

#### September 14, 2015

**MEMORANDUM TO:** 

**Board of Trustees** 

SUBJECT:

September 25, 2015 Board of Trustees Meeting

Enclosed are materials that comprise the proposed agenda for the September 25, 2015 meeting of the Board of Trustees in Auburn. Listed below is the tentative schedule; times and locations that are subject to adjustment, depending on length of individual meetings.

<u>Friday, September 25, 2015 (Ballroom B, AU Hotel)</u>

9:00 a.m. Agriculture, AUM and Property and Facilities Committees

10:00 a.m. Academic Affairs, AUM, and Finance Committees

10:45 a.m. Executive Committee

11:00 a.m. Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees (Ballroom B, AU Hotel)

(Proposed Executive Session – Meeting Room A, AU Hotel)

11:30 a.m. Reconvene Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees (Ballroom B)

12:00 noon Luncheon (Ballroom A, Right)

We appreciate all that you do for Auburn University and look forward to seeing you on Friday, September 25, 2015. Please call me, if you have questions regarding the agenda. Also, please let Grant Davis, Sherri Williams, or me know if you need assistance with travel and/or lodging arrangements.

Sincerely,

Jay Gogue President

JG/smw

Enclosure

c: President's Cabinet (w/encl.)
Mr. Grant Davis (w/encl.)

# DRAFT SCHEDULE & AGENDA AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES SEPTEMBER 25, 2015 AUBURN UNIVERSITY

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2015

- I. Committee Meetings (Ballroom B, AU Hotel)
   \*\*Committee Meetings will begin at 9:00 a.m. - all other meetings are subject to change in starting time, depending upon the length of individual meetings.
  - A. Combined Agriculture, AUM and Property and Facilities Committees/Chairpersons Sanford, Sahlie and Harbert/9:00 a.m.
    - Proposed Five-Year Forest Management Plan for the Alabama Agricultural Experiment
       Station (Dan King/Art Appel) (Combined Agriculture and Property and Facilities)
    - 2. <u>Proposed Five-Year Forest Management Plan for the Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration</u>
      <u>Forest</u> (Dan King/Janaki Alavalapati) (Combined Agriculture and Property and Facilities)
    - 3. <u>Proposed Five-Year Timber Harvest Schedule for the Solon Dixon Forestry Education</u>
      <u>Center</u> (Dan King/Janaki Alavalapati) (Combined Agriculture and Property and Facilities)
    - 4. <u>Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center, Approval of Office Annex Lease</u>
      (Dan King/Janaki Alavalapati/Mark Stirling) (Combined Agriculture and Property and Facilities)
    - 5. Real Estate Acquisition, Dr. and Mrs. Cecil Herman Prescott Property (Dan King/John Veres) (AUM and Property and Facilities)
    - 6. <u>Auburn Montgomery Admissions and Alumni Center, Approval of Project Initiation and Authorization to Commence the Project Architect Selection Process</u> (Dan King/John Veres) (AUM and Property and Facilities)
    - 7. <u>Mell Street, West Samford Avenue, and Thach Avenue Traffic and Parking Improvements, Approval of Project Initiation and Authorization to Commence the Project Architect and Construction Manager Selection Processes</u> (Dan King) (Property and Facilities)
    - 8. Risk Management and Safety Building, Approval of Project Initiation and Authorization to Commence the Project Architect Selection Process
      (Dan King) (Property and Facilities)
    - 9. <u>Auxiliary Services Building, Approval of Project Initiation and Authorization to Commence the Project Architect Selection Process</u> (Dan King/Bob Ritenbaugh) (Property and Facilities)

- 10. <u>Health Science Sector Infrastructure, Approval of Project Initiation and Selection of the</u>
  Project Engineer (Dan King) (Property and Facilities)
- 11. Offsite Library Archiving Facility, Approval of Project, Project Program, Site, Budget and Funding Plan (Dan King/Bonnie MacEwan) (Property and Facilities)
- 12. <u>Leach Science Center Addition, Approval of Project Initiation and Architect and Construction Manager Selections</u> (Dan King/Nicholas Giordano) (Property and Facilities)
- 13. <u>Engineering Achievement Center, Approval of Project Architect and Construction</u>
  <u>Manager Selections</u> (Dan King/Chris Roberts) (Property and Facilities Committee)
- 14. <u>Campus Utility System Expansion, Approval of Utility System Engineer Selection</u> (Dan King) (Property and Facilities)
- 15. <u>Food Animal Research Facility, Approval of Project Program, Site, Budget and Funding</u> Plan and Schematic Design (Dan King/Calvin Johnson) (Property and Facilities)
- 16. <u>Cater Hall Repairs and Renovation-Phase II, Approval of Project Program, Site, Budget, Funding Plan and Schematic Design for Phase II</u> (Dan King/Tim Boosinger) Property and Facilities)
- 17. <u>Approval of Sigma Phi Epsilon Revised Lease Agreement</u> (Dan King/Mark Stirling) (Property and Facilities)
- 18. <u>Poultry Research Farm Unit Relocation to North Auburn</u> (For Information Only) (Dan King/Art Appel)
- 19. <u>Status Updates:</u> For Information Only
  - a. <u>Current Status of New Construction/Renovation/Infrastructure Projects with</u>
    Budgets of \$1,000,000 and Greater
  - b. Quarterly Report for Projects Costing More than \$500,000 but
    Less than \$1,000,000 3<sup>rd</sup> QTR Fiscal Year 2015
  - c. Project Status Report
- B. Combined Academic Affairs, AUM, and Finance Committees/Chairpersons Huntley, Sahlie, and Harbert/10:00 a.m.
  - 1. <u>2015-2016 Budget</u> (Don Large) (Finance Committee)
  - 2. <u>Proposed Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics</u> (Tim Boosinger/Bill Hardgrave) (Academic Affairs)

- 3. <u>Proposed Changes in Federal Classification Codes for Graduate Programs in Biomedical Sciences in the College of Veterinary Medicine</u> (Tim Boosinger/Calvin Johnson) (Academic Affairs)
- 4. <u>Proposed Undergraduate Certificate Program in Museum Studies at Auburn University at Montgomery</u> (John Veres/Joe King) (Academic Affairs and AUM)
- 5. <u>Proposed Option in Art History in the Bachelor of Arts in Visual Arts Degree at Auburn University at Montgomery</u> (John Veres/Joe King) (Academic Affairs and AUM)
- C. Executive Committee/Chairperson Lanier/10:45 a.m.
  - 1. <u>Posthumous Awarding of the Doctor of Philosophy Degree for Michael Elliott Kern</u> (Timothy Boosinger)
  - 2. Presidential Assessment (Gaines Lanier)
  - 3. Proposed Awards and Namings (Gaines Lanier)
- II. REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES/11:00 A.M. (Ballroom B, AU Hotel)
  - A. Proposed Executive Session (Meeting Room A, AU Hotel)
- III. RECONVENED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES/11:30 A.M. (Ballroom B) (Agenda items are determined primarily based upon committee actions.)

12:00 Noon - LUNCHEON (Ballroom A, Right)

#### RESOLUTION

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

WHEREAS, copies of the minutes of the Reconvened Meeting on Friday, June 5, 2015 have been distributed to all members of this Board for review.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that the minutes of its Friday, June 5, 2015 meeting is hereby approved as distributed.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARIES SEPTEMBER 25, 2015

#### A. Combined Committees/Agriculture, AUM and Property and Facilities

#### 1. Five Year Timber Management Plan—Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station

The Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station owns and manages approximately 9,200 acres of forest land in 23 research units, and the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences has been delegated management authority of this land. The School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences has prepared a five-year forest management plan entitled, Management Planning for Forest Land on the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station, 2015-2020, which identifies a schedule for maintenance, harvest and reforestation for the period, 2015-2020. The request before the Board is to approve the Five Year Forest Management Plan for the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station.

#### 2. Five Year Timber Management Plan—Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest

The Alabama Cooperative Extension System owns and manages the approximately 400 acres of forest land known as the Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest, and the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences has been delegated management authority of this land. The School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences has prepared a five-year forest management plan entitled, Management Planning for the Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest, 2015-2020, which identifies a schedule for maintenance, harvest and reforestation for the period, 2015-2020. The request before the Board is to approve the Five Year Forest Management Plan for the Mary Olive Thomas Forest.

#### 3. Five Year Forest Management Plan—Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center

Auburn University owns and manages the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center (SDFEC) consisting of approximately 5,530 acres located in Escambia and Covington Counties, Alabama. Consistent with standing practice, the SDFEC produced a timber harvest schedule for 2015-2019 as part of an annual report. The request before the Board is to approve the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center, Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2014. The request before the Board is to approve the Five Year Forest Management Plan for the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center.

#### 4. Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center Lease Agreement

The School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences proposes that approximately 1,500 square feet of the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center (SDFEC) Annex Building be leased to Longleaf Alliance, Inc. The non-profit advocacy group focuses on the restoration of longleaf pine ecosystems and intends to utilize the lease for instructional and counseling purposes designed to enhance operation of the institution. The lease agreement is for a ten-year lease term and will generate an annual revenue of \$6,300. Revenue generated from the lease will be deposited into the SDFEC management and operating fund. The

request before the Board is to approve the lease of space to the Longleaf Alliance, Inc., at the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center.

#### 5. <u>Dr. and Mrs. Cecil Herman Prescott Property—Real Estate Acquisition</u>

It is proposed that Auburn University at Montgomery purchase a parcel of land located at 1165 Bell Road, consisting of a 3,259 square foot residential home with four bedrooms, three and a half baths, a swimming pool and approximately six acres of land. This property adjoins University owned property, and by relocating the Early Childhood Development Center to this property, its purchase would allow Auburn Montgomery to repurpose academic building space in the core of campus. The purchase price of the property is four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000). The request before the Board is to approve the purchase of this property.

### 6. <u>Auburn Montgomery Admissions and Alumni Center, Approval of Project</u> <u>Initiation and Authorization to Commence the Project Architect Selection Process</u>

Auburn University at Montgomery desires to reduce the amount of University leased space and increase on-campus administrative space by building an Admissions and Alumni Center. This new facility would allow for the termination of approximately \$310,000 in annual leasing expenditures incurred by the Office of Advancement and Alumni Affairs, Outreach, Institutional Effectiveness and portions of Enrollment processing. These lease savings would offset expected bond payments and create long-term savings for the University. The anticipated cost of the project is approximately \$5,000,000. This building would be an easily accessible and inviting "welcome center" for prospective students, alumni, and campus visitors. Additionally, it will house administrative offices such as Admissions and Enrollment Management, the Office of Advancement and Alumni Affairs, Outreach, and Campus Police. The resolution requests approval of project initiation and authorization to commence the selection process for a project architect.

# 7. Mell Street, West Samford Avenue, and Thach Avenue Traffic and Parking Improvements: Approval of Project Initiation and Authorization to Commence the Project Architect and Construction Manager Selection Processes

Facilities Management proposes a project to improve the traffic flow of Mell Street, West Samford Avenue, and Thach Avenue as well as the parking layout and capacity near Samford Hall. The proposed project would:

- Improve the Mell Street and West Samford Avenue Intersection
- Realign parking adjacent to Ross Square
- Increase parking near Mary Martin Hall
- Increase traffic control on Thach Avenue

The request before the Board is to approve project initiation and authorize the commencement of the project architect and construction manager selection processes.

### 8. Risk Management and Safety Facility: Approval of Project Initiation and Authorization to Commence the Architect Selection Process

Facilities Management proposes a project to construct a new building for Risk Management and Safety (RMS) at the Facilities Management Complex. The proposed project would relocate and consolidate RMS staff from Leach Science Center and is consistent with the Campus Master Plan strategy to relocate service functions from the core of campus. The request before the Board is to approve project initiation and to authorize the commencement of the project architect selection process.

### 9. <u>Auxiliary Services Maintenance Building: Approval of Project Initiation and</u> Authorization to Commence the Architect Selection Process

Auxiliary Services proposes a project to construct a new building at the Facilities Management Complex on West Samford Avenue. This project would relocate staff and maintenance operations from the current location on the corner of Hemlock Drive and Thach Avenue. The new facility would also provide additional storage space for Auxiliary Services material currently stored in the Food Services Warehouse. The request before the Board is to approve project initiation and authorization to commence the architect selection process.

### 10. <u>Health Science Sector Infrastructure: Approval of Project Initiation and Selection</u> of Project Engineer

Facilities Management proposes a project to provide the necessary utility infrastructure to the Health Science Sector at the corner of South Donahue Drive and Lem Morrison Drive. The proposed infrastructure project would deliver water, electric power, chilled water/hot water, sewer, and information/communication technologies to the new School of Nursing and Pharmaceutical Research buildings. The request before the Board is to approve the project and the selection of the LBYD Inc., of Birmingham, Alabama, as the project engineer.

### 11. Offsite Library Archiving Facility: Approval of Project, Project Program, Site, Budget, and Funding Plan

The Provost proposes to construct a facility to archive low utilization library materials at a site off-campus. The project will enable the Ralph Brown Draughon (RBD) Library to relocate library materials displaced by the additional classrooms to be built in the RBD Library as part of the Mell Classroom Building project. The project consists of a 16,000 square foot, commercial grade warehouse facility on University property located at Skyway Drive in Auburn, Alabama. The project is estimated to cost \$1.9 million, to be funded by University unrestricted funds. The request before the Board is to establish the Offsite Library Archiving Facility project budget at \$1.95 million, to be financed by University unrestricted funds.

### 12. <u>Leach Science Center Addition: Approval of Project Initiation and Selection of Project Architect</u>

A project is proposed to construct an addition to the Leach Science Center located on Duncan Drive. The addition to the science center will facilitate the demolition of Parker and Allison Halls, relocate and consolidate the Physics Department and faculty, and enable site preparation for construction of the Academic Classroom and Laboratory Complex. The request before the Board is to approve the Leach Science Center Addition project, to authorize Perkins+Will, of Atlanta, Georgia, as the architect of record, and to authorize Brasfield & Gorrie, of Birmingham, Alabama, as the construction manager for this project.

### 13. Engineering Achievement Center: Approval of Project Architect and Construction Manager Selections

During its meeting of June 5, 2015, the Board of Trustees approved the initiation of the Engineering Achievement Center project, and authorized the commencement of the architect and construction manager selection processes. After conducting interviews with candidate firms, the University Architect has determined SmithGroupJJR, of Washington, D.C, was best qualified to provide architectural services on this project. After conducting interviews with candidate firms, the Executive Director of Design & Construction has determined Brasfield & Gorrie, LLC, of Birmingham, Alabama, was best qualified to provide construction manager services on this project. The request before the Board of Trustees is to approve the project architect and construction manager selections.

#### 14. Campus Utility System Expansion: Approval of Utility System Engineer Selection

At its meeting held on June 5, 2015, the Board of Trustees approved the initiation of the Campus Utility System Expansion project. After conducting interviews with candidate firms, the University Engineer determined the firm, Affiliated Engineers, of Chapel Hill, North Carolina with LBYD, Inc., of Birmingham, Alabama, was best qualified to provide utility system engineering services on this project. The request before the Board of Trustees is to approve the utility systems engineer selection.

### 15. <u>Food Animal Research Facility: Approval of Project Program, Site, Budget, Funding Plan, and Schematic Design</u>

The proposed 8,810 gross-square-foot (gsf) food animal research facility will provide state-of-the-art capabilities for research related to large food animals, particularly cattle and sheep, in support of the College's mission in research and clinical education. The request before the Board is to establish the project budget at \$3.4 million, to be financed by College of Veterinary Medicine professional fees, research revenues, and gift funds.

### 16. <u>Cater Hall Repairs and Renovation Phase II: Approval of Project Program, Site, Budget, Funding Plan, and Schematic Design</u>

The Cater Hall Repairs and Renovation Phase I project was approved to repair the foundation, and to replace siding, windows, electrical and mechanical system. The proposed Phase II scope will improve space utilization, replace interior architectural finishes, and repair the heating, ventilation, and cooling system. The request before the

Board is to establish the Cater Hall Repairs and Renovation Phase II project budget at \$1.95 million, to be financed by Provost and Repair and Renovations funds.

