

Board Meeting
March 6, 2014

ROLL CALL

INCREASE PROJECT BUDGET FOR RENOVATION, NATURAL HISTORY BUILDING, URBANA

Action: Increase Project Budget 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. 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. Subsequent to this approval, additional Owner and Professional Services Consultant costs have been identified. The costs include additional furniture, fixtures and equipment purchases, CITES data networking and media costs, display cases, expanded flexible learning spaces, chilled water fee adjustments, Art in Architecture program costs, and associated design fees, for a sum of \$3,435,091.

In order to proceed with the project, it is necessary to increase the project budget to cover these additional costs. With the additional funds, the project cost has been estimated at \$73,435,091 (including contingencies and escalation).

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 the increase in project budget for this project to \$73,435,091, an increase of \$3,435,091.

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.