SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Committee on Budget and Finance

AGENDA ITEM: III – E

DATE: April 2-3, 2014

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SUBJECT: SDSM&T Surbeck Center Addition – Preliminary Facility Statement

South Dakota School of Mines & Technology requests approval of their Preliminary Facility Statement to construct an addition to the Surbeck Center. Approval of this item will allow SDSM&T to develop their Facility Program Plan that will outline more definitive design and funding details for this project.

The Surbeck Center was constructed in 1961 with an addition added to the west side of the building in 1971. This area currently houses the book store and health services plus an expansion of the ballroom. In 2004, the south side of the Surbeck Center was renovated along with the construction of Peterson Residence Hall. A passenger elevator was installed to provide service to both of these buildings. Also, this renovation recreated student study and lounge spaces and portable walls were installed in the ballroom. In 2009, a major renovation was also done on the kitchen, dining service area. The bowling alley was replaced by the Student Activities and Student Association Office, Ivanhoe International Center and Multicultural Affairs. The Veteran’s Resource Center was created by reallocating space during the 2009 renovation. No additional space has been added to the Surbeck Center since the 1971 addition.

The proposed addition was part of the SDSM&T Master Plan brought to the Board at their October 2011 meeting. Since that time, SDSM&T has studied the various needs of their campus and determined that the following project components be considered:

• Additional dining space to accommodate at least 360 additional seats
• Additional freezer/cooler space and additional storage space for dining
• Additional meeting space to accommodate larger campus event such as Career Fair, Mines family events, cultural events and new student orientation

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RECOMMENDED ACTION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Approve SDSM&T’s Preliminary Facility Statement to construct a proposed addition to the Surbeck Center. Approval of this phase allows for further planning, but does not give approval of the expansion. Approval of this project will allow SDSM&T to develop their Facility Program Plan for the Board. Proposed funding for this project will come from private fundraising. If approved, the Board President should assign a Building Committee representative to oversee the project’s development.
• Area created to accommodate larger campus events that may contain movable walls that allow smaller groups to also meet when large gatherings are not scheduled
• Additional storage space
• Increase the size of the Veteran’s Resource Center to accommodate 100 students

This addition is proposed along the west/northwest and northeast side of the Surbeck center as shown in the Location section of the attached SDSM&T Preliminary Facility Statement. Other details and project information can be found in this document also.

Funding for this project will be primarily from private fundraising. Additional funding details will be brought forward in the SDSM&T Facility Program Plan for this project. If approved, the Board President should assign a Building Committee representative to this project to oversee project development.
**SDSM&T**

**Preliminary Facilities Statement**

**Surbeck Center Addition**

**General programmatic needs to be addressed**

Our general programmatic goal is to support the academic mission of the university by providing facilities, which are efficient to operate and which meet the needs of our campus community.

The Surbeck Student Center, started in 1961, provides space for the Student Activities and Leadership Center, the Career Planning & Professional Development Center, Dining Services, student organizations and government, Alumni Office, Dean of Students Office, Residence Life, the Scheduling Office, Student Accounts and Cashiering Services, Health Services, Counseling Services, Grubby’s Game Room, Office of Multi-Cultural Affairs, Ivanhoe International Center, the Veteran’s Resource Center and the Bookstore. Surbeck provides meeting spaces for groups ranging in size from two to four hundred.

When the Surbeck Center was built in 1961, the enrollment was 989 students. Currently we have 2,640 students enrolled at SDSM&T. Large campus events have already outgrown the space in Surbeck Center and with the goal of 3,500 students by 2020, Surbeck Center will not be able to accommodate most of SDSM&T’s important large events. Below are examples of events, current capacity and current shortage.