#### 17. Poultry Research Farm Unit Relocation to North Auburn (for information only)

The College of Agriculture proposes to undertake a long range project to relocate the Poultry Research Farm Unit to the North Auburn Campus. The complex is currently located in the Auburn Research Park at the southern area of the University's main campus, and consists of over 20 bans, processing facilities, and administrative buildings. It is anticipated that phase I of the relocation project to begin in 2016 with the construction of two poultry houses and National Poultry Center building. The relocation of the poultry research facilities is supported by the Campus Master Plan and will facilitate future growth of the Auburn Research Park.

#### 18. Sigma Phi Epsilon Lease Agreement

The Alabama Alpha Chapter of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity resides at 926 West Magnolia Avenue, Auburn, Alabama. Sigma Phi Epsilon is requesting a modification to their existing lease in order to finance the renovation of the exterior façade and to perform necessary maintenance to existing fraternity house on the property. Sigma Phi Epsilon currently has a mortgage cap of \$750,000.00. The request before the Board is to approve a 49 year lease renewal, and to increase the mortgage cap from \$750,000 to \$1,000,000.

#### **19.** Status Updates: For Information Only

- a. Current Status of New Construction/Renovation/Infrastructure Projects with Budgets of \$1,000,000 and Greater
- b. Quarterly Report for Projects Costing More than \$500,000 but Less than \$1,000,000 3<sup>rd</sup> QTR Fiscal Year 2015
- c. Project Status Report

#### B. Combined Committees/Academic Affairs, AUM and Finance

#### 1. <u>2015-2016 Budget</u>

Time will be allocated for discussion of the 2015-2016 Budget.

#### 2. Proposed Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics

The Department Aviation and Supply Chain Management is proposing a 12-hour certificate to provide graduate-level coursework for professionals from various industries, diverse areas of business, and academic backgrounds who are interested in advancing their knowledge of and application of analytics in the business environment. The certificate will emphasize predictive modeling and strategies for enhancing data-driven decisions through descriptive, diagnostic, predictive, and prescriptive approaches. The program will utilize existing on-campus and distance education courses available in the

Masters of Science in Information Systems Management program, and will not require any additional faculty or space. The College anticipates its annual enrollment in the Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics to be approximately 15-20 students annually. If approved, the certificate would become the 34th graduate certificate approved by the Board of Trustees.

### 3. <u>Proposed Changes in Federal Classification Codes for Graduate Programs in</u> Biomedical Sciences in the College of Veterinary Medicine

The College of Veterinary Medicine is proposing the reclassification of its graduate programs in Biomedical Sciences in the Federal Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP). The current classification is primarily veterinary in focus and does not reflect the breadth of biomedical disciplines encompassed. The current CIP also makes international graduate students in these programs ineligible to apply for visas reserved for those entering fields in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM-approved fields). The College proposes the program be transitioned from the Veterinary Sciences/Veterinary Clinical Sciences, General code to the Biomedical Sciences, General code.

### 4. Proposed Undergraduate Certificate Program in Museum Studies at Auburn University at Montgomery

Auburn University at Montgomery is committed to increasing opportunities for students. We therefore submit a proposed undergraduate certificate in Museum Studies. The program (17-19 hours) will help students in programs such as art, history, and anthropology gain a credential that will help prepare them for employment in museums. AUM currently offers all the courses in the program. Offering the certificate would not require additional resources. This certificate proposal has the endorsement of the Committee for the Certificate Program in Museum Studies, the Department of Fine Arts, the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, the Dean of the College of Public Policy and Justice, the University Curriculum Committee, the Provost and the Chancellor. It is requested that the Board consider a resolution to approve the proposed certificate program in Museum Studies in the College of Arts and Sciences at Auburn University at Montgomery.

### 5. <u>Proposed Option in Art History in the Bachelor of Arts in Visual Arts Degree at Auburn University at Montgomery</u>

AUM seeks to provide students the opportunity for sustained study of art history in the Bachelor of Arts in Visual Arts. This option would include 24 hours of study in art history courses. The option will require no additional faculty lines or other resources. AUM's library has resources adequate to support the program. The proposal has been endorsed by a faculty committee in the Departments of Fine Arts, the Head of the

Department of Fine Arts, the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, the AUM Curriculum Committee, the Provost and the Chancellor. It is requested that the Board consider a resolution to approve the proposed Art History option in the Bachelor of Arts in Visual Arts.

#### C. Executive Committee

### 1. <u>Proposed Posthumous Awarding Of The Doctor Of Philosophy Degree In History For</u> Michael Elliott Kern

The College of Liberal Arts has proposed the posthumous awarding of the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in History to Mr. Michael Elliott Kern. Mr. Kern passed away in June 2015 while completing the requirements necessary for his Ph.D. in History. Following a careful review of his academic records, the faculty in the College all concur that Mr. Kern meets the academic requirements necessary to be awarded the degree posthumously.

#### 2. Presidential Assessment

Time will be allocated for discussion of the President's Assessment.

#### 3. Proposed Awards and Namings

Time will be allocated for discussion of proposed awards and namings.

#### AGRICULTURE/PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION

#### PROPOSED FIVE YEAR FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE ALABAMA AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION

WHEREAS, the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station owns and manages approximately 9,200 acres of forest land in 23 research units; and

WHEREAS, the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences has been delegated management authority; and

WHEREAS, the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences has prepared a five-year forest management plan entitled, <u>Management Planning for Forest Land on the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station</u>, 2015-2020, that identifies a schedule for maintenance, harvest and reforestation for the period, 2015-2020; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the <u>Management Planning for Forest Land on the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station</u>, 2015-2020 is approved and that G. Jay Gogue, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to implement said plan, including the harvesting of timber in areas identified in the plan -- such sales to be conducted in accordance with the bid laws of the State of Alabama.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the funds generated from the sale of timber be used for forest regeneration, management and use, and support of research programs on the Alabama Agricultural Experimental Station.

#### AGRICULTURE/PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION

### PROPOSED FIVE YEAR FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE MARY OLIVE THOMAS DEMONSTRATION FOREST

WHEREAS, the Alabama Cooperative Extension System owns and manages the approximately 400 acres of forest land known as the Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest; and

WHEREAS, the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences has been delegated management authority; and

WHEREAS, the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences has prepared a five-year forest management plan entitled, <u>Management Planning for the Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest</u>, 2015-2020, that identifies a schedule for maintenance, harvest and reforestation for the period, 2015-2020; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Management Planning for Forest Land on the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station, 2015-2020 is approved and that G. Jay Gogue, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to implement said plan, including the harvesting of timber in areas identified in the plan, with such sales to be conducted in accordance with the bid laws of the State of Alabama.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the funds generated from the sale of timber be used for forest regeneration, management and use, and support of demonstration programs on the Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest.



#### SCHOOL OF FORESTRY AND WILDLIFE SCIENCE MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH: TIM BOOSINGER, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

FROM:

JANAKI ALAVALAPATI, Dean, School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences

SUBJECT: FIVE YEAR FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE

MARY OLIVE THOMAS DEMONSTRATION FOREST

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This is to request that the following item be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Agriculture Committee & Property and Facilities Committee; and be included on the agenda of the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### Proposal:

It is proposed that Board of Trustees consider approval of the Five Year Forest Management Plan for 2015-2020 on the Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

The School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences oversees the management of Auburn University's Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest.

Consistent with standing practice, the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences has produced a Five Year Forest Management Plan for the Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest for Board of Trustees review and approval. The last Forest Management Plan was approved in June 2010. These plans provide a schedule for maintenance, harvest, and reforestation for the period 2015-2020. See Attachment 1 for an Executive Summary of the management plan.

Timber sales are included the plan in order that each sale of this state property does not have to be individually presented to the Board for approval, but can be approved in advance according to the plan. All of these forests are under supervision and management of professional foresters and Auburn University employees. generated from the sale of the timber will be used for forest regeneration, management and use, and support of demonstration programs.

If you concur, it is requested that you recommend this proposal to the Board of Trustees through the Agriculture Committee and Property & Facilities Committee for action.

#### Rationale for Recommendation:

Standing practice is that the Board of Trustees approves the Five Year Management Plan for the Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest.

# Management Planning for the Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest -Brief-

#### Introduction:

The Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest consists of a 400 acre tract of land five miles southeast of the Auburn University main campus with access from Lee County Highway 146. The proximity of the Thomas Tract to campus makes it an extremely valuable property for use by campus based faculty in the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences. This is particularly true for extension and continuing education workshops and for laboratory sessions of college courses which require a forested property.

#### Administration:

The Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest was bequeathed to the Alabama Cooperative Extension System in 1983 with the stipulation that it be used for the purpose of forest demonstration. Management has been delegated to the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences.

#### Management Objectives:

The overall management objective for the Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest is to develop and maintain the property to meet the needs of extension, teaching and research so as to maximize the benefit to Auburn University and the people of the State of Alabama. Development is to be compatible with the wishes of Mary Olive Thomas as expressed in her last will and Testament.

#### Timber Sales:

There is interest in establishing several new forest management demonstrations. This would involve harvesting four stands totaling 65 acres. Three of these stands are of mature timber showing some signs of decline. The rest is in two areas where there are demonstrations of natural regeneration. These demonstrations have served their purpose, are overly dense and should be replaced.

Permission is also requested to thin 84 acres of timber planted in the winter of 1996-97 following salvage of damage from Hurricane Opal. This timber should be ready for a first thinning within the next five years and should be accomplished as soon as commercially feasible. A second thinning is planned for 44 acres of timber planted in 1976 and 1978.

#### AGRICULTURE/PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION

### FIVE YEAR FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE SOLON DIXON FORESTRY EDUCATION CENTER

WHEREAS, Auburn University owns and manages those lands known as the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center consisting of approximately 5,350 acres located in Escambia and Covington Counties, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the School of Forestry & Wildlife Sciences manages said lands through the employment of full time professional staff located at the Solon Dixon Center; and

WHEREAS, the Solon Dixon Center has prepared a five-year forest management plan, based on sound forestry practices, for the years of 2015 – 2019; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center Five-Year Timber Harvest Schedule 2015-19 is approved and that G. Jay Gogue, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to implement said schedule, including the harvesting of timber in areas identified in the plan -- such sales to be conducted in accordance with the bid laws of the State of Alabama.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the funds generated from the sale of timber be used for forest regeneration, management, use, and support of operations of the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center.



#### SCHOOL OF FORESTRY AND WILDLIFE SCIENCE MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH: TIM BOOSINGER, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

THROUGH: DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

THROUGH: Janaki Alavalapati, Dean, School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences

FROM:

JOEL S. MARTIN, Director, Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center

SUBJECT: FIVE YEAR FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE SOLON

DIXON FORESTRY EDUCATION CENTER

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This is to request that the following item be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Agriculture Committee & Property and Facilities Committee; and be included on the agenda of the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### **Proposal:**

It is proposed that Board of Trustees consider approval of the Five Year Forest Management Plan for the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

The Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center oversees the management of 5,350 acres for the School of Forestry & Wildlife Science in Covington & Escambia Counties, Alabama.

Consistent with standing practice, the Solon Dixon Education Center has produced a Five Year Forest Management Plan as part of its Fiscal Year 2014 Annual Report. The last Forest Management Plan was approved in June 2010. These plans provide a schedule for maintenance, harvest, and reforestation for the period 2015-2019.

A five year timber harvest schedule detailing planned timber sales are included in the Five Year Plan and Annual Report so that each sale of this state property does not have to be individually presented to the Board for approval, but can be approved in advance according to the schedule. This schedule provides flexibility in harvest to meet the budget of the Dixon Center. To best take advantage of local timber markets, requests may be submitted on a "per stand" basis or grouped in advance on a "per sale" basis. Please see Attachment 1 for the Executive Summary of the Five Year Management Plan and the 2015-2019 harvest schedules. Due to its length, the Five Year Management Plan and Annual Report is available from the Secretary to the Board of Trustees Office.

The Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center is managed by professional foresters and Auburn University employees with decisions based upon sound forest management practices and principles. If you concur, it is requested that you recommend this proposal to the Board of Trustees through the Agriculture Committee and Property & Facilities Committee for action.

#### Rationale for Recommendation:

Standing practice is that the Board of Trustees approves the Five Year Management Plan for the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center.

# APPENDIX 1: FIVE YEAR TIMBER HARVEST SCHEDULE FY 2015 - FY 2019

Table 1 details the projected timber harvests for the five-year period, FY 2015 - FY 2019. The number and kinds of harvests shown are a reflection of the Center's response to current market conditions. Where possible, major sawtimber sales have been postponed or avoided. Much of the income in this cycle will be derived from thinnings and selection cuts. These harvests are designed to improve the quality of the stands while leaving an "intact" older component in place. The acres to be harvested are in line with the Center's long range goal of achieving a balanced distribution of age classes in our forest during one full rotation. We ultimately plan to have 60 percent of the pine forest in longleaf pine, either on a 60 year rotation or in an all-aged condition. The balance of the pine stands will be loblolly or slash pine on a 35 year rotation.

In this five year period, a total of 196 acres of loblolly pine stands, or 39 acres per year, will be clearcut for regeneration. An additional 79 acres of longleaf pine stands (15.8 acres per year) will receive a final harvest and will be regenerated naturally or replanted. It should be noted that in the same period, 234 acres are to receive a selection cut designed to reduce the stocking of loblolly pine and hardwoods in predominately longleaf pine stands. This is the first step in starting these stands toward an uneven-age condition by creating gaps and openings for recruitment of natural regeneration. The thinning of young stands to reduce stocking and maintain growth, and improvement cuts in older stands, is an important part of our harvest and management strategy. Over the next five years 819 acres will be thinned. The average income from all timber sales for the period is estimated to exceed \$132,000 per year. Income from intermediate harvests, including selection cuts (\$335,560) will exceed the \$325,010 that will be derived from final harvests for the period.

With local timber markets continuing to produce below average returns as compared to the Timber Mart-South© indices, it becomes more important for the Dixon Center to be positioned to take advantage of any peak (long or short term) in local timber prices. To accomplish this,

"Request for Timber Sale Approvals" may be submitted and identified by "Stand Number(s)".

With approvals done on a stand basis, the Dixon Center will be better positioned to match a stand (and its timber products) or group multiple stands in a way to meet local market demands in a more expedient fashion. As is customary, requests will be made from our current five year projections as shown in Appendix 1, Table 1. Any funds generated beyond the need of current year budgets will be deposited into the Dixon Center Quasi Endowment for use in subsequent budget years.

