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FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Thursday, September 28, 2006

The Facilities and Property Committee met on Thursday, September 28, 2006, at 9:25 a.m. in the Institute for Micromanufacturing Auditorium, Room 101 at Louisiana Tech University in Ruston, Louisiana. Chair Stanley Jacobs called the meeting to order. The roll was called and a quorum was established.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Rich Griswold

GUESTS PRESENT

Appendix A

FY 2007-2008 CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET RECOMMENDATION (PRELIMINARY)

Mr. Rich Griswold, Associate Commissioner for Facilities, presented the staff recommendation for the preliminary FY 2007-2008 Capital Outlay Budget Recommendation. He said that 192 projects had been requested by the management boards to be funded from state sources, and that after careful evaluation and campus visits, staff recommended 75 projects, not including 29 self generated projects. First year funding totals \$70,050,384 and total funding implication for the recommended projects totals \$1,453,438,714.

Staff outlined the cyclic nature of the annual capital outlay process. Staff reported that several projects recommended in prior years achieved full funding and therefore need not be recommended further. A characteristics of this year's process were (1) prices are up across the board, and (2) several projects fully funded in the past required supplemental funding to proceed in light of significantly increased construction costs in a post-hurricane environment. This year's request included cost estimate adjustments for continuing and new projects being repeated in the recommendation, and of course, completely new projects have been priced to reflect current realities.

Management boards' requests have been followed, and modified in light of the lines of credit issued by the Bond Commission on September 21, 2006. Storm recovery remains in a separate administrative category and therefore is not reflected in the recommendation.

The FY 2007-2008 Capital Outlay Budget Recommendation seems to reflect the fact that Louisiana is poised to move ahead, and adequate facilities is an important step in the growth and development of this state in a world economy. Over the past few years, more institutions are utilizing new sources of capital to enable them to do just that in spite of limited state resources. Numerous new projects were added to the recommendation, and projects that improve the

community college, technical community college, and technical college campuses were included.

Mr. Griswold highlighted several projects that could have been included but were not at this time with the idea that it is important for Committee members to see the projects that are recommended in the context of other projects.

It was understood that the recommendation is preliminary, that institutions and management boards are encouraged to provide continued input so that in October, a comprehensive and appropriate final recommendation can be adopted.

After discussion:

On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent Blake, the Facilities and Property Committee unanimously recommended that the Board of Regents approve the preliminary FY 2007-2008 Capital Outlay Budget Recommendation as presented by staff.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Griswold reported that the Louisiana State University System had been invited to report on the status of the Co-Generation project at LSU and A&M College, but that he had offered the option to report in October in deference to the fact that the September meeting was to be held in Ruston. LSU has indicated its willingness to report at the October meeting in Baton Rouge.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Facilities and Property Committee adjourned at 10:20 a.m.