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<th>Event</th>
<th>Current Surbeck Center Capacity</th>
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<tr>
<td>Fall Career Fair</td>
<td>85 Booths</td>
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<td>Spring Career Fair</td>
<td>85 Booths</td>
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<td>Diwali</td>
<td>300 – Banquet Style</td>
<td>100 Seats</td>
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<td>Go To Mines</td>
<td>400</td>
<td>Inadequate space for Academic Fair</td>
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<td>Orientation</td>
<td>400</td>
<td>1,100 Seats</td>
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<td>Welcome Week Events</td>
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<td>50 – 150 Seats</td>
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<td>Graduation</td>
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<td>100’s (held off campus due to shortage)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cultural Expo</td>
<td>300 - Banquet and Booths</td>
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The Surbeck Center is continuing to experience a significant increase in the number and the size of campus events. This past year, events hosted in the Surbeck Center increased from 4,939 events to 5,635 (14%). Room availability for this current year is at or near capacity; during high usage times, all seats are full in the common area spaces where students study and socialize. Dining space—both in seating and food storage, has not been adequate for some time. The Veteran’s Resource Center has significantly outgrown its footprint. Storage in general is not sufficient.
Analysis of the student body or constituents to be served
The Surbeck Student Center serves all students, faculty, and staff of SDSM&T. Additionally, numerous community constituents use the facility for meetings and activities. SDSM&T allows groups to rent space at Surbeck Center for events related to the university’s mission.

Additional services to be offered
The following project components are being considered.

- Additional dining space to accommodate at least 360 more seats
- Additional freezer/cooler space and additional storage space for dining
- Additional meeting spaces that would allow us to accommodate larger campus events including more companies for the Career Fair, more families coming to Go to Mines, cultural events, and orientations on campus.
- Area created to accommodate larger campus events might contain movable walls to accommodate smaller group needs when not needed for large gatherings
- Additional storage space
- Increase the size of the Veteran’s Resource Center to accommodate 100 students

Compliance with the master plan
The building addition is in compliance with the campus master plan. The plan shows potential growth areas on the west, north and east sides of the Surbeck Center. As a preliminary concept, we would likely make this addition to the east side of Surbeck, a matter that would be addressed in this preliminary design phase. (See map in Location section.)

Analysis of needs assessment based on the facilities utilization report
The Surbeck Center was constructed in 1961. In 1971 an addition to the west side of the building was added that currently houses the university bookstore and health services; there was also an expansion to the ballroom at that time. The south side of SDSM&T’s student union was renovated in 2004; this occurred at the same time as the construction of the attached Peterson Residence Hall. A passenger elevator was installed to provide service to both buildings. The 2004 Surbeck renovation recreated student study and lounge spaces and portable walls in the existing ballroom. A major renovation of the kitchen, dining services, elimination of the bowling alley which was replaced by Student Activities including the Student Association Office, Ivanhoe International Center and Multicultural Affairs, and the north side of Surbeck Center was done in 2009. In 2009 space was reallocated for the Veteran’s Resource Center and expanded in 2011. Even though there have been two major renovations in the 2000’s, no additional space has been added since 1971. Recent studies completed during the development of the Campus Master plan indicate our need for additional conference, meeting room, storage and food service spaces.

- Conference room space deficit of 4,183 square feet
- Assembly space deficit of 15,904 square feet
- Food service space deficit of 9,997 square feet
- Storage space needs
Additionally, the demands on the Veteran’s Resource Center have outgrown space allocations.

**Location**

This facility will be connected to the existing Surbeck Center to optimize staffing and convenience. The proposed location will be in accordance with the campus master plan. The diagram is taken from the October 2011 Campus Master Plan. The yellow building is the existing Surbeck Center with Peterson Residence hall attached to the south. The blue areas were proposed concepts for expansion and are illustrative. The planning process will determine where the addition to Surbeck makes most sense from a facility use and cost perspective.

**Reallocation of old space, if any;**

As designs develop, reassignment of existing space will be considered to maximize the functionality of the building.

**Proposed funding source/sources**

The primary funding source would be through private fundraising. Approval of the Preliminary Facility Statement is requested so that schematics can be done in order to present to potential donors.

**Budget for development of a Facility Program Plan**

Funds for the development of the Facility Program Plan have been budgeted in the auxiliary revenues.