Table 1. Projected Timber Harvest, FY 2015 - FY 2019

		Acre	age		e to Ha			
Stand	Harvest Type	Lob	. LL	PS7	Г РР	HST	Г НР	Revenue
			,	(MBF	Cds.	MBE	Cds.)	
FY 2015								
6-2	1st Thinning SD-2013-2 CO	0	27	19	119	0		6,00
2-16/6-6/6-7	1st Thinning SD-2013-2 CO	82	0	32	811	0		41,10
6-8WW	1st Thinning SD-2013-2 CO	30	0	12	245	0		12,50
9-48	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thinning SD-2014-1 CO	54	0	25	539	0	0	21,80
1-2	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thinning SD-2014-1 CO	14	0	0	140	0	0	3,30
9-1SW	Clearcut SD-2014-2 CO	14	0	10	400	0	5	14,70
8-7Scalp	1st Thinning SD-2014-2 CO	16	0	0	394	0	0	11,80
6-9S	Selection Cut SD-2014-3	0	49	70	216	6	138	36,46
2-14	Clearcut wi Reserves	23	0	84	145	44	149	45,90
	Selection Cut	0	18	11	9	0	2	3,30
							'14Carryover	(\$111,200
EV 2016	<u> </u>						Sub Total:	\$196,86
FY 2016 2-7	Shaltanward Daniel	-	22	00	30		_	27.55
8-3LLP	Shelterwood Removal	0	33	82	32	0	5	36,90
	1 <sup>st</sup> Thinning	0	31	0	230	0	0	6,00
7-9/7-10 LLP 9-2	1st Thinning	0	89	0	670	0	0	17,40
	1 <sup>st</sup> Thinning	0	20	0	150	0	0	3,90
5-2	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thinning	26	0	8	260	0	0	8,30
5-4	1 <sup>st</sup> Thinning	0	17.5	0	175	0	0	4,500
8-4 EV 2017	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thinning	41	0	41	120	0	0	11,300
		ļ					Sub Total:	\$88,300
FY 2017								
3-1	Clearcut	55	0	275	90	0	30	82,500
9-7W,9-11, 7-11Hub	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thinning	56	0	39	280	0	0	16,750
7-9,7-10,8-3, 8-5	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thinning	113	0	22	1200	0	0	20.00
	2 I mining	113	U	22	1200	U	0 Sub Total:	39,000
FY 2018		-					Sub total:	\$138,250
6-9N	Selection Cut	0	25	50	Λ	20		10.25
1-1/1-3S/1-8S	Selection Cut	0	49	50	0	20	0	10,250
7-1S/7-5/9-1S	Selection Cut		59	108	33	0	0	13,100
7-19/ <i>1-3/9-</i> 13	Selection Cut	0		88	88	0	20	15,900
1-9		0	34	10	30	19	96	10,200
1-1S	Clearcut	12.5	0	75	25	0	0	30,000
1-13 2-5	Clearcut Clearcut	0	5	35	20	0	0	13,400
u-J	Clearcut	0	41	61	80	45	120	29,360
FY 2019							Sub Total:	\$122,210
7-11C,C(N),RF	Clearcut	72		120				40.55
2-10		53	0	132	50	0	0	40,750
7-4	Clearcut	38	0	110	53	0	90	31,500
	1 <sup>st</sup> Thinning	35	0	0	350	0	0	9,800
2-4	1 <sup>st</sup> Thinning	0	95	0	665	0	0	18,600
1-3	1 <sup>st</sup> Thinning	0	42	0	294	0	0	8,200
/-3SE/SW	1 <sup>st</sup> Thinning	0	31	0	217	0	0	6,100
							Sub Total:	\$114,950
014 2019	Fine Wasser C. 4. 1	4100	450	1201	0100			
014-2018	Five Year Total:	*196	*79	1391	8130	134	669	\$660,570
	Annual Average:	*39.1	*15.8	278	1626	26.8	harvests only	\$132,0114

<sup>\*\*</sup> Volume estimates are from low intensity management cruises. \* Acres for final harvests only.

### AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE AND PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION

### SOLON DIXON FORESTRY EDUCATION CENTER APPROVAL OF OFFICE ANNEX LEASE

WHEREAS, Auburn University owns certain real property known as the Solon Dixon Property that consists of approximately 5,300 acres located in Escambia and Covington Counties near Andalusia, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, this property and the numerous improvements constructed thereon were gifts to Auburn through the generosity of the Dixon family for the creation of the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center (SDFEC), a learning environment for forestry, wildlife and other aspects of natural resource management; and

WHEREAS, the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences, by approval of the Auburn University Board of Trustees, has been leasing space to the Longleaf Alliance Incorporated, a non-profit advocacy group focused on the restoration of longleaf pine ecosystems, since September 2009. It is proposed to renew the lease of the same 1,500 square feet of space for a ten year term with an option to renew for five years. The lease is for instructional and counseling purposes which are designed to enhance the operation of the institution and is in the best interest of Auburn University and the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center; and

WHEREAS, the annual revenue of \$6,300 generated by the ten-year lease shall be deposited in the management and operating fund for the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Jay Gogue, President, or such persons as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to:

- 1. Take such action as necessary and desirable to prepare an appropriate lease agreement between Auburn University and the Longleaf Alliance, Incorporated.
- 2. Execute such agreement as may be necessary to complete this transaction with the understanding that all instruments required for consummation of the lease be reviewed as to form by legal counsel for Auburn University.



#### **FACILITIES MANAGEMENT**

MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH:

DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

**THROUGH** 

DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

FROM:

MARK STIRLING, Director of Real Estate

SUBJECT:

AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE AND PROPERTY & FACILITIES COMMITTEE

**SOLON DIXON FORESTRY EDUCATION CENTER:** 

APPROVAL OF OFFICE ANNEX LEASE

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This is to request that the following item be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda of the meetings scheduled for September 25, 2015

#### **Proposal**

It is proposed that the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center be approved to extend the lease for office space to the Longleaf Alliance, Incorporated for an additional term of Ten years with an option for a renewal of an additional Five years.

#### Review and Consultation

Auburn University owns certain real property known as the Solon Dixon Property that consists of approximately 5,300 acres located in Escambia and Covington Counties near Andalusia, Alabama. The property and numerous improvements constructed thereon were gifts to Auburn through the generosity the Dixon family for the creation of the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center (SDFEC), a learning environment for forestry, wildlife and other aspects of natural resource management. The School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences proposes that approximately 1,500 square feet of the SDFEC Office Annex Building be leased to the Longleaf Alliance, Incorporated, a non-profit advocacy group focused on the restoration of longleaf pine ecosystems. The lease is for instructional and counseling purposes which are designed to enhance the operation of the institution and is in the best interest of Auburn University and the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center. The ten-year lease is expected to generate \$6,300 of annual revenue which shall be deposited in the management and operating fund for the SDFEC (Attachment A). This is a renewal of a lease approved by the Board of Trustees in September of 2009. This proposal is offered for your consideration and recommendation to the Board of Trustees through the Agriculture Committee and Property and Facilities Committee.

#### Rationale for Recommendation

Objectives of the Longleaf Alliance and the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences are common. Sufficient space is available for lease at the Solon Dixon Center. The lease will generate a revenue contribution to be directed toward offsetting operational and management costs at the Center.

# AUBURN MONTGOMERY COMMITTEE AND PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION

### REAL ESTATE ACQUISITION DR. AND MRS. CECIL HERMAN PRESCOTT PROPERTY

WHEREAS, an opportunity has arisen for Auburn Montgomery to purchase a parcel of land located at 1165 Bell Road, consisting of a 3,259 square foot residential home with four bedrooms, three and a half baths, a swimming pool and approximately six acres of land; and

WHEREAS, this property adjoins University owned property, and by relocating the Early Childhood Development Center to this property, its purchase would allow Auburn Montgomery to repurpose academic building space in the core of campus for future academic or administrative needs; and

WHEREAS, the funds to offset the amount of the purchase are to be provided from unrestricted University funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Jay Gogue, President, or such person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to take such action as is necessary and desirable to purchase from Dr. and Mrs. Cecil Herman Prescott the property located at 1165 Bell Road in Montgomery, Alabama as shown on Exhibit A, for the price of four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000). All documents consummating the purchase of the property shall be reviewed as to form by legal counsel for Auburn University.

#### August 18, 2015

To:

Dr. Jay Gogue

President

From:

John G. Veres III

Subject:

Proposed Board Agenda Item

Real Estate Acquisition of Prescott Property at 1165 Bell Road, Montgomery, AL 36117

Please consider including the following item for presentation to the Board of Trustees through the Auburn University Committee and the Property and Facilities Committee for inclusion on the agenda of the meeting scheduled for 25 September 2015.

Action Recommended: We are requesting that the Board of Trustees be asked to approve the purchase of approximately six acres of land, including a private residence, located at 1165 Bell Road. This parcel is offered for sale by Dr. and Mrs. Cecil Herman Prescott and adjoins other University owned property. If purchased, there is interest in utilizing this parcel for the College of Education Early Childhood Development Center. The Childhood Development Center is currently located in the core of campus and if relocated would open valuable space for academic use. Additionally, owning this location would allow construction of a driveway connecting main campus to both Bell Road properties (AUM purchased an additional residential property in 2012 that is currently occupied by ROTC).

Review and Consultation: The property offered for sale consists of a 3,259 square foot private residence with four bedrooms, three and a half baths, and a swimming pool (see Exhibit A). Consistent with standing policy, a summary appraisal report dated 6 August 2015 was secured from John E. Hall III, MAI. The purchase price is four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000). The project has been reviewed by Mark Stirling, Director of Real Estate for Auburn University and all documents consummating the purchase of the property shall be reviewed as to form by legal counsel of Auburn University.

Rationale for Recommendation: The purchase of the Prescott Property on Bell Road further strengthens our presence on Bell Road and will continue the university's growth and development of the west side of campus. Funds to offset the purchase price are available from unrestricted University funds. It is therefore recommended that the property offered for sale by Dr. and Mrs. Cecil Herman Prescott be purchased by Auburn University at Montgomery.

## AUBURN MONTGOMERY COMMITTEE AND PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION

#### AUBURN MONTGOMERY ADMISSIONS AND ALUMNI CENTER

### APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO COMMENCE THE PROJECT ARCHITECT SELECTION PROCESS

WHEREAS, Auburn University at Montgomery is committed to actively recruiting new students and building successful and affinitive alumni; and

WHEREAS, the University seeks to reduce the amount of leased space and its associated costs and increase on-campus facilities; and

WHEREAS, to achieve this, Auburn Montgomery proposes to construct an Admissions and Alumni Center on the Auburn Montgomery campus, that will support recruitment goals, financial goals and provide needed administrative space on campus; and

WHEREAS, this project cost will be offset by annual lease expense savings, creating long-term savings for the University; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is expected to cost in excess of \$1,000,000, and the Board of Trustees policy stipulates that all construction and renovation/adaptation, infrastructure or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more must be submitted to the Board through the Auburn Montgomery Committee and the Property and Facilities Committee for action;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Auburn University at Montgomery Admissions and Alumni Center project is approved; and Jay Gogue, President or such other person as may be acting as president, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to initiate the process for the selection of an architect.

#### 18 August 2015

TO:

Dr. Jay Gogue

President

FROM:

John G. Veres III

Chancellor

SUBIECT:

Proposed Board Agenda Items

Admissions and Alumni Center: Approval of Project Initiation and Authorization

to Commence the Project Architect Selection Process

Please consider including the following item for presentation to the Board of Trustees through the Auburn Montgomery Committee and the Property and Facilities Committee for inclusion on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for 25 September 2015.

Action Recommended: Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the Admissions and Alumni Center project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Auburn Montgomery Committee and the Property and Facilities Committee for appropriate action that will: (1) approve the initiation of the project and (2) authorize the commencement of the project architect selection process.

Review and Consultation: The proposal has been discussed with the affected unit directors, and all wish to move to the new center. The proposal was also discussed with the Faculty Senate at its July meeting. The Vice Chancellor for Financial Affairs believes the proposal represents a higher and better use of AUM funds than the current rental expenditure. The Senior Staff and myself have endorsed the proposal for a new on-campus structure.

Rationale for Recommendation: Auburn University at Montgomery desires to reduce the amount of University leased space and increase on-campus administrative space by building an Admissions and Alumni Center. This new facility would allow for the termination of approximately \$310,000 in annual leasing expenditures incurred by the Office of Advancement and Alumni Affairs, Outreach, Institutional Effectiveness and portions of Enrollment processing. These lease savings would offset expected bond payments and create long-term savings for the University. The anticipated cost of the project is approximately \$5,000,000.

This building would be an easily accessible and inviting "welcome center" for prospective students, alumni, and campus visitors. Additionally, it will house administrative offices such as Admissions and Enrollment Management, the Office of Advancement and Alumni Affairs, Outreach, and Campus Police.

Thank you for your consideration.

#### PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION

### MELL STREET, WEST SAMFORD AVENUE, AND THACH AVENUE TRAFFIC AND PARKING IMPROVEMENTS

#### APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO COMMENCE THE PROJECT ARCHITECT AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGER SELECTION PROCESSES

WHEREAS, Mell Street, West Samford Avenue, and Thach Avenue are important roads on the east side of the Auburn University campus; and

WHEREAS, several improvements are proposed to improve the traffic flow as well as the parking layout and capacity in this area, particularly near Samford Hall; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project would improve the Mell Street and West Samford Avenue intersection, realign parking adjacent to Ross Square, increase parking near Mary Martin Hall, and increase traffic control on Thach Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is expected to cost in excess of \$1,000,000 and Board of Trustees policy stipulates that all construction and renovation/adaptation, infrastructure or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more must be submitted to the Board through the Property and Facilities Committee for action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Mell Street, West Samford Avenue, and Thach Avenue Traffic and Parking Improvements project is approved; and Jay Gogue, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to commence the selection processes of a project architect and construction manager.



## FACILITIES MANAGEMENT MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH: DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

FROM: DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

MELL STREET, WEST SAMFORD AVENUE, AND THACH AVENUE TRAFFIC AND PARKING IMPROVEMENTS: APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO COMMENCE THE PROJECT ARCHITECT AND

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER SELECTION PROCESSES

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### **Proposal:**

Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the Mell Street, West Samford Avenue, and Thach Avenue Traffic and Parking Improvements project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for appropriate action that will: (1) approve the initiation of the project and (2) authorize the commencement of the architect and construction manager selection processes.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

Mell Street and Thach Avenue are important roads on the east side of the Auburn University campus. Several improvements are proposed to improve the traffic flow as well as the parking layout and capacity in this area, particularly near Samford Hall. The proposed project would:

- Improve the Mell Street and West Samford Avenue intersection
- Realign parking adjacent to Ross Square
- Increase parking near Mary Martin Hall
- Increase traffic control on Thach Avenue

Taken in combination, these improvements are anticipated to improve campus traffic and parking.

#### **Rationale for Recommendation:**

The Mell Street, West Samford Avenue, and Thach Avenue Traffic and Parking Improvements project is expected to cost in excess of \$1,000,000. Standing policy of the Board of Trustees stipulates that all construction, renovation/adaptation, infrastructure, or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, be submitted to the Board of Trustees for action.

#### PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION

#### RISK MANAGEMENT AND SAFETY BUILDING

### APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO COMMENCE THE PROJECT ARCHITECT SELECTION PROCESS

WHEREAS, the Risk Management and Safety staff is currently located in two facilities on campus: Leach Science Center and the Safety Annex on Camp Auburn Road; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project would relocate the Risk Management and Safety staff to a new building at the Facility Management Complex on West Samford Avenue; and

WHEREAS, this relocation is required to build an addition onto the Leach Science Center to house the Department of Physics faculty and staff due to the demolition of Parker and Allison Halls as part of the Academic Classroom and Laboratory project; and

WHEREAS, this plan is consistent with the Campus Master Plan strategy of relocating service functions out of the core of campus to increase the space available for academic units; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is expected to cost in excess of \$1,000,000 and Board of Trustees policy stipulates that all construction and renovation/adaptation, infrastructure or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, must be submitted to the Board through the Property and Facilities Committee for action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Risk Management and Safety Building project is approved; and Jay Gogue, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to commence the selection process of a project architect.



#### FACILITIES MANAGEMENT MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH: DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

FROM:

DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RISK MANAGEMENT AND SAFETY BUILDING: APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO COMMENCE THE PROJECT

ARCHITECT PROCESS

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### **Proposal:**

Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the Risk Management and Safety Building project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for appropriate action that will approve the initiation of the project and authorize the commencement of the architect selection process.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

The Risk Management and Safety (RMS) staff is currently located in two facilities on campus: Leach Science Center and the Safety Annex on Camp Auburn Road. The proposed project would relocate the RMS staff to a new building at the Facility Management Complex on West Samford Avenue. The relocation of the RMS staff out of Leach Science Center is required to build an addition onto Leach to house the Department of Physics faculty and staff due to the demolition of Parker and Allison Halls as part of the Academic Classroom and Laboratory project. The RMS staff in the Safety Annex would also be relocated to consolidate the staff and remove the staff from that substandard facility. This plan is consistent with the Campus Master Plan strategy of relocating service functions out of the core of campus to increase the space available for academic units.

#### **Rationale for Recommendation:**

The Risk Management and Safety Building project is expected to cost in excess of \$1,000,000. Standing policy of the Board of Trustees stipulates that all construction, renovation/adaptation, infrastructure, or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, be submitted to the Board of Trustees for action.

#### PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION

#### **AUXILIARY SERVICES BUILDING**

### APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO COMMENCE THE PROJECT ARCHITECT SELECTION PROCESS

WHEREAS, the Auxiliary Services facility is currently located at the corner of Hemlock Drive and Thach Avenue on the west end of campus, and the staff and maintenance operation has outgrown the current facility; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project would relocate some of the Auxiliary Services staff to a new building within the Facility Management Complex on West Samford Avenue, and this relocation would also provide additional space to enable the relocation of Auxiliary Services material currently stored in the Food Service Warehouse located on South Donahue Avenue next to Lowder Hall; and

WHEREAS, this relocation plan is consistent with the Campus Master Plan strategy of relocating service functions out of the core of campus to increase the space available for academic units; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is expected to cost in excess of \$1,000,000 and Board of Trustees policy stipulates that all construction and renovation/adaptation, infrastructure or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, must be submitted to the Board through the Property and Facilities Committee for action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Auxiliary Services Building project is approved; and Jay Gogue, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to commence the selection process of a project architect.



## FACILITIES MANAGEMENT MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH: DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

FROM: DAN KING, Assoc

DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

AUXILIARY SERVICES BUILDING: APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION

AND AUTHORIZATION TO COMMENCE THE PROJECT ARCHITECT

**PROCESS** 

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### **Proposal:**

Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the Auxiliary Services Building project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for appropriate action that will approve the initiation of the project and authorize the commencement of the architect selection process.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

The Auxiliary Services facility is currently located at the corner of Hemlock Drive and Thach Avenue on the west end of campus. The staff and maintenance operation has outgrown the current facility. The proposed project would relocate some of the Auxiliary Services staff to a new building within the Facility Management Complex on West Samford Avenue. This relocation would also provide additional space to enable the relocation of Auxiliary Services material currently stored in the Food Service Warehouse located on South Donahue Avenue next to Lowder Hall. This relocation plan is consistent with the Campus Master Plan strategy of relocating service functions out of the core of campus to increase the space available for academic units.

#### **Rationale for Recommendation:**

The Auxiliary Services Building project is expected to cost in excess of \$1,000,000. Standing Board of Trustees policy stipulates that all construction, renovation/adaptation, infrastructure, or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, be submitted to the Board of Trustees for action.

#### PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION

#### HEALTH SCIENCE SECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE

### APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND SELECTION OF THE PROJECT ENGINEER

WHEREAS, the 2013 Campus Master Plan designated the area at the southwest corner of South Donahue Drive and Lem Morrison Drive as the Health Science Sector of the Auburn University campus; and

WHEREAS, this sector is intended to be a site for future instructional and research buildings related to the health sciences to create synergies with the Auburn Research and Technology Park and the new Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine; and

WHEREAS, two new University buildings are currently planned for construction in the Health Science Sector: the School of Nursing and the Pharmaceutical Research Building, with both scheduled to begin construction in late 2015 or early 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Health Science Sector Infrastructure project is the first phase of an overall campus utility upgrade project approved by the Board of Trustees in June 2015, and it proposes to upgrade or provide the necessary water, electric power, chilled water/hot water, sewer, and information technology/communications infrastructure to the Health Science Sector to support these and future projects; and

WHEREAS, engineering firm, LBYD Inc., of Birmingham Alabama, is best positioned to design this utility work in time to support the construction of the School of Nursing facility and Pharmaceutical Research Building; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is expected to cost in excess of \$1,000,000 and Board of Trustees policy stipulates that all construction and renovation/adaptation, infrastructure or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, must be submitted to the Board through the Property and Facilities Committee for action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Health Science Sector Infrastructure project is approved; and Jay Gogue, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to:

- 1. Engage the firm of LBYD Inc., of Birmingham Alabama, as project engineer to consult in the development of the infrastructure program and project design.
- 2. Limit the project planning and design development to the schematic design phase until such time as the program requirements, budget, funding plan, and site are approved by the Board.



## FACILITIES MANAGEMENT MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH: DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

FROM:

DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

**SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE** 

HEALTH SCIENCE SECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE: APPROVAL OF PROJECT

INITIATION AND SELECTION OF THE PROJECT ENGINEER

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### **Proposal:**

Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the Health Science Sector Infrastructure project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for appropriate action that will approve the initiation of the project and authorize the selection of the project engineer.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

The 2013 Campus Master Plan designated the area at the southwest corner of South Donahue Drive and Lem Morrison Drive as the Health Science Sector of the Auburn University campus. This sector is intended to be a site for future instructional and research buildings related to the health sciences to create synergies with the Auburn Research and Technology Park and the new Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Two new University buildings are currently planned for construction in the Health Science Sector: the School of Nursing and the Pharmaceutical Research Building. These projects are scheduled to begin construction in late 2015 or early 2016.

This project is the first phase of an overall campus utility upgrade project approved by the Board of Trustees in June 2015. It proposes to upgrade or provide the necessary utility infrastructure to the Health Science Sector to support these and future projects. The utilities required include water, electric power, chilled water/hot water, sewer, and information technology, communications.

The engineering firm on the project design team, LBYD Inc., of Birmingham Alabama, is best positioned to design this utility work in time to support the construction of the School of Nursing facility and the Pharmaceutical Research Building.

#### Rationale for Recommendation:

The Health Science Sector Infrastructure project is expected to cost in excess of \$1,000,000. Standing policy of the Board of Trustees stipulates that all construction, renovation/adaptation, infrastructure, or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, be submitted to the Board of Trustees for action.

#### RESOLUTION

#### OFFSITE LIBRARY ARCHIVING FACILITY

## APPROVAL OF PROJECT, PROJECT PROGRAM, SITE, BUDGET AND FUNDING PLAN

WHEREAS, the Provost proposes to construct a warehouse facility to archive low utilization library materials at a site off campus; and

WHEREAS, this project will enable the University to relocate library material displaced by the additional classrooms to be built in the Ralph Brown Draughon Library as part of the Mell Classroom Building and to proceed with previous plans to create additional student study space to meet high student demand; and

WHEREAS, the proposed facility would construct a commercial grade warehouse facility, of approximately 16,000 square feet, at the University owned property located at 340 Skyway Drive in Auburn, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the cost of this project is anticipated to be \$1.9 million to be funded by unrestricted University funds; and

WHEREAS, all construction, renovation/adaptation, infrastructure, or outdoor facility projects, with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, must be submitted to the Board of Trustees, through the Property and Facilities Committee, for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the project is approved and that Jay Gogue, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to:

- 1. Establish a total project budget in the amount of \$1.9 million, to be funded by University unrestricted funds.
- 2. Direct the consultants to complete the required plans for the project.
- 3. Solicit bids for construction conditioned upon the availability of sufficient funding as approved by the President.
- 4. Award a contract for construction conditioned upon the lowest responsible and responsive bid being consistent with the project budget.



MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH:

DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

FROM:

DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

**SUBJECT:** 

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

OFFSITE LIBRARY ARCHIVING FACILITY: APPROVAL OF PROJECT,

PROJECT PROGRAM, SITE, BUDGET AND FUNDING PLAN

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This memorandum requests that the following item be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### **Proposal:**

Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the new Offsite Library Archiving Facility project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for consideration of appropriate action that will approve the project and its program, site, budget and funding plan

#### **Review and Consultation:**

The Provost proposes to construct a facility to archive low utilization library materials at a site off-campus. This project would enable the Library to relocate library material displaced by the additional classrooms to be built in the Ralph Brown Draughon Library as part of the Mell Classroom Building. Additionally, it will enable the Library to proceed with previous plans to create additional student study space within the Library to meet high student demand.

The project details are provided below:

<u>Program Requirement:</u> The project program consists of a commercial grade warehouse facility of approximately 16,000 square foot.

<u>Site</u>: The proposed location for the facility is on University owned property located at 340 Skyway Drive in Auburn, Alabama. See attachment 1.

<u>Budget:</u> The estimated total cost of the project is \$1.9 million.

<u>Funding Plan:</u> The project will be funded using University unrestricted funds.

This project is the first in a series of warehouse type facilities the University may build on this site with the goal to reduce the number of functions and amount of material located in the core of campus.

If you concur, it is proposed the facility program, budget, funding plan, site, and schematic design be presented to the Board of Trustees for consideration of an appropriate resolution for approval at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### **Rationale for Recommendation:**

The Offsite Library Archiving Facility project is expected to cost in excess of \$1,000,000. Standing policy of the Board of Trustees stipulates that all construction, renovation/adaptation, infrastructure, or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, be submitted to the Board of Trustees for action.

Attachment 1

Site Plan for the Offsite Library Archiving Facility (OLAF)



#### RESOLUTION

#### LEACH SCIENCE CENTER ADDITION

## APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND ARCHITECT AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGER SELECTIONS

WHEREAS, at its meeting on February 6, 2015, the Board of Trustees approved a project to construct the Academic Classroom and Laboratory Complex, one of two new campus facilities intended to transform academic instruction at Auburn University; and

WHEREAS, the new classroom and laboratory complex will be constructed on the current site of Parker and Allison Halls; and

WHEREAS, this project proposes to build an addition to the Leach Science Center to relocate the Physics Department from Parker and Allison Halls and thus enable the demolition of those buildings; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on April 17, 2015, the Board of Trustees authorized the selection of Perkins+Will, of Atlanta, Georgia, as the project architect, and the selection of Brasfield & Gorrie, of Birmingham, Alabama, as the construction manager, for the Academic Classroom and Laboratory Complex project; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Academic Classroom and Laboratory Complex planning process, the firms Perkins+Will and Brasfield & Gorrie, LLC, have considerable knowledge of the project design, site, and schedule, and as a result, the University Architect and the Executive Director of Design & Construction have determined these firm to be best qualified to provide architectural and construction management services on the Leach Science Center Addition project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Leach Science Center Addition project is approved, and Jay Gogue, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to:

- 1. Engage Perkins+Will, of Atlanta, Georgia, as project architect to consult in the development of the facility program; to participate in space analysis and site planning; to compare alternative design concepts for consideration; to quantify and qualify project scope and cost alternatives.
- 2. Engage Brasfield & Gorrie, LLC, of Birmingham, Alabama, as construction manager to consult in the development of the facility program; to participate in space

analysis and site planning; to compare alternative design concepts for consideration; to quantify and qualify project scope and cost alternatives.

3. Limit the project plan and plan development to the schematic design phase until such time as the program requirements, budget, funding plan, and site are approved by the Board.



#### FACILITIES DIVISION

MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH:

DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

FROM:

DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

**SUBJECT:** 

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

LEACH SCIENCE CENTER ADDITION: APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND ARCHITECT AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGER

**SELECTIONS** 

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This memorandum is to request that the following item be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### Proposal:

Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the Leach Science Center Addition project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for consideration of appropriate action that will: (1) approve the project initiation; and (2) approve the selections of a project architect and a construction manager.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

The Edmund C. Leach Science Center is a 59,720 square foot facility located on Duncan Drive, east of the South Donahue Residence Hall. Leach Science Center was constructed in 1960 and was dedicated as the Edmund C. Leach Nuclear Science Center in 1967. In 1996, the facility's name was modified to Leach Science Center to reflect a broader scope of scientific focus.

A project is proposed to construct an addition to the Leach Science Center to relocate and consolidate the Physics Department and Faculty into that facility.

At its meeting on February 6, 2015, the Board of Trustees initiated the Academic Classroom and Laboratory Complex project. The new classroom and laboratory complex will be constructed on the current sites of Parker and Allison Halls, thus necessitating the demolition of Parker and Allison Halls and creating the requirement to relocate the Physics Department.

At its April 17, 2015 meeting, the Board authorized the selections of Perkins+Will, of Atlanta, Georgia, as the project architect, and Brasfield & Gorrie, LLC, of Birmingham, Alabama, as the construction manager, for the Academic Classroom and Laboratory

Complex project. To take advantage of the team's design, project schedule, and site knowledge, it is the recommendation of the University Architect and Executive Director of Design & Construction to retain Perkins+Will, as the project architect, and Brasfield & Gorrie, LLC, as the construction manager, for the Leach Science Center Addition project

#### Rationale for Recommendation:

The Leach Science Center Addition project is expected to cost in excess of \$1,000,000. Standing policy of the Board of Trustees stipulates that all construction and renovation/adaptation, infrastructure or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, be submitted to the Board for action.

#### RESOLUTION

#### ENGINEERING ACHIEVEMENT CENTER

# APPROVAL OF PROJECT ARCHITECT AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGER SELECTIONS

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees, at the meeting held on June 5, 2015, approved the initiation of a project to construct a new Engineering Achievement Center facility, and authorized the commencement of the processes to select a project architect and a construction manager; and

WHEREAS, the University Architect, after conducting interviews with five candidate firms, determined the architectural firm of SmithGroupJJR, of Washington, D.C., was best qualified to provide architectural services on this project; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director of Design & Construction, after conducting interviews with four candidate firms, determined the firm, Brasfield & Gorrie, LLC, of Birmingham, Alabama, was best qualified to provide construction management services on this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Jay Gogue, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to:

- 1. Engage the architectural team of SmithGroupJJR, of Washington, D.C, as project architect to consult in the development of the facility program and project design.
- 2. Engage the construction management firm, Brasfield & Gorrie, LLC, of Birmingham, Alabama, to perform construction management services and to assist in the development of the facility program and manage the construction of the facility.
- 3. Limit the project planning and design development to the schematic design phase until such time as the program requirements, budget, funding plan, and site are approved by the Board.



MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH: DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

FROM:

DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

ENGINEERING ACHIEVEMENT CENTER: APPROVAL OF PROJECT

ARCHITECT AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGER SELECTIONS

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### **Proposal:**

Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the Engineering Achievement Center facility project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for consideration of a resolution that approves the selections of the project architect and construction manager.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

During its meeting of June 5, 2015, the Board of Trustees approved the initiation of a project to construct a new Engineering Achievement Center facility, and authorized the commencement of the architect and construction manager selection processes.

Since that time, Requests for Qualifications were published for architectural and construction management services. Of the fifteen architectural firms who submitted qualifications, five were interviewed by the Architect Selection Committee. The committee determined that the architectural firm, SmithGroupJJR, of Washington D.C., was best qualified to provide architectural services on this project. The University Architect concurs with this recommendation.

Four firms were interviewed by the Construction Manager Selection Committee. The committee determined that the firm, Brasfield & Gorrie, LLC, of Birmingham, Alabama, was best qualified to provide construction management services on this project. The Executive Director of Design & Construction concurs with this recommendation.

It is, therefore, appropriate that a resolution be presented to the Board of Trustees for their consideration to approve the selections of SmithGroupJJR, of Washington D.C., as the project architect, and Brasfield & Gorrie, LLC, of Birmingham, Alabama, as the construction manager for the new Engineering Achievement Center facility. If you concur, it is recommended the resolution be presented to the Board of Trustees, through the Property and Facilities Committee, for appropriate review and action.

### **Rationale for Recommendation:**

Standing policy of the Board of Trustees stipulates that all construction, renovation/adaptation, infrastructure or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, be submitted to the Board of Trustees for action.

#### RESOLUTION

#### CAMPUS UTILITY SYSTEM EXPANSION

#### APPROVAL OF UTILITY SYSTEM ENGINEER SELECTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees, at the meeting held on June 5, 2015, approved the initiation of a project to expand the campus utility system and authorized the commencement of the utility system engineer selection process; and

WHEREAS, the University Engineer, after conducting interviews with four candidate firms, determined the team of Affiliated Engineers, of Chapel Hill, North Carolina with LBYD, Inc., of Birmingham, Alabama, was best qualified to provide utility system engineering services on this project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is anticipated to cost in excess of \$1,000,000 and Board of Trustee policy stipulates that all construction and renovation/adaptation, infrastructure or outdoor facility projects with budgets over \$1,000,000 or more, must be submitted to the Board through the Property and Facilities Committee for action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Jay Gogue, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to:

- 1. Engage the engineering team of Affiliated Engineers, of Chapel Hill, North Carolina and LBYD, Inc., of Birmingham, Alabama, as utility system engineer to consult in the development of the utility system program and design.
- 2. Limit the project planning and design development to the schematic design phase until such time as the program requirements, budget, funding plan, and site are approved by the Board.



