Subject: Central Campus Recreation Building Replacement

Action Requested: Approval of Project and Authorization to Appoint an Architect

Background:

The Central Campus Recreation Building (CCRB) is comprised of several structures that were built between 1956 and 1978. With the approved projects to vacate CCRB, by relocating the School of Kinesiology into the Edward Henry Kraus Building and the Department of Dance to North Campus, we propose to replace the outdated CCRB with a new, approximately 200,000-gross-square-foot building for Recreational Sports (see attached map). The project will allow greater access and opportunity for students, faculty, and staff to improve their health and well-being. The proposed new facility will include modern gymnasiums, a track for jogging and walking, spaces for weight and cardiovascular training, group exercise rooms, aquatics, climbing areas, courts for squash and racquetball, locker rooms, and support and administration spaces. We examined the potential to reuse a portion of the existing building for the proposed activities and it is not feasible. The existing building consists of short, load-bearing spans with low ceiling heights and varying floor levels. Therefore, we propose to demolish the existing CCRB after it is vacant. Although there will be a temporary loss of some adjacent parking spaces during construction, there will be no permanent impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is $150,000,000. Funding will be provided by investment proceeds, gifts, and the Student Life Student Fee for Facility Renewal. The construction cash flow may be provided, all or in part, by bond proceeds or increasing the commercial paper issuance under the commercial paper program, secured by a pledge of General Revenues, and authorized by the Board of Regents. The architectural firm of Integrated Design Solutions, in association with the firm of RDG Planning and Design, will design the project. The project is expected to provide an average of 134 on-site construction jobs. Design is scheduled to begin immediately and we will return with a construction schedule when we seek approval of schematic design.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the Central Campus Recreation Building Replacement project as described and authorize commissioning Integrated Design Solutions in association with the firm of RDG Planning and Design for its design.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment