

**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**

**Budget and Finance**  
**Consent**

**AGENDA ITEM: 4 – R**  
**DATE: March 30-31, 2021**

\*\*\*\*\*

**SUBJECT**

**NSU Regional Sports Complex Request to Expend Additional Capital Campaign Funds**

**CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY**

[BOR Policy 6:4](#) – Capital Improvements

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION**

The NSU Regional Sports Complex is the third and final project funded through the NSU Educational Impact Campaign (EIC). The other projects funded through the EIC were the NSU Athletic and Recreation Fields and the South Dakota School for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

The Facility Program Plan (FPP) for the NSU Regional Sports Complex was approved by the Board of Regents in December of 2018. The estimated cost of the project presented at that time was \$33M.

Upon approval by the Board of Regents, the project was submitted to the legislature for consideration during the 2019 Legislative Session. HB1037 was approved by the legislature and signed by Governor Noem on February 8, 2019. The bill approved the \$33M project and authorized the cost of construction not to exceed 125% of the estimated project cost (\$41,250,000).

The Facility Design Plan was approved by the Board of Regents in June of 2019 at an estimated cost of \$33M. The Construction Manager at Risk method of construction was selected for this project. On September 30, 2019, the Building Committee approved the GMP of \$33M. The GMP document approved by the Building Committee included a list of alternates to be added to the project if funds became available.

Due to generous donor support, the EIC has generated gifts beyond the initial campaign goal. These gifts have made it possible for alternates to be added to the project, enhancing

(Continued)

\*\*\*\*\*

**DRAFT MOTION 20210330\_4-R:**

I move to authorize NSU to expend additional capital campaign funds up to a maximum of \$41,250,000 for the completion of the NSU Regional Sports Complex.

the overall functionality of the entire complex and increasing the total project cost beyond \$33M. Alternates include building out and finishing areas in the Barnett Center addition and various levels of the stadium, additional bleacher seating, two elevators, a storm retention system and parking lot by the softball stadium, a drive lane to improve traffic flow throughout the complex, a walkway to connect the stadium to the Barnett Center, as well as landscaping, irrigation, and additional sidewalks.

#### **IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

NSU requests approval from the Board of Regents to expend up to \$41,250,000 on the Regional Sports Complex, as was authorized by the legislature in 2019 with HB1037. The total estimated project cost, including all alternates, is just under \$40 million. EIC funds are available to fund the full cost of the project. At this point in time, NSU does not anticipate having the need for the entire \$41,250,000, but the authorization for that level of funding would provide consistency between the Board of Regents approval and the allowable project costs approved by the SD Legislature.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

None