#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH: DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

FROM: DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

**SUBJECT:** PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

CAMPUS UTILITY SYSTEM EXPANSION: APPROVAL OF UTILITY SYSTEM

**ENGINEER SELECTION** 

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### Proposal:

Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the Campus Utility System Expansion project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for consideration of a resolution that approves the selection of the utility system engineer.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

During its meeting of June 5, 2015, the Board of Trustees approved the initiation of the Campus Utility System Expansion project and authorized the commencement of the engineer selection process.

Since that time, a Request for Qualifications was published for engineering services. Of the six engineering firms/teams who submitted qualifications, four were interviewed by the Engineer Selection Committee. The committee determined that the team of Affiliated Engineers, of Chapel Hill, North Carolina with LBYD, Inc., of Birmingham, Alabama, was best qualified to provide utility system design services on this project. The University Engineer concurs with this recommendation.

It is, therefore, appropriate that a resolution be presented to the Board of Trustees for their consideration to approve the selection of the engineering team of Affiliated Engineers, of Chapel Hill, North Carolina with LBYD, Inc., of Birmingham, Alabama, as the utility system engineer. If you concur, it is recommended the resolution be presented to the Board of Trustees, through the Property and Facilities Committee, for appropriate review and action.

#### Rationale for Recommendation:

Standing policy of the Board of Trustees stipulates that all construction, renovation/adaptation, infrastructure or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, be submitted to the Board of Trustees for action.

#### RESOLUTION

#### FOOD ANIMAL RESEARCH FACILITY

# APPROVAL OF PROJECT PROGRAM, SITE, BUDGET, FUNDING PLAN, AND SCHEMATIC DESIGN

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees approved the initiation of the Food Animal Research Facility project, and the selection of Foil Wyatt Architects, of Jackson, Mississippi, as the project architect at its meeting of February 6, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Food Animal Research Facility project will construct a new 8,800 square foot laboratory to provide state-of-the-art capabilities for research related to large food animals, particularly cattle and sheep, in support of the College's mission in research and clinical education; and

WHEREAS, the Food Animal Research Facility is estimated to cost \$3.4 million, to be funded by College of Veterinary Medicine professional fees, research revenue, and gift funds; and

WHEREAS, the new research facility will be constructed on Simms Road, adjacent to the College of Veterinary Medicine; and

WHEREAS, the schematic design of the Food Animal Research Facility project has been determined by the University Architect to be consistent with the "Comprehensive Master Plan," the "Image and Character of Auburn University," the facility program, and the project budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Jay Gogue, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to:

- 1. Establish a budget for the Food Animal Research Facility project in the amount of \$3.4 million, to be financed by College of Veterinary Medicine professional fees, research revenue, and gift funds.
- 2. Direct the consultants to complete the required plans for the project.
- 3. Solicit bids for construction conditioned upon the availability of sufficient funding as approved by the President.
- 4. Award a contract for construction conditioned upon the lowest responsible and responsive bid being consistent with the project budget.



MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH: DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

FROM:

DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

FOOD ANIMAL RESEARCH FACILITY: APPROVAL OF PROJECT PROGRAM,

SITE, BUDGET, FUNDING PLAN, AND SCHEMATIC DESIGN

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### **Proposal:**

Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the Food Animal Research Facility project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for consideration of a resolution that approves the program requirements, budget, funding plan, site, and schematic design for the project. If approved, the resolution would authorize the President to direct the consultants to complete the project design; solicit bids; and award a contract for construction.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

At its meeting held on February 6, 2015, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation for the Food Animal Research Facility, and the project architect selection of Foil Wyatt Architects, of Jackson, Mississippi.

Since that time, the project design team has worked to complete the schematic design for the Food Animal Research Facility project. The project details are provided below:

- Program Requirements: The proposed 8,810 gross-square-foot (gsf) food animal research facility will provide state-of-the-art capabilities for research related to large food animals, particularly cattle and sheep, in support of the College's mission in research and clinical education.
- Budget: The estimated total project cost to construct the new research facility is \$3.4 million.

- <u>Funding Plan:</u> The project will be financed using College of Veterinary Medicine professional fees, research revenue, and gift funds.
- <u>Project Location:</u> The new facility will be constructed adjacent to the College of Veterinary Medicine on Simms Road. See Attachment 1.

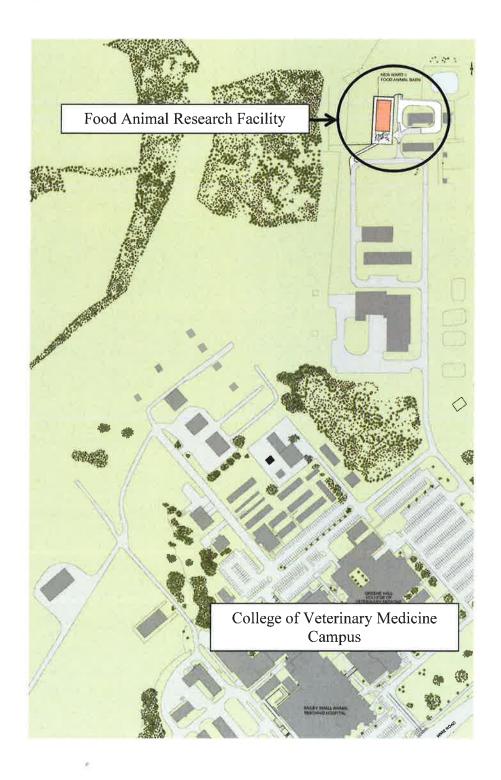
If you concur, it is proposed the facility program, budget, funding plan, site, and schematic design be presented to the Board of Trustees for consideration of an appropriate resolution for approval at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### Rationale for Recommendation:

Standing policy of the Board of Trustees stipulates that all construction, renovation/adaptation, infrastructure or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, be submitted to the Board of Trustees for action.

Attachment 1

Proposed Site Location for the Food Animal Research Facility



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#### RESOLUTION

#### CATER HALL REPAIRS AND RENOVATION--PHASE II

## APPROVAL OF PROJECT PROGRAM, SITE, BUDGET, FUNDING PLAN, AND SCHEMATIC DESIGN

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees approved the initiation of the Cater Hall Repairs and Renovation project at its meeting of September 5, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Cater Hall Repairs and Renovation Phase II project will renovate the interior space to improve space utilization, repair mechanical and electrical systems, and maintain the architectural quality of the building; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total cost for Phase II of the Cater Hall Repairs and Renovation project is \$1.95 million, to be funded by Repair and Renovation and other University general funds; and

WHEREAS, the schematic design of the Cater Hall Repairs and Renovation Phase II project, has been determined by the University Architect to be consistent with the "Comprehensive Master Plan," the "Image and Character of Auburn University," the facility program, and the project budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Jay Gogue, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to:

- 1. Establish a budget for Phase II of the project in the amount of \$1.9 million, to be funded by Repair and Renovation and other University general funds.
- 2. Direct the consultants to complete the required plans for the project.
- 3. Solicit bids for construction conditioned upon the availability of sufficient funding as approved by the President.
- 4. Award a contract for construction conditioned upon the lowest responsible and responsive bid being consistent with the project budget.



MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH: DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

FROM:

DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

**SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE** 

CATER HALL REPAIRS AND RENOVATION—PHASE II: APPROVAL OF PROJECT PROGRAM, SITE, BUDGET, FUNDING PLAN, AND SCHEMATIC

DESIGN

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### **Proposal:**

Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the Cater Hall Repairs and Renovation Phase II project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for consideration of a resolution that approves the program requirements, budget, funding plan, site, and schematic design for Phase II of the project. If approved, the resolution would authorize the President to direct the consultants to complete the project design; solicit bids; and award a contract for construction.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

At its meeting held on April 17, 2014, the Board of Trustees approved the project program, site, budget, funding plan, and schematic design for Phase I of the Cater Hall Repairs and Renovation project. Phase I of the project repaired the foundation and replaced siding, windows, electrical and mechanical systems. Phase II will focus on improving space utilization, mechanical and electrical system repairs, and updating architectural finishes within Cater Hall.

Since that time, the project design team has worked to complete the schematic design for Phase II of the Cater Hall Repairs and Renovation project. The project details are provided below:

• Program Requirements: The proposed project scope includes altering some existing sections of Cater Hall to improve space utilization, repairing the heating, ventilating, and cooling system, and replacing interior architectural finishes. Budget permitting, the project may also install a fire sprinkler system in Cater Hall.

- <u>Budget:</u> The estimated project cost for Phase II of the Cater Hall Repairs and Renovation project is \$1.95 million.
- <u>Funding Plan:</u> The project will be funded using Repair and Renovation funds and other University general funds.
- <u>Project Location:</u> Katherine Cooper Cater Hall.

If you concur, it is proposed the facility program, budget, funding plan, site, and schematic design be presented to the Board of Trustees for consideration of an appropriate resolution for approval at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### **Rationale for Recommendation:**

Standing policy of the Board of Trustees stipulates that all construction, renovation/adaptation, infrastructure or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, be submitted to the Board of Trustees for action.

#### RESOLUTION

### SIGMA PHI EPSILON FRATERNITY: REQUEST TO RENEW A LEASE

WHEREAS, the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity currently owns a fraternity house on campus at 926 West Magnolia Avenue pursuant to a lease that expires May 31, 2030; and

WHEREAS, the Fraternity would like to renovate the structure and has requested an extension to the term of the ground lease and an increase in the mortgage cap. The request has been reviewed and recommended by the Vice President of Student Affairs, the Committee on Fraternities and Sororities, the Office of Campus Planning and Space Management and the President concurs

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Jay Gogue, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to:

- 1. To execute for and on behalf of Auburn University a 49 year lease renewal at \$1.00/yr for the site at 926 West Magnolia Avenue; and
- 2. To increase the terms of the lease to increase the mortgage cap from \$750,000.00 to \$1,000,000.00; and
- 3. To authorize such other or further provisions of said lease as may be found by him to be desirable and in the University's best interest. All actions and instruments in this transaction shall be approved as to legal form by the General Counsel for Auburn University.



### FACILITIES MANAGEMENT MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH: DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

THROUGH: DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

FROM:

MARK STIRLING, DIRECTOR OF REAL ESTATE

**SUBJECT:** PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

SIGMA PHI EPSILON FRATERNITY

**REQUEST TO RENEW LEASE** 926 WEST MAGNOLIA AVE

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This is to request that the following item be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and be included on the agenda of the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### Proposal:

The Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity has requested the approval of a 49-year lease extension for the site located at 926 West Magnolia Ave on Auburn University property. In addition, they request the mortgage cap for be increased to \$1,000,000.00

#### **Review and Consultation:**

The Alabama Alpha Chapter of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity was chartered at Auburn University in 1928. They currently own a fraternity house on the Auburn campus located at 926 West Magnolia Avenue. The ground lease for this property expires on May 31, 2030.

Sigma Phi Epsilon is requesting a modification to their existing lease in order to finance the renovation of the exterior façade and perform maintenance needed for the existing fraternity house on the property. Sigma Phi Epsilon currently has a mortgage cap of \$750,000.00. The estimated cost of the renovations will require them to borrow above the cap. In addition, the mortgage company would like for the lease to be in place for more than the remaining 15 years to allow them to have the right to use the property for the length of their mortgage.

This request was initiated by Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity through the Office of Greek Life and the Vice President for Student Affairs. The Vice President of Student Affairs

indicates this request has been reviewed by a University Committee on Fraternities and Sororities and the Office of Campus Planning and Space Management. Both groups recommend that the Sigma Phi Epsilon request be supported by the University. If you concur, it is requested that the proposal be presented to the Property and Facilities Committee and upon approval of the committee, be placed on the agenda of the full Board of Trustees scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### Rationale for Recommendation:

Renewal and modification of this lease will allow the renovation to the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity house at 926 West Magnolia Avenue. The Vice President of Student Affairs has indicated that the fraternity is a significant and stable organization within the Auburn Greek Life System. Continuation of Sigma Phi Epsilon's long-time service to the campus is noted to be important; therefore, it is appropriate that their meeting and housing facilities reflect due prominence in our fraternity system and ensure the safety of their residents.

It is therefore appropriate that the proposed lease revisions be presented to the Property and Facilities Committee and upon receiving endorsement by the committee, be recommended to the full Board of Trustees for consideration of a resolution which authorizes the President to execute the lease with provisions deemed to be in the best interest of Auburn University. All lease documents for the Lease of the property shall be reviewed as to form by legal counsel for Auburn University.



MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH: DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

FROM:

DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

**SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE** 

POULTRY RESEARCH FARM UNIT RELOCATION TO NORTH AUBURN

(FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This is to request that the following item be presented to the Board of Trustees, for information only, through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda of the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### **Proposal:**

The College of Agriculture proposes to undertake a long range project to relocate the Poultry Research Farm Unit to the North Auburn Campus.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

The Poultry Research Farm Unit is currently located within the Auburn Research Park in the southern area of the University's main campus. It is complex of over 20 barns, processing facilities, and administrative buildings needed to conduct the instruction and research mission of the Poultry Science Department within the College of Agriculture.

To facilitate future growth of the Auburn Research Park, the Campus Master Plan has called for the relocation of these facilities to the North Auburn Campus. This plan was originally proposed as part of the North Auburn Land Use Plan which was adopted in 2005. The process of moving to the North Auburn Campus began in March of 2009 when the Board of Trustees approved a resolution initiating the Poultry and Animal Nutrition Center project. This \$7.1 million state-ofthe-art feed mill facility was officially opened in November 2012.

The relocation of the remaining buildings in the Poultry Research Farm Unit will be accomplished through partnerships between Auburn University, the Poultry industry, and private donors. The first phase of the relocation is anticipated to occur in 2016 with the construction of two poultry houses and a National Poultry Technology Center building. It is anticipated that the Department of Poultry Science and the National Poultry Technology Center will receive significant gifts and donations of equipment and facilities by various companies in the Poultry industry as part of the construction of these facilities. In subsequent years, additional buildings will be constructed at the North Auburn site until the entire Poultry Research Farm Unit has been relocated. Once relocated, the existing main campus facilities will be demolished, and the land will be utilized by the Auburn Research Park for future expansion.

The cost of these three initial buildings is expected to be under the \$1,000,000 Board of Trustee capital project approval threshold. Nonetheless, this relocation represents a major step in the achievement of an important Master Plan land use goal, and as a result, it is recommended that the Board of Trustees be made aware of this project.

If you concur, it is proposed that the Poultry Research Farm Unit Relocation to North Auburn project be presented to the Board of Trustees, for information only, at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### Rationale for Recommendation:

None. This project is presented to the Board of Trustees, for information only.



M E M O R A N D U M

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH:

DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

FROM:

DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

SUBJECT:

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

CURRENT STATUS OF NEW CONSTRUCTION/RENOVATION/INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS WITH BUDGETS OF \$1,000,000

AND GREATER

(For Information Only)

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015** 

This is to request that the following proposal be submitted to the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda of the Board of Trustees meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### Proposal:

Consistent with standing practice, it is proposed that the current status report of new construction/renovation/infrastructure projects with budgets greater than \$1,000,000 be submitted, *for information only*, to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

The Board of Trustees at its meeting on June 4, 2001, requested that it receive a regular update on the financial status of Board approved projects. The attached list includes projects at Auburn University and outlying units.

