees approved a budget increase for \$3,435,091 for a total project budget of \$73,435,091. Improvements and upgrades to infrastructure include plumbing, laboratory exhaust, electrical systems, code compliant facility requisites, and energy efficient mechanical (heating, ventilation, and air conditioning) systems.

Bids for the first phase of the construction work have been solicited and for the project to proceed, 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 following contracts be awarded.¹

Competitive bidding procedures in accordance with the Illinois Procurement Code were followed; and the awards are to the lowest responsible bidder for each division on the basis of its base bid:

Division 01A – General Work

Williams Brothers Co., Peoria Heights, IL	Base Bid	<u>\$5,880,000</u>
TOTAL		<u>\$5,880,000</u>

Division 28 – Structural Steel Work

Ben Hur Steel Worx, Inc., St. Louis, MO	Base Bid	<u>\$2,587,000</u>
TOTAL		<u>\$2,587,000</u>

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 Urbana-Champaign campus, Academic Facilities Maintenance Fund Assessment Fund, and gift funds.

The President of the University concurs.

¹ Contracts for other divisions were awarded that are within the delegated approval levels: Division 1, General Work, CORE Construction Services of Illinois, Inc., Morton, IL, \$2,112,000; Division 16, Demolition Work, CORE Construction Services of Illinois, Inc., Morton, IL, \$1,893,000.