

**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**

**Planning and Resource Development**

**AGENDA ITEM: 5 – K**

**DATE: October 3-5, 2017**

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**SUBJECT: 2018 Proposed Legislation**

The universities and special schools were asked to submit their potential legislative items which are summarized in Attachment I. These items are being presented for Board review to confirm support. Action will be taken on the Board-sponsored legislation in December. You will find several of the facility items on the Board agenda in the form of preliminary facility statements or program plans.

The campuses were asked to identify specific fund sources for any legislation that involved facilities. In order for legislation to move forward according to Board policy, funds must be in-hand or guaranteed and available immediately. The universities were asked not to request legislation for facilities where the funds are not fully raised or available upon the passage of the legislation. We will request funding commitment letters for the December Board meeting before final approval of legislation.

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**INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

**South Dakota Board of Regents**  
**Campus Proposals to the Board for the October Board Meeting**

**Black Hills State University**

None.

**Dakota State University**

**1) Construction of MadLabs and Demolition of Lowry Hall**

DSU requests legislation to allow for the construction of the Madison Cyber Labs (MadLabs) building. This legislation would also authorize the demolition of Lowry Hall which is located on the southwest corner of the DSU campus and is the selected site for the new facility. In order to begin construction spring 2018, an emergency clause is included in the draft legislation. The estimated construction cost is \$18,000,596 and the demolition of Lowry Hall is estimated to cost \$150,000 funded with gifts donated, federal funds or any other fund sources authorized for this project.

**Northern State University**

**1) Construction of Turf Athletic and Recreation Fields**

NSU requests legislative approval for the construction of turf athletic and recreation fields. The preliminary facility statement was approved at the May Board meeting. Since the new science building will be built on the existing practice football field, NSU will need to build a new practice field for football. The space east of Jerde Hall currently includes both a soccer practice field and a soccer competition field. The soccer practice field will become the football practice field and the soccer competition field will become a turf field and used for both practice and competition. There will be a building between the fields for locker rooms, restrooms, concessions, storage, and team meetings. The building will be approximately 10,000 square feet. There will also be a separate small restroom added next to the existing tennis courts and potentially a storage garage. In addition, there are currently 12 tennis courts at the east end of this property. NSU plans to demolish 6 of the tennis courts to have enough space for the fields.

Private funding will be used for this project. A letter of commitment for the funding is not yet in place but will be prior to the December Board meeting.

**2) Pending - Demolish Apartment Building and Garages on South Side of Campus**

The second project that may be requested to be approved is to demolish an apartment building and garages located on the south side of campus. At some point in time, NSU will likely need to put a parking lot on that land. However, there are four apartments in the building and currently two of them are occupied by employees. NSU may hold off on this project for another year but wanted to mention it now in case the decision is made this fall that that parking is needed there within the next year.

**South Dakota School of Mines and Technology**

None.

**South Dakota State University****1) Purchase Unimproved Agriculture Real Estate near Sturgis**

The purchase of 110 acres of tillable property will replace research and demonstration land that had been rented near Wall, SD. This is still in the negotiation stage. The property is currently listed for \$500,000. Source of funds will be the proceeds from the Research Park payout received in FY2017.

**2) Purchase of Unimproved Agriculture Real Estate near Brookings**

This property has been rented by SDSU Experiment Station for many years. When the property came up for sale, to get the property into friendly hands, it was purchased by the SD Crop Improvement Association to partially replace the Research Park research capacity once the Research Park replacement funds were available.

Acres: 73.11

Legal description: W1/2SE1/4 Excluding W 484' of E2148' of Sec 4-110-50

Appraised value: \$665,000. Source of funds is the Research Park payout received in FY2017

**3) Precision Agriculture Classroom & Laboratory Building Project**

The project will include construction of a new classroom and laboratory building and the renovation of the first and second floors of Berg Agriculture Hall. SDSU requests that the project be included with other capital improvement projects to be submitted to the 2018 legislature. The project's estimated cost is \$55 million which would be funded as follows:

\$6.0 Million	Private funds from Corn Utilization Council
\$10.0 Million	Private funds being identified
\$7.5 Million	Building Authority Financing paid by SDSU's Research Infrastructure Improvement Fund
<u>\$31.5 Million</u>	State of South Dakota Funds from 2016 Ag Property Tax Rebates
\$55.0 Million	Total Funding

In addition, the Corn Utilization Council provided \$600,000 that is being used for facility design. A funding commitment letter will be required before the legislation is approved in December.

**4) American Indian Student Center**

This is a building to provide student services to support American Indian students attending SDSU funded by \$4,000,000 of private funds already committed. Additional one-time resources may come from the School and Public Lands annual revenue. A funding commitment letter will be required before the legislation is approved in December.

**5) Soccer Field**

Support facilities for the Soccer Complex which includes mechanical room, officials' locker room, storage, team rooms, restrooms and concession stand is estimated at \$600,000. Fund sources include \$300,000 from athletic and business enterprise revenues.