#### Rationale for Recommendation:

Consistent with the request of the Board of Trustees for a current status report of new construction/renovation/infrastructure projects with budgets greater than \$1,000,000, the attached listing is provided, *for information only*, to the Board through the Property and Facilities Committee for inclusion on the agenda of the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

Project Name SUBSTANTIAL	Project Phase	Original Approved Budget Amount	(A)  Current Approved Budget Amount	AU Funding (includes gifts/grants)	AU Bond Funding	Federal/ State or Local Funding	(B)  Actual Spending to Date (across multiple years)	Estimated Cash Flow Assuming Remainder of Budget for FY2015	Estimated Cash Flow Assuming Remainder of Budget for FY2016 & Forward	(C)  Current Encum- brances Against Project	(A)-(B)-( C)  Current Open Balance (Budget less Actuals and Encum- brances)
COMPLETION PHASE											
Samford Park At Toomer's Corner - Landscape Redevelopment 13-109	Completed	900,000	900,000	900,000			898,928	0	0	0	1,072 *
Student Recreation &  Wellness Center Building (07- 225)	Substantial Completion	72,000,000	72,000,000	5,000,000	67,000,000		70,964,366	50,000	985,634	591,433	444,201
Small Animal Teaching Hospital (09-083.1 Ph I, 09-083 Ph II)	Substantial Completion	70,000,000	74,000,000	30,000,000	34,000,000	10,000,000	73,182,346	200,000	617,654	685,310	132,344
South Donahue Residence Hall, Dinning, Biggio Parking Facility 10-217	Substantial Completion	73,600,000	75,200,000	6,600,000	68,600,000		73,586,673	160,000	1,453,327	519,954	1,093,373
Lowder Hall - East Courtyard, New Student Lounge (12-013)	Substantial Completion	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000			1,278,029	40,000	81,971	27,543	94,428
East Glenn Administrative Support Facility - Comprehensive Renovation 13-150	Substantial Completion	3,750,000	3,750,000	3,750,000			3,669,275	0	80,725	67,041	13,684
Foy Hall - Convert Loading Dock Area Into A New Dining Facility 13-180	Substantial Completion	1,600,000	2,200,000	2,200,000			1,932,324	0	267,676	83,863	183,813
Woodfield Drive - Roadway Extension To New VCOM Site & Other Site Improvements 14- 052	Substantial Completion	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000			1,268,612	26,278	105,110	52,682	78,706

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Project Name	Phase	Amount	Amount	gifts/grants)	Funding	Funding	years)	FY2015	Forward	Project	brances)
Samford Park Redevelopment: Phase II 14- 257	Substantial Completion	900,000	900,000	900,000			673,365	215,303	11,332	118,366	108,269
Total Substantial Completion			231,750,000	52,150,000	169,600,000	10,000,000	227,453,918	691,581	3,603,429	2,146,192	2,149,890

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CONSTRUCTION PHASE							1				and the same of th
Pebble Hill Renovation 06-176	Construction	2,500,000	2,750,000	2,750,000			1,635,294	500,000	614,706	440,756	673,950
Cater Hall Repair & Renovation 14-220	Construction	900,000	900,000	900,000			203,825	300,000	396,175	589,663	106,512
Facilities Mgmt Complex - New Facility For Waste Reduction, Mail Services & Service Support 13-194	Construction	823,000	823,000	823,000			288,286	454,507	80,207	456,920	77,794
Jordan-Hare Stadium - South Side, Provide A New Score & Video Board System 14-286	Construction	13,900,000	13,900,000	13,900,000			10,700,437	2,699,563	500,000	2,789,802	409,761
Martin Hall - 1st Floor, Renovations & New ADA Ramp For The Freshman Advising Ctr 14-302	Construction	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000			683,678	413,058	103,264	290,559	225,763
Total Construction			19,573,000	19,573,000	0	0	13,511,520	4,367,128	1,694,352	4,567,700	1,493,780

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DESIGN PHASE											
Ag Heritage Park	Construction	2,666,320	2,666,320	2,666,320			1,427,581	0	1,238,739	0	1,238,739
98-333	and Design Future Projects										
Hill Residence Halls - Building		15,859,848	15,859,848	13,373,258	2,486,590		1,554,438	100,000	14,205,410	1,800,927	12,504,483
Renovations & Upgrades 10-	(Partial budget - Phase I only at	-								1	
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Mell Classroom Building 11- 209	Design	25,000,000	33,000,000	33,000,000			2,244,660	200,000	30,555,340	571,287	30,184,053
209											
Jordan-Hare Stadium	Design	100,000	3,116,942	3,116,942			305,978	100,000	2,710,964	2,353,238	457,726
Improvements 15-056											
Total Design			54,643,110	52,156,520	2,486,590	0	5,532,657	400,000	48,710,453	4,725,452	44,385,001

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PLANNING											
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Student Activities Center -	Schematic	150,000	150,000	150,000			96,166	0	53,834	20,818	33,016
Comprehensive Renovation	Design (Partial									1 1	
13-110	budget only at									1	
	this point)										
Band Rehearsal Hall Facility	Schematic	230,000	230,000	230,000			228,528	0	1,472	207	1,265
(phase II) 09-183	Design (Partial										
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Athletics Sports Medicine	Schematic	75,000	75,000		75,000		11	0	74,989	50,000	24,989
Facility - New Building &	Design (Partial										
Relocation from BEMC 12-132	budget only at										
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AU Regional Airport - Aviation	Schematic	120,355	120,355	120,355			79,702	0	40,653	10,300	30,353
Education Facility 13-285	Design (Partial										~
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Graduate Business Education	Schematic	650,000	650,000	650,000	0	0	141,462	0	508,538	181	508,357
Bldg 14-044	Design (Partial									1 1	
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Auburn Arena Volleyball	Planning	67,500	67,500	67,500			14,507	0	52,993	17,795	35,198
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AU Regional Airport T-Hangar	point) Planning	2 000 000	2 000 000	2,000,000				50.555	4.050.005		
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School of Nursing Facility 15-	Planning/Sche	1,284,642	1,284,642	1,284,642			68,646	400,000	815,996	871,084	244.040
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Gavin Engineering Research	Planning/Sche	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000			412	400,000	849,588	757,860	491,728
Laboratory - Comprehensive	matic Design	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,230,000			412	400,000	049,508	/57,000	491,728
Renovations 14-308	(Partial budget								18		
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Project Name Broun Hall Building Wide Renovation 15-068	Project Phase Planning/Sche matic Design (Partial budget only at this	Original Approved Budget Amount 50,000	(A)  Current Approved Budget Amount 50,000	AU Funding (includes gifts/grants) 50,000	AU Bond Funding	Federal/ State or Local Funding	(B)  Actual Spending to Date (across multiple years)  35,321	Estimated Cash Flow Assuming Remainder of Budget for FY2015	Estimated Cash Flow Assuming Remainder of Budget for FY2016 & Forward	Current Encum- brances Against Project	(A)-(B)-( C)  Current Open Balance (Budget less Actuals and Encum- brances)
Garden of Memory - Student Memorial 14-336	Planning/Sche matic Design (Partial budget only at this	110,000	110,000	110,000			11,508	30,000	68,492	69,927	28,565
Total Planning			5,987,497	5,912,497	75,000	0	676,263	880,000	4,431,234	1,800,172	3,511,062

### Auburn University Facilities Management **Current Capital Projects**

## ESTIMATED CASHFLOW MATRIX and ACTUAL SPENDING and ENCUMBRANCE ACTIVITY

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Project Name	Phase	Amount	Amount	gifts/grants)	Funding	Funding	years)	FY2015	Forward	Project	brances)
ther Open Capital Projects	Various Stages		52,092,653	49,888,031	1,902,120	302,502	18,265,346	6,800,000	27,027,307	6,809,709	27,017,5
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GRAND TOTAL	364,046,260	179,680,048	174,063,710	10,302,502	265,439,704	13,138,709	85,466,775	20,049,225	78,557,331 *
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<sup>\*</sup> On the lines with the asterisks, the sum of the spending column and both cash flow columns does not equal the current approved budget figure. The reason relates to one project that was completed under budget: (1) "Samford Park At Toomer's Corner - Landscape Redevelopment" project under budget by \$1,072.



MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH:

DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

FROM:

DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

SUBJECT:

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

QUARTERLY REPORT FOR PROJECTS COSTING MORE THAN \$500,000 BUT LESS THAN \$1,000,000 – 3<sup>rd</sup> QTR FISCAL YEAR 2015

(For Information Only)

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 8, 2015** 

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda of the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### Proposal:

The Board of Trustees, at its meeting on April 11, 2014, adopted a resolution stipulating that all projects with a total cost in the range of \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 be reported quarterly. The intent of this report is to keep the Property and Facilities Committee informed of those projects as they are occurring on campus. Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that this report be submitted for information only.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

Projects initiated in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter of Fiscal Year 2015 and costing more than \$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000 are listed in the following table.

3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter FY 2015 Projects \$500,000 - \$1,000,000	Project Number	Account Number	Cost
*** NONE TO REPORT ***			

#### Rationale for Recommendation:

Consistent with standing policy, this report is submitted to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for information at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.



#### FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO:

JAY GOGUE, President

THROUGH:

DONALD L. LARGE, Executive Vice President

FROM:

DAN KING, Associate Vice President for Facilities

**SUBJECT:** 

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

PROJECT STATUS REPORT

DATE:

**SEPTEMBER 8, 2015** 

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 25, 2015.

#### Proposal:

In response to informal inquiries with regard to particular projects in progress or envisaged, it is proposed that a brief report regarding the status of Board of Trustees approved projects be submitted, *for information only*, to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

The responsibility of the Board of Trustees extends to the oversight of funding, planning, design, construction, maintenance and operation of University buildings and facilities. The date of project establishment in the development process is often separated by years from the date of dedication. Although the process is prolonged, Board interest remains enthusiastic throughout. This Project Status Report is intended to inform interested parties of the status of projects previously approved by the Board of Trustees.

#### **Rationale for Recommendation:**

The desire to be responsive to inquiries regarding specific capital projects and the process from conception to completion has prompted the development of a Project Status Report. The current memo is provided, *for information only*, to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for inclusion on the agenda of the meeting scheduled for June 5, 2015.

#### PROJECT/PHASE

## **Projects in Planning Stage:**

• Equine Sciences – New Facilities Phase I

Band Rehearsal Hall Phase 2

• Engineering Achievement Center

• Performing Arts Center

• Campus Utility Expansion

#### **Projects in Design Stage:**

Pharmaceutical Research Laboratory

• Renovations to the Hill and CDV Residence Halls

• Relocation of Sports Medicine and Other Team Functions from the Coliseum

• Aviation Education Facility

• Graduate Business Education Building

Gavin Engineering Research Lab Renovation

• Food Animal Research Facility

School of Nursing Facility

Academic Classroom & Laboratory Complex

• Arena Volleyball Team Space Improvements

Jordan-Hare Stadium Improvements

• Broun Hall Renovation

Repairs and Renovations to President's Home

• Cater Hall Repairs & Renovation Phase II

• The Auburn Memorial

#### **Schematic Design Approved:**

Mell Classroom Building

AUM Residence Hall

• Airport T Hangars

#### **Projects in Construction Stage:**

Recycling and Service Support Facility

• Pebble Hill Renovation & Addition

• Cater Hall Repairs & Renovation: Phase I

#### **Substantially Complete:**

Jordan-Hare Stadium Videoboard

• Samford Park Redevelopment: Phase II

Mary Martin Hall Exploratory Advising Center

#### **STATUS**

On hold pending funding

On hold pending funding

Initiated June 2015

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# Initiation Approved

Initiated June 2007

Initiated June 2010

Initiated February 2012

On hold pending funding

Initiated February 2014

Initiated November 2014

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Initiated June 2015

#### **Schematic Design Approved**

Approved September 2014

Approved June 2015

Approved June 2015

Approved June 2014

Approved November 2014

Approved April 2015

Approved February 2015

Approved February 2015

Approved June 2015

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION

#### 2015-2016 BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University as follows:

Section 1. The operating budget for Auburn University covering current operating funds and auxiliary funds for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2015, and ending September 30, 2016, as presented by the President and approved by the Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees, be, and the same is hereby approved.

Section 2. Nothing in said budget shall be accepted or construed to be legal obligations or liabilities against Auburn University. The amounts fixed in the components of the budget for the year 2015-2016 shall be understood to be the relative amounts to be paid or expended for those components in relationship to the funds and/or income of the University available for the support and maintenance of the University

Section 3. The proposed expenditure amounts as set out in the budget are hereby approved and adopted and the President is authorized and empowered to enact such budget on October 1, 2015. The President is further authorized and empowered to effect routine adjustments to this budget as deemed necessary and appropriate.

Section 4. The Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees is requested and authorized to approve material adjustments in this budget as may be determined necessary and presented by the President.

Section 5. In order to manage the University's opportunities to refinance its outstanding General Fee Revenue Bonds and thereby reduce the University's overall debt service obligations as and when possible, the Authorization attached as Exhibit A is hereby approved and adopted as if set forth in full in this resolution.

### EXHIBIT A

# AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS OF AUBURN UNIVERSITY

WHEREAS, it is desirable and appropriate for Auburn University (the "University") to issue its General Fee Revenue Bonds from time to time for the purpose of refunding and paying certain of its prior outstanding bonds and thereby achieving an overall interest rate expense savings to the University; and

WHEREAS, in order to manage the University's refunding opportunities in the most efficient manner possible and to permit the University to take advantage of changing market conditions, it is desirable and appropriate to authorize the officers of the University to arrange for the issuance of refunding bonds without further approval of the Board of Trustees, subject to the limitations expressed in this authorization.

**THEREFORE**, by virtue of the Resolution to which this Authorization is attached, the Board of Trustees hereby and thereby authorizes the following:

# **Section 1. Findings.** The following bonds of the University are currently outstanding:

- (i) General Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2006-A, dated November 1, 2006 and not previously refunded, issued under the Eleventh Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of November 1, 2006;
- (ii) General Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2007-A dated November 1, 2007 and not previously refunded, issued under the Twelfth Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of December 1, 2007;
- (iii) General Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2008, dated September 1, 2008 and not previously refunded, issued under the Thirteenth Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of September 1, 2008;
- (iv) General Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2009, dated December 29, 2009, issued under the Fourteenth Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of December 1, 2009;
- (v) General Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2011-A, dated May 1, 2011, issued under the Fifteenth Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of May 1, 2011;
- (vi) General Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2012-A and Series 2012-B (Taxable), dated March 27, 2012, issued under the Sixteenth Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of March 1, 2012;

- (vii) General Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2014-A, dated July 1, 2014, issued under the Seventeenth Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of July 1, 2014;
- (viii) General Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2015-A, dated March 18, 2015, issued under the Eighteenth Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of March 1, 2015;
- (ix) Athletic Revenue Bonds, Series 2001-A, dated December 1, 2001; and
- (x) Dormitory Revenue Bonds, Series 1978.

The bonds described in (i) - (x) above are herein referred to as the "Outstanding Bonds."

Section 2. Authorization of Bonds. The University is hereby authorized to issue its revenue bonds for the purpose of refunding any or all of the Outstanding Bonds. The said bonds shall be issued under the terms, conditions and provisions set out in the General Fee Revenue Trust Indenture dated as of June 1, 1985 between the University and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as successor trustee (herein called the "Trustee"), as heretofore supplemented, and as further supplemented by the Supplemental General Fee Revenue Indentures (the "Supplemental General Fee Indentures") provided for in Section 6 of this authorization (the original General Fee Revenue Trust Indenture, as so supplemented being herein referred to as the "General Fee Revenue Indenture"). The bonds herein authorized (the "Bonds") may be issued at such time or times and in such series as may be most advantageous to the University, subject to the provisions of Section 12 of this authorization. The Outstanding Bonds to be refunded by the Bonds are hereinafter referred to as the "Refunded Bonds."

All the provisions of the General Fee Revenue Indenture, as applicable to the Bonds, are hereby adopted as a part of this authorization as if set out at length herein.

