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# UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

September 23, 2013



This special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois was held in Michèle M. Thompson Rooms B and C, UIC Student Center West, 828 South Wolcott Avenue, Chicago campus, Chicago, Illinois, on Monday, September 23, 2013, beginning at 8:04 a.m.

Chair Christopher G. Kennedy called the meeting to order and asked the secretary to call the roll. The following members of the Board were present: Mr. Ricardo Estrada, Mr. Patrick J. Fitzgerald, Ms. Karen Hasara, Ms. Patricia Brown Holmes, Mr. Christopher G. Kennedy, Dr. Timothy N. Koritz, Mr. James D. Montgomery, Ms. Pamela B. Strobel. Governor Pat Quinn and Mr. Edward L. McMillan were not present. The student trustees were not present. President Robert A. Easter was present.

Also present were the officers of the Board: Mr. Lester H. McKeever Jr., treasurer; Mr. Thomas R. Bearrows, University counsel; and Dr. Susan M. Kies, secretary. In addition, the following persons were also in attendance: Ms. C. Ellen Foran, assistant secretary, and Ms. Jo Menacher, staff to the secretary.

#### **AGENDA**

Mr. Kennedy announced that the agenda for this meeting would now be considered. All Board members recorded as present at the start of the meeting were in attendance. Mr. Kennedy noted that several Board members had

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Mr. Montgomery arrived at 8:17 a.m.

previously discussed concerns with President Easter and other staff members regarding this item, and he said that he would welcome further discussion at this time. Mr. Fitzgerald abstained from voting on the item because of a potential conflict of interest with procurement processes and his law firm.

(The record of the Board action appears at the end of the item.)

# Award Construction Contracts for Learning Center Space Renovation, College of Medicine at Chicago

(1) In March 2012, the Board approved this \$15.0 million project, which will provide a 21<sup>st</sup>-century contemporary learning space that provides efficient and reliable year-round comfort for the occupants. This project will include partial reconfiguration and renovation of the second, third, and fourth floors of the College of Medicine West Tower Building; updating the interior architecture and replacing finishes, furniture, and equipment; and improving lighting, audiovisual equipment and acoustics to support learning functions. Outdated building infrastructure systems (mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and fire protection) that have exceeded their expected lifespan serving the renovated area will also be upgraded or replaced.

Bids for the construction work have been solicited and for the project to proceed, the chancellor, University of Illinois at Chicago, and vice president, University of Illinois, with the concurrence of the appropriate administrative officers, recommends that the following contracts<sup>1</sup> be awarded. Competitive bidding procedures in accordance with the Illinois Procurement Code were followed; and the award is to the lowest responsible bidder on the basis of its base bid plus the acceptance of indicated alternates:<sup>2</sup>

Division 1 — General Work		
Joseph Construction Co.,	Base Bid	\$4,770,000
Lynwood, IL	Alternate 1	58,109
•	Alternate 4	603
	Alternate 5	7,475
	Alternate 8	2,475
	Alternate 10	621
	Alternate 11	621
	Alternate 12	621
	Alternate 14	(-672)
Total		\$4,839,853
Division 5—Electrical Work		
Airport Electric Co.,	Base Bid	\$2,789,400
Chicago, IL	Alternate 1	2,900
	Alternate 4	19,471
	Alternate 5	0
	Alternate 8	3,130
	Alternate 10	17,969
	Alternate 11	17,969
	Alternate 12	17,969
	Alternate 14	(-4,289)
Total		\$2,864,519

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Contracts for other divisions were awarded that are within the delegated approval levels: Division 2 (Plumbing)—A & H Plumbing, Elk Grove Village, IL, \$1,015,800; Division 3 (Heating)—Premier Mechanical, Inc., Matteson, IL, \$1,286,900; and Division 4 (Ventilation)—Mechanical Concepts of Illinois, Romeoville, IL, \$1,061,600.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Description of Alternates: Alternate 1—Glass walls in all classroom; Alternate 4—Power for auditorium chairs; Alternate 5—ADA ramp on fourth floor; Alternate 8—Refurbish cooling tower; Alternate 10—Video conferencing hardware in Auditorium; Alternate 11—Video conferencing hardware in Active Learning Room 429; Alternate 12—Video conferencing hardware in Active Learning Room 527; and Alternate 14—Eliminate room 523/ add room 519A.

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 Chicago campus.

The president of the University concurs.

A schedule of the bids received has been filed with the secretary of the Board for

(Construction is expected to begin in fall 2013 and is scheduled to be completed in August 1, 2014.)

On motion of Ms. Strobel, seconded by Ms. Hasara, this recommendation was approved by the following vote: Aye, Mr. Estrada, Ms. Hasara, Ms. Holmes, Mr. Kennedy, Dr. Koritz, Ms. Strobel; No, none; Absent, Governor Quinn, Mr. McMillan, Mr. Montgomery. (Mr. Fitzgerald asked to be recorded as not voting on this item.)

# MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:06 a.m., Mr. Kennedy stated: "A motion is now in order to hold an executive session to consider University employment or appointment-related matters."

On motion of Mr. Fitzgerald, seconded by Ms. Holmes, this motion was approved. There were no "nay" votes.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED**

The executive session adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

# **REGULAR MEETING RESUMED**

The meeting resumed at 12:49 p.m., with all Board members previously recorded as being present in attendance, with the exception of Mr. Fitzgerald and Ms. Strobel. <sup>1</sup>

# **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

At 12:50 p.m., Mr. Kennedy requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. On motion of Mr. Montgomery, seconded by Ms. Holmes, the meeting adjourned.

Susan M. Kies
Secretary

Christopher G. Kennedy Chair

 $<sup>^1\</sup>mathrm{Mr}.$  Fitzgerald and Ms. Strobel departed the meeting at 12:40 p.m.