#### **6) Veterinary Medicine “2 plus 2” Program**

This program will provide veterinary medicine students the first two years of instruction for veterinary medicine at SDSU. The student would finish through a partnership with the University of Minnesota. Legislation is necessary to redirect funds from vet school slots to the SDSU program. SDSU will have to invest \$900,000 in one-time start-up funds to cover the cost of the program director and support for the years prior to SDSU's first students enrolling in courses.

#### **7) Pending - Campus Law Enforcement Authority**

SDSU is looking into the opportunity and appropriateness of designating the SDSU campus law enforcement as an independent law enforcement agency.

#### **8) Pending - West River Center Building Plans** — Development of plans to purchase or construct suitable property and sale of existing West River Research and Extension Center facility.

### **University of South Dakota**

#### **1) Dakota Dome Renovation**

One of the state's most recognizable, man-made landmarks, the Dakota Dome, has served as the cornerstone of Coyote athletics for decades. Originally constructed in 1979, the 10,000-seat facility was one of the first multi-purpose domes in the nation. Today, it serves as home for all Coyote athletic teams with the exception of men's and women's basketball and volleyball.

In addition to Coyote athletic teams and events, the Dakota Dome hosts many other events. The championship games of the state high school football playoffs take place annually inside the Dome. The annual high school All-Star Football game is played each summer inside the Dome. The DAKOTA Farm Show has called the Dome home for more than 30 years. The facility also hosts community youth events including camps, SD Junior football, high school track meets, and graduation ceremonies.

As is evident, the nearly 40 year-old building is in need of significant updating as well as mechanical and electrical replacement. Locker rooms and coaches' offices were among those identified as areas to address in a recent Title IX review. The University of South Dakota (USD) and USD Athletics are committed to gender equity and compliance with Title IX. USD appreciates the extensive review conducted by Good Sports, Inc. and the identification of opportunities to improve athletic programs. Among the opportunities to improve were locker rooms and coaching opportunities for softball, soccer, and tennis. Those programs are currently housed in the Dakota Dome. Renovation of the Dakota Dome to accommodate such improvements will require relocating the football locker rooms to the west side.

The funding for the Dakota Dome renovation project is from university capital funds, HEFF M&R, and private funds. Estimated total project costs for all program functions are estimated

at \$26,320,000 (FY2017 dollars). USD seeks authority to issue bonds for up to \$14,510,000 to be retired with university capital funds. The university capital funds will be reimbursed with private funding.

Funding for the project has been identified as follows:

- \$14,504,327 in private donations
- \$6,414,810 in USD capital funds
- \$5,400,398 in HEFF M&R (to address mechanical and electrical)

A funding commitment letter will be required before the legislation is approved in December.

## **2) Facilities Management Physical Plant Building – Replacement Construction**

Results of a Board of Regents Space Quality and Building Condition Analysis revealed that 5 of the USD facilities buildings were among those in the worst condition in the system. Furthermore, inefficiencies are created by housing facilities staff in these 5 separate buildings. Consolidating the program in one location will allow the programs to vacate the multiple antiquated facilities. A new Facilities Management facility will provide appropriate quantity and quality of space to support the maintenance and repair operations of the university, while providing a safe work environment for employees, especially for those working around equipment. Presently, large equipment is left outside to deteriorate in the elements. USD seeks legislation to construct a new facilities maintenance building to replace the 5 buildings in significant disrepair. Estimated total project costs for all program functions are estimated at \$7,500,000 (FY2017 dollars). USD requests the issuance of bonds to be retired with HEFF maintenance and repair funds

## **3) Pending - National Music Museum (NMM) Addition and Renovation**

Founded in 1973, the National Music Museum and Center for Study of the History of Musical Instruments is one of the great institutions of its kind in the world. Its renowned collections, which include more than 14,800 American, European and non-Western instruments from virtually all cultures and historical periods, are the most inclusive anywhere.

With 1,200 musical instruments on public display, and more than 15,000 (representing virtually all cultures and historical periods) in the overall holdings, the NMM's collections are among the best anywhere.

The National Music Museum addition dramatically improves exhibit, public lobby, performance, meeting and education spaces. Staff operations, collections storage space, and exhibit spaces in the original building will be renovated, and spaces which now house public amenities will be re-configured for exhibits. Additionally, the HVAC system is in significant need of upgrading to protect the integrity of the collection. Funding for the project would be private donations and HEFF maintenance and repair funds.

Estimated total project costs for all program functions are estimated at \$9,290,000 (FY2017 dollars).

A funding commitment letter will be required before the legislation is approved in December.

## **South Dakota School for the Blind and Visually Impaired**

### **1) New School for SDSBVI**

The current School for the Blind and Visually Impaired campus was built in 1960 and no longer meets the school's needs. With the evolution of technology and teaching methods, the 55 year-old building would need major renovations. Therefore, SDBVI requests legislative approval to design and build a facility that better meets the needs of the students served. The facility will be located on the current site of Jerde Hall on the Northern State University campus. The project will involve the swapping of the SDSBVI land with the NSU land. The estimated cost of this project is \$13,600,000. Funding of this project will be through private funds. A funding commitment letter will be required before the submission of legislation.