Section 3. Bonds to be Issued as Additional Parity Bonds; Special Findings. The Bonds shall be issued as additional parity bonds under Article VIII of the General Fee Revenue Indenture.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 8.2(b) of the General Fee Revenue Indenture, the Board hereby finds and declares as follows:

- (a) The University is not now in default under the General Fee Revenue Indenture and no such default is imminent.
- (b) Bonds the interest on which is excludable from gross income for purposes of federal income taxation shall be designated "General Fee Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series \_\_\_\_". If it is necessary and appropriate to issue a portion of the Bonds as bonds the interest on which is taxable for purposes of federal income taxation, such bonds shall be designated "General Fee Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series \_\_\_\_ (Taxable)". The series designation shall be

completed to reflect the calendar year in which the Bonds are issued and to provide any further identification of the Bonds as is appropriate.

- (c) The persons to whom the Bonds are to be delivered are set forth in Sections 7 and 9 hereof.
- (d) All of the Bonds are to be issued by sale in accordance with Section 7 hereof.
- (e) The sale price of the Bonds shall be as set forth in Sections 7 and 12 hereof.
- (f) The only parity bonds that have previously been issued by the University under the General Fee Revenue Indenture and that are currently outstanding are those bonds listed in (i) (viii) of Section 1 above.
- (g) The Refunded Bonds are to be refunded from proceeds of the Bonds, subject to the determinations and conditions set forth in Sections 11 and 12 hereof.

The Trustee is hereby requested to authenticate and deliver the Bonds to the purchaser specified in Section 7 hereof upon payment of the purchase price designated therein.

Section 4. Source of Payment of the Bonds. The principal of and the interest on the Bonds shall be payable from (i) the gross revenues from those general tuition fees levied against students at the Auburn, Alabama campus and the Montgomery, Alabama campus of the University that are more particularly described and referred to as "General Fees" in the General Fee Indenture; (ii) the gross revenues derived by the University from the operation of its housing and dining facilities located on the Auburn campus and on the Montgomery campus that are more particularly described and referred to as "Housing and Dining Revenues" in the General Fee Indenture; (iii) the gross revenues derived by the University from the operation of its athletics programs that are more particularly described and referred to as "Athletic Fee Revenues" in the General Fee Indenture; and (iv) the several student fees levied against students at the Auburn campus and the Montgomery campus that are more particularly described and referred to as the "Pledged Student Fees" in the General Fee Indenture. The said General Fees, Housing and Dining Revenues, Athletic Fee Revenues, and Pledged Student Fees are referred to herein as the "Pledged Revenues."

Nothing contained in this authorization, in the Bonds, in the General Fee Revenue Indenture, or in the supplemental indentures hereinafter authorized shall be deemed to impose any obligations on the University to pay the principal of or the interest on the Bonds except from the Pledged Revenues. Neither the Bonds, nor the pledge or any agreement contained in the General Fee Revenue Indenture, in any supplemental indenture or in this authorization shall be or constitute an obligation of any nature whatsoever of the State of Alabama, and neither the Bonds nor any obligation arising from the aforesaid pledge or agreements shall be payable out of any moneys appropriated to the University by the State of Alabama. The agreements, covenants

or representations contained in this authorization, in the Bonds, in the General Fee Revenue Indenture, and in any supplemental indenture do not and shall never constitute or give rise to any personal or pecuniary liability or charge against the general credit of the University, and in the event of a breach of any such agreement, covenant or representation, no personal or pecuniary liability or charge payable directly or indirectly from the general revenues of the University shall arise therefrom. Nothing contained in this section shall, however, relieve the University from the observance and performance of the several covenants and agreements on its part herein contained.

Section 5. Bonds Payable at Par. All remittances of principal of and interest on the Bonds to the holders thereof shall be made at par without any deduction for exchange or other costs, fees or expenses. The bank or banks at which the Bonds shall at any time be payable shall be considered by acceptance of their duties hereunder to have agreed that they will make or cause to be made remittances of principal of and interest on the Bonds, out of the moneys provided for that purpose, in bankable funds at par without any deduction for exchange or other cost, fees or expenses. The University will pay to such bank or banks all reasonable charges made and expenses incurred by them in making such remittances in bankable funds at par.

**Section 6.** Authorization of Supplemental Indentures. The Board does hereby authorize and direct the President of the University to approve, execute and deliver, for and in the name and behalf of the University, to the Trustee, a Supplemental General Fee Revenue Indenture with respect to each series of the Bonds, and does hereby authorize and direct the Secretary of the Board to affix the official seal of the University to said Supplemental General Fee Revenue Indenture and to attest the same.

**Section 7.** Sale of the Bonds. The Board does hereby authorize and direct the President of the University to approve, execute and deliver, for and in the name and behalf of the University, one or more Bond Purchase Agreements with respect to each series of Bonds between the University and an underwriter or underwriters (the "Underwriter") approved under Section 12 of this authorization,

Section 8. Authorization of Official Statements. The Board does hereby authorize and direct the Underwriter to prepare and distribute, for and in the name and on behalf of the University, a Preliminary Official Statement and a final Official Statement with respect to each series of Bonds issued under this authorization. The Board does hereby further authorize and direct the President or the Executive Vice President of the University to execute and deliver, for and on behalf of the University, such final Official Statement(s) and does hereby declare that the Official Statement(s) so executed by the President or the Executive Vice President of the University shall be the Official Statement(s) of the University with respect to the Bonds covered by such Official Statement(s).

Section 9. Execution and Delivery of Bonds. The Board does hereby authorize and direct the President of the University to execute the Bonds, in the name and on behalf of the University, by causing his signature or a facsimile thereof to be placed or imprinted on the Bonds, and does hereby authorize and direct the Secretary of the Board to cause a facsimile of the official seal of the University to be imprinted on the Bonds and to attest the same by causing

his signature or a facsimile thereof to be placed or imprinted on the Bonds, all in the manner provided in the General Fee Revenue Indenture. The President of the University is hereby further authorized and directed to deliver the Bonds, subsequent to their execution as provided herein to the Trustee, and to direct the Trustee to authenticate all the Bonds and to deliver them to the Underwriter, upon payment to the University of the purchase price therefor in accordance with the provisions of Sections 7 and 12 hereof.

**Section 10. Application of Proceeds**. The entire proceeds derived by the University from the sale of the Bonds shall be paid to the Trustee under the General Fee Revenue Indenture. The Trustee is thereupon authorized and directed to apply and disburse such moneys for the purposes and in the order specified in the Supplemental General Fee Indentures.

Section 11. Redemption of Refunded Bonds; Authorization of Escrow Trust Agreement. Any series of Outstanding Bonds to be refunded by the Bonds or any series of the Bonds shall be called for redemption on the first date permitted for the call and redemption of such Outstanding Bonds subsequent to the date of issuance of the Bonds, at and for a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of each bond so redeemed, plus accrued interest. The President and the Executive Vice President of the University are separately authorized to direct the Trustee to mail and/or publish notice of such redemption as required under the terms of the General Fee Revenue Indenture. Any such redemption notice mailed or published prior to the date of issuance of the Bonds shall provide that the call of the affected Refunded Bonds for redemption is contingent upon the issuance and sale of the Bonds.

Pursuant to Section 6.1(a) of the General Fee Revenue Indenture, the Board hereby confirms that the University is not in default under said indenture.

The President of the University is hereby authorized to approve, execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of the University an Escrow Trust Agreement or Agreements, between the University and the Trustee, if necessary or desirable, with respect to each series of Refunded Bonds to provide for the escrow and investment of proceeds of the Bonds until the redemption date of the Refunded Bonds.

Section 12. Authorization to Approve Certain Matters. The Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the University to authorize the issuance of the Bonds for the purposes described in this authorization and subject to the limitations of this authorization without a further meeting or approval of the Board. Dr. Donald Large, the Executive Vice President of the University and the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board are hereby authorized:

- (a) to determine when and if any Bonds shall be issued and to approve the schedule of issuance for each series of Bonds; provided that no Bonds shall be issued under the authority of this authorization after December 31, 2016;
- (b) to approve the principal amount of the Bonds to be issued in each series and the designation of the Bonds as tax-exempt or taxable Bonds; provided that the aggregate principal amount of each series of Bonds shall not exceed the

amount necessary to pay the principal and interest on the Refunded Bonds (taking into account any original issue premium or discount) and the costs of issuing the Bonds;

- (c) to determine which of the Refunded Bonds are to be refunded and redeemed by the Bonds; provided that any such refunding shall result in a minimum net present value savings of at least 3%;
- (d) to approve the forms of Supplemental General Fee Indenture(s), Bond Purchase Contract(s), Preliminary Official Statement(s), Official Statement(s) and Escrow Agreement(s) to be delivered in connection with each series of Bonds;
- (e) to approve the final form and pricing details of each series of Bonds, including the interest rates to be borne by such Bonds, the principal maturities thereof and any original issue discount or premium with respect to the Bonds; provided that the net interest cost of any series of Bonds shall not exceed 6%;
  - (f) to approve the expenses of issuing the Bonds; and
- (g) to take such other steps and to execute and approve such other documents as may be necessary or appropriate to cause the Bonds to be issued, sold and delivered consistent with the provisions of this authorization and the General Fee Revenue Indenture.

The final approval by the Executive Vice President of the University and the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of the items listed above may be conclusively evidenced by a certificate signed by each of them and delivered at the time of issuance of the Bonds.

- **Section 13. Severability**. The various provisions of this authorization are hereby declared to be severable. If any provision hereof shall be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect any other portion of this authorization.
- **Section 14. Designation of Professionals.** The retention of Public Financial Management, Inc. as financial advisor to the University, and the law firm of Balch & Bingham LLP as bond counsel to the University for the issuance of the Bonds are hereby authorized.
- **Section 15. General Authorization**. The President of the University, the Executive Vice President of the University and the Secretary of the Board are hereby authorized to execute such further certifications or other documents and to take such other action as any of them may deem appropriate or necessary for the consummation of the matters covered by this authorization, to the end that the Bonds may be executed and delivered at the times and on the terms most advantageous to the University.



# August 12, 2015

MEMORANDUM TO: President Jay Gogue

FROM: Donald L. Large, Jr.

SUBJECT: Board of Trustees Agenda Item -

Proposed Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget for Trustee Consideration

Please find enclosed a copy of the proposed Budget for Auburn University, which includes all four divisions with breakdowns by colleges and departments as appropriate. Additional information is included regarding capital projects and proposed spending along with other summary information.

We will be prepared to review the proposed budget in detail if desired by the Finance Committee and will be requesting approval of the proposed budget for implementation effective October 1, 2015.

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Enclosure

c: Mr. Grant Davis

#### ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION

# PROPOSED GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN BUSINESS ANALYTICS

WHEREAS, the Raymond J. Harbert College of Business wishes to provide qualified individuals with the opportunity to acquire additional knowledge and advanced analytical skills to excel in diverse business-related fields by offering a graduate certificate in Business Analytics; and

WHEREAS, the proposed graduate certificate in business analytics would provide professionals with knowledge and expertise in developing predictive modeling and strategies for enhancing data-driven decisions; and

WHEREAS, such a certificate program could be completed either on campus or by distance education, would utilize existing courses within the existing Masters of Science in Information Systems Management program, and would not require any additional resources or faculty; and

WHEREAS, the request to create this graduate certificate has been endorsed by the Dean of the Harbert College of Business, the Graduate Council, the Provost, and the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Auburn University's Board of Trustees that the proposed Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics from the Raymond J. Harbert College of Business be approved, and forwarded to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education as an item of information.



August 24, 2015

MEMORANDUM TO:

Jay Gogue

President

FROM:

Timothy R. Boosinger Telly A. Brayer

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

SUBJECT:

Agenda Item for the Board of Trustees -

Proposed Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics

I am writing to request that the following item be added to the Board of Trustees' agenda for the **September 25, 2015** meeting.

**Proposal:** It is recommended that the Board approve the proposed Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics from the Raymond J. Harbert College of Business.

Review and Consultation: Faculty in the Department of Aviation and Supply Chain Management initiated this 12-hour certificate to provide graduate-level coursework for professionals from various industries, diverse areas of business, and academic backgrounds who are interested in advancing their knowledge of and application of analytics in the business environment. The certificate will emphasize predictive modeling and strategies for enhancing data-driven decisions through descriptive, diagnostic, predictive, and prescriptive approaches. The program will utilize existing on-campus and distance education courses available in the Masters of Science in Information Systems Management program, and will not require any additional faculty or space.

The College of Business anticipates its annual enrollment in the Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics to be approximately 15-20 students annually. If approved, the Graduate Certificate in Intervention for Students with Autism and Developmental Disabilities would become the 34th graduate certificate approved by the Board of Trustees.

**Recommendation:** The proposed Graduate Certificate would enable the Harbert College of Business to offer a relevant plan of study to professionals and graduate students interested in achieving strategic objectives in business industries. The proposal has been reviewed and approved by Auburn University's Graduate Council in spring 2015, and has received the approval of the Dean of the College of Business and the Provost's Office. If approved by the Board of Trustees, this proposed certificate would be forwarded to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education as an item of information.



# RAYMOND J. HARBERT COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

#### DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION & SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

TO:

Timothy Boosinger

Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs

**THROUGH:** George Flowers

Dean of the Graduate School

THROUGH: Bill Hardgrave

Dean, Raymond J.

FROM:

Department Chair, Aviation & Supply Chain Management

DATE:

July 2, 2015

SUBJECT:

Item for the Board of Trustees – Proposed Graduate Certificate

in Business Analytics

We are writing to request that the following item be added to the Board of Trustees' agenda for their next meeting.

**Proposal:** The Raymond J. Harbert College of Business is proposing a Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics.

**Review and Consultation:** The Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics is being proposed as a means of extending Auburn University's educational outreach to students who are unable to manage the time or finances necessary to obtain a full degree, students in other Auburn programs who wish to add to their expertise, or those whose career options require additional education in this emerging field. The intended audience is composed particularly of those students wishing to study toward certifications offered in the business analytics area. Additionally, students who complete the certification program will be able to move up within their current career or move into other positions with their new skills. This certificate program fills a gap between undergraduate and graduate education that is currently under-served.

The certificate requires 12 credit hours of course work (4 course) in business analytics, currently offered in the Department of Aviation & Supply Chain Management.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the proposed Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics be approved and forwarded to the Auburn University Board of TPastee85/br00 view and approval.

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#### **Graduate Certificate Program**

**Certificate Title:** 

**Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics** 

CIP Code:

52.1301

Offering Unit:

Raymond J. Harbert College of Business

**Credit Hours in Certificate:** 

12

**On-Campus Approval:** 

Spring 2015

**Board of Trustees Approval:** 

Fall 2015 (projected)

**ACHE Notification:** 

Spring 2016 (projected)

**Effective Term:** 

Summer 2016

#### **Program Outline:**

Required Courses	Credits	Approval Term
BUAL 6600/6: Predictive Modeling I	3	Spring 2012
BUAL 6610/6: Predictive Modeling II	3	Spring 2012
BUAL 6650/6: Big Data I	3	Spring 2012
BUAL 6660/6: Big Data II	3	Spring 2012

**Electives** 

None
Note:

**Program-Specific Courses:** 

None

**Related Programs:** 

MS in Information Systems

BSBA with a major in Business Analytics

**Additional Information:** 

The department offers these courses in the context of the Master's of Science in Information Systems (MSIS) program. All courses and resources are in place to manage this program. The certificate program is designed to offer additional education to those students who are unable to manage the time or finances necessary to obtain a full degree, students in other Auburn programs who wish to add to their expertise, or those whose career options simply require a little extra training. The target audience is composed particularly of those students wishing to study toward industry certifications offered in the business analytics area. In addition, it is anticipated that students who complete the certification program will be able to move up within their current career or move into other positions with their new skills. This intermediate area between undergraduate and graduate education is underserved and will be well served by the addition of this certificate program.

MBA students only may substitute BUSI 7120/6 for BUAL 6600/6.

#### ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION

# PROPOSED CHANGE IN FEDERAL CLASSIFICATION CODES FOR GRADUATE PROGRAMS IN BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES IN THE COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Education maintains the Classification of Instructional Programs as a taxonomy to support the accurate tracking, assessment, and reporting of fields of study and the Alabama Commission on Higher Education uses this classification to structure its Inventory of Instructional Programs; and

WHEREAS, Auburn University's M.S. and Ph.D. programs in Biomedical Sciences, offered through the College of Veterinary Medicine, are currently classified in that taxonomy as belonging to the narrow field Veterinary Sciences/Veterinary Clinical Sciences, General; and

WHEREAS, the classification of these graduate programs as being principally veterinary in focus fails to capture the breadth of life and biomedical disciplines encompassed by Auburn's graduate programs in Biomedical Sciences and also makes international graduate students in these programs ineligible to apply for visas reserved for those entering fields in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM-approved fields); and

WHEREAS, the federal taxonomy includes the field Biomedical Sciences, General, which more accurately describes the scope of Auburn's graduate programs in Biomedical Sciences and which is a STEM-approved field; and

WHEREAS, the College of Veterinary Medicine has requested that the M.S. and Ph.D. programs in Biomedical Sciences be reclassified as belonging to the field Biomedical Sciences, General (CIP 26.0102) and this request has received the approval of the Graduate Council, the Provost, and the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Auburn University's Board of Trustees that the proposed reclassification of these two graduate programs in Biomedical Sciences the College of Veterinary Medicine here described be approved, with the proposed reclassification of the M.S. program being forwarded to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education as an item of information and the proposed reclassification of the Ph.D. program being forwarded for review and approval.



August 23, 2015

**MEMORANDUM TO:** 

Jay Gogue

President

FROM:

Timothy R. Boosinger Zuin A. Brange Provost and Vice President for Academic Af

SUBJECT:

Agenda Item for the Board of Trustees –

Proposed Change in Classification of Instructional Program (CIP) for the

College of Veterinary Medicine

I am writing to request that the following item be added to the Board of Trustees' agenda for the September 25, 2015 meeting.

**Proposal**: It is recommended that the Board approve the proposed change of the Classification of Instructional Program (CIP) for the graduate degree programs in Biomedical Sciences in the College of Veterinary Medicine from 51.2501 (Veterinary Sciences/Veterinary Clinical Sciences, General) to 26.0102 (Biomedical Sciences).

**Review and Consultation**: The College of Veterinary Medicine initiated this proposal in an effort to transition the current Biomedical Sciences degree program to a CIP code that better reflects the breadth of disciplines studied within the program. While the graduate program in Biomedical Sciences is housed in the College of Veterinary Medicine, the curricular emphasis of the program extends beyond traditional veterinary sciences, and should be classified in a CIP that reflects the program's areas of study. Transitioning the program to the proposed CIP will also allow international students to pursue graduate coursework in Biomedical Sciences by enabling them to secure I-20s that reflect a degree classified as STEM-based.

Recommendation: The proposed change will allow the College of Veterinary Medicine to more accurately promote its Biomedical Sciences degree with greater accuracy. The proposed change in classification for the Biomedical Sciences degree program has received approval from the College of Veterinary Medicine, the Graduate Council, and the Provost's Office. Once approved, the renamings will be forwarded to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) for review and approval.



# COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

Office of Research and Graduate Studies

July 28, 2015

To:

Dr. Timothy Boosinger, Provost
Office of the Provost
Auburn University

Dr. George Flowers, Dean
Graduate School
Auburn University

Via:

Dr. Calvin Johnson, Dean Auburn University College of Veterinary Medicine

From: Dr. Frank Barto

Associate Dean, Research & Graduate Studies Auburn University College of Veterinary Medicine

Re: Proposed change in Classification of Instructional Program (CIP) Code

It has recently come to the attention of the Auburn University College of Veterinary Medicine (AU-CVM) that the CIP code(s) currently applied to the AU-CVM Biomedical Sciences (VBMS) graduate program is/are inappropriate. Problematically, CIP code 51.2501 (Veterinary Sciences/Veterinary Clinical Sciences, General), into which our graduate students are currently placed, is not a STEM-approved category. By consequence, international students are unable to take advantage of all visa options that might otherwise be available to them when assigned to a STEM-approved CIP category as recorded on their I-20 (visa) form. This situation places our international graduate students, in particular, at a distinct disadvantage professionally as they compete for jobs and transition into the workforce within the U.S.

For over a decade the AU-CVM has supported a single graduate program structure (Biomedical Sciences). Modern graduate education and training experiences offered through the Biomedical Sciences program at the AU-CVM encompass a breadth of life and biomedical science disciplines that extend well beyond the realm of 'veterinary-specific' domains, and embrace the 'one science, one-health' philosophy. The CIP code designation should reflect this accurately.

It is therefore proposed that the CIP code designation for the AU-CVM Biomedical Sciences graduate program be changed to 26.0102 (Biomedical Sciences, General). This CIP category is the most accurate descriptor of the program and is STEM-approved.

Thank you for your consideration of and assistance with facilitating this request.

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# ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND AUBURN MONTGOMERY COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION

#### PROPOSED UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN MUSEUM STUDIES

WHEREAS, the AUM College of Arts and Sciences wishes to provide students with the opportunity to gain an understanding of the operations of museums; and

WHEREAS, such knowledge will particularly benefit students in art, history, and anthropology, who often go on to employment in museums and similar institutions; and

WHEREAS, for such students a Certificate in Museum Studies can serve as a professional credential for work in museums; and

WHEREAS, such a certificate program will draw on courses currently in AUM's catalog and will not require additional resources or faculty; and

WHEREAS, the request to create this undergraduate certificate has been endorsed by the University Curriculum Committee, the Deans of AUM's College of Arts and Sciences and College of Public Policy and Justice, the Provost, and Chancellor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Auburn University's Board of Trustees that the proposed undergraduate Certificate in Museum Studies from the College of Arts and Sciences be approved and reported to the Alabama Commission of Higher Education as an information item.



#### OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

7 August 2015

To: Dr. Jay Gogue

President

From: John G. Veres III

Chancellor

Subject: Proposed Board Agenda Item

Certificate in Museum Studies

Please consider including this proposal on the agenda of the September 25, 2015, meeting of the Board of Trustees.

#### Proposal:

The Alabama Museums Association lists approximately 150 museums in Alabama with twenty-six located in our district, which includes Auburn, Enterprise, Georgiana, Marbury, Montgomery, Prattville, Troy, Tuskegee, and Wetumpka. Despite the abundance of museums and cultural institutions at both the local and state-level, none of the state's colleges or universities offers a museum studies certificate program. The nearest schools with museum studies programs are Florida State University, Middle Tennessee State University, the University of New Orleans, and the University of Memphis. Such a certificate would provide students, particularly in art, history, and anthropology, a leg up in careers in museums.

The program draws on courses in the College of Arts and Sciences and in the College of Public Policy and Justice. The program will be administered by the College of Arts and Sciences.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

The proposed certificate was endorsed by the Committee for Museum Studies, the University Curriculum Committee, the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, the Dean of the College of Public Policy and Justice, and by the Provost.

The program draws entirely on courses currently offered by AUM and no additional resources will be required.

#### **Rationale for Recommendation:**

The proposed Certificate in Museum Studies will provide students in areas such as art, history, and anthropology a broader background in applying for employment in museums. Therefore, it is proposed that the Board consider a resolution adopting the Certificate Program in Museum Studies.

Dr King and I are available to answer any questions you may have regarding this proposal. Thank you for your kind attention.

# **Undergraduate Certificate Program**

Certificate Title:

Museum Studies

Offering Unit:

School of Liberal Arts, AUM

Credit Hours in Certificate: 17-19 c.h

**On-Campus Approval:** 

Spring 2015

**Board of Trustees Approval:** 

**ACHE Notification:** 

**Effective Term:** 

*Spring 2016* 

**Program Outline:** 

Required Courses (11 hours):

HIST 3940 Historical Methods - WI (4)

VISU 3600 Theory and Method of Museum Studies - WI (4)

VISU 4922 Art Internship (3)

All students must select two courses from the following list (6-8 hours):

- ANTH 2120 Introductory Archaeology
- COMM 2703 Media Writing I, COMM 3800 Public Relations I, or COMM 3900 Documentary Film
- THEA 2130 Stagecraft or THEA3613 Scene Design
- ENGL 3050 Advanced Expository Writing or ENGL 3060 Business and Professional Writing
- HIST 4010 The American South to 1865, HIST 4020 The American South Since 1865, or HIST 4050 History of Alabama
- VISU 4200 Contemporary Art Practices
- Other electives may be approved by the Museum Studies Certificate Coordinator

Program Specific Courses: None

**Related Programs:** 

None

Additional Information:

This program draws on courses that are already in Auburn University at Montgomery's inventory of courses. Undergraduates in a degree program have the option to take these courses a part of

a plan of study to add to that program.

# ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND AUBURN MONTGOMERY COMMITTEE

#### RESOLUTION

# PROPOSED OPTION IN ART HISTORY IN THE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN VISUAL ARTS DEGREE AT AUBURN UNIVERSITY AT MONTGOMERY

WHEREAS, the AUM Bachelor of Arts in Visual Arts degree provides opportunity for students to gain a broad education in art; and

WHEREAS, art history as a field of study is a means for non-practitioners to gain a broad knowledge of art; and

WHEREAS, art history sharpens students' observational, analytic, and writing skills; and

WHEREAS, art history is a point of entry into various careers, particularly at cultural institutions; and

WHEREAS, an option in art history would draw on courses currently taught at AUM; and

WHEREAS, launching the proposed art history option in the Bachelor of Arts in Visual Arts degree would require no additional resources; and

WHEREAS, the proposal to establish an undergraduate option in Art History has been endorsed by the Department of Fine Arts, the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, the AUM Curriculum Committee, the Provost and the Chancellor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Auburn University's Board of Trustees that the proposed undergraduate option in Art History from the College of Arts and Sciences at AUM be approved and reported to the Alabama Commission of Higher Education for review and approval.



#### OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

#### 7 August 2015

To:

Dr. Jay Gogue

President

From:

John G. Veres III

Subject:

Proposed Board Agenda Item

Option in Art History in the Bachelor of Arts in Visual Arts

Please consider including this proposal on the agenda of the September 25, 2015, meeting of the Board of Trustees.

#### Proposal:

Auburn University at Montgomery seeks to provide Visual Art students with the opportunity to engage in the focused study of Art History. AUM therefore proposes an option in Art History in its Bachelor of Arts in Visual Arts program.

We have been from time to time approached by students interested in pursuing a program in Art History. Currently AUM does not offer a curriculum in art history leading to a degree; few Alabama institutions do. We therefore propose an Art History option in our Bachelor of Arts in Visual Arts degree.

The option consists of twenty four hours of study in art history courses proper and of coursework offered by the Department of Fine Arts in AUM's College of Arts and Sciences.

#### **Review and Consultation:**

The proposal has been reviewed by the faculty of the Department of Fine Arts, by the Head of the Department of Fine Arts, by the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, by the AUM Curriculum Committee, and by the Provost.

The option draws entirely on courses currently offered by AUM and thus will require no new resources.

# Rationale for Recommendation:

The proposed option will foster a higher degree of accomplishment in art history among graduates of the Visual Arts program.

Dr. King and I are available to answer any questions you may have regarding this proposal.

Thank you for your kind attention.

## **Undergraduate Program**

**Degree Title:** option in Art History in the Bachelor of Arts in Fine Arts program

Offering Unit: School of Liberal Arts, AUM

Credit Hours in Degree: 121 hours

On-Campus Approval: 2013

**Board of Trustees Approval:** 

**ACHE Notification:** Submission of proposal to ACHE for review and approval to follow Board

approval if obtained

Effective Term: Spring, 2016

## **Program Outline:**

Required Courses (in addition to those University Core Curriculum and Core Studio Art

courses):

none

# **Program Specific Courses:**

VISU 3010, Survey of Non-Western Art

VISU 3020, Italian Renaissance Art

VISU 3030, 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> Century Art

VISU 3040, 19<sup>th</sup> Century Art

VISU 3050, American Art

VISU 3060, Art Since 1945

VISU 3070, Women in Art

VISU 3080, History of Graphic Design

VISU 3090, Medieval Art

VISU 3600, Art Museology

VISU 3960, Readings in Art History

VISU 4100, The Artist in Film & Fiction

VISU 4200, Contemporary Art Practice

VISU 4922, Art Internship

VISU 4972, Special Topics in Visual Arts

## Related Programs: --

#### Additional Information: --

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

#### RESOLUTION

# POSTHUMOUS AWARDING OF THE DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY DEGREE FOR MICHAEL ELLIOTT KERN

WHEREAS, Michael Elliott Kern, a doctoral student in History at Auburn University, passed away on June 16, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Michael Elliott Kern would have completed the requirements necessary for the Doctor of Philosophy degree in History; and

WHEREAS, faculty in the Department of History, the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, the Dean of the Graduate School, the Provost, and the President recommend that the Doctor of Philosophy in History be awarded posthumously.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in History is hereby granted posthumously to Michael Elliott Kern in recognition of his academic achievements as a graduate student at Auburn University.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby expresses its sympathy and condolences to the family of Michael Elliott Kern in this period of sadness and that a copy of this resolution be presented to them so that they will know of this action and the university's deep loss.



September 16, 2015

MEMORANDUM TO:

Jay Gogue

President

FROM:

Timothy R. Boosinger

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

SUBJECT:

Agenda Item for the Board of Trustees -

Posthumous Awarding of the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in

History for Michael Elliott Kern

I have received a request from the Graduate School and the College of Liberal Arts to award posthumously the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in History for Mr. Michael Elliott Kern. Mr. Kern passed away in June 2015 while completing the requirements necessary for his Ph.D. in History. Following a careful review of his academic records, the faculty in the Department of History all concur that, apart from his exemplary academic achievements that included an overall GPA of 4.0, Mr. Kern meets the academic requirements necessary to be awarded a Ph.D. posthumously.

Please find attached a formal request from Dr. George Flowers, Dean of the Graduate School. I am requesting that this item be placed on the Board of Trustees Agenda for September 25, 2015 meeting.



#### GRADUATE SCHOOL

#### MEMORANDUM

To:

Dr. Timothy Boosinger, Provost

FROM:

Dr. George T. Flowers, Dean Graduate School Heavy T. Howar

**SUBJECT:** 

Posthumous Degree for Michael Elliott Kern

DATE:

September 4, 2015

I am requesting that a PhD degree be awarded posthumously to Mr. Michael Kern. Mr. Kern received his Master's degree from George Washington University before coming to Auburn to complete the PhD in the History department. Mr. Kern had completed an additional 27 hours at Auburn in addition to the 36 hours at George Washington. Mr. Kern completed his last semester at Auburn in the fall of 2013 before having to take a medical leave of absence. Michael was an outstanding student in the department and at the time he had to take a LOA he had a grade point average of 4.0. Unfortunately Michael lost his battle with cancer on June 16, 2015.

A few statements of support were provided from the faculty of the Department of History. Dr. Alan Meyer states "Michael represents the kind of student that we should hope to attract and retain: one who is intellectually mature and yet enthusiastically open to new concepts and approaches; someone who is disciplined and self-directed; and someone who clearly demonstrates both a deep-rooted passion and a genuine talent for his or her chosen calling".

Dr. Trimble mentions that Michael had already completed considerable research on what would have been his dissertation, which was an in-depth study of carrier aviation in the Pacific during WWII... "We were surprised that so little has been done on the subject, considering its importance. Mike's focus on 1943 promised to bring into sharp focus this important transitional year."

This request comes with full support from Dr. Tiffany Sippial and Dr. Morris Bian through the Graduate School.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns regarding this request.

Cc:

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# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

# PRESIDENTIAL ASSESSMENT

Time will be allocated for discussion of the Presidential Assessment.