

COMMISSION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

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INFORMATION ITEM B: Capital Improvement Projects on Which Staff Have Acted

In accordance with existing legislation, the Commission is expected to review and make a recommendation to the State Budget Committee for:

- (1) each project to construct buildings or facilities that has a cost greater than \$500,000;
- (2) each project to purchase or lease-purchase land, buildings, or facilities the principal value of which exceeds \$250,000;
- (3) each project to lease, other than lease-purchase, a building or facility, if the annual cost exceeds \$150,000; and
- (4) each repair and rehabilitation project if the cost of the project exceeds (a) \$750,000, if any part of the cost of the project is paid by state appropriated funds or by mandatory student fees assessed all students, and (b) \$1,000,000 if no part of the cost of the project is paid by state appropriated funds or by mandatory student fees assessed all students.

Projects of several types generally are acted upon by the staff and forwarded to the Director of the State Budget Agency with a recommendation of approval; these projects include most allotments of appropriated General Repair and Rehabilitation funds, most projects conducted with non-State funding, most leases, and requests for project cost increase. The Commission is informed of such actions at its next regular meeting. During the previous month, the following projects were recommended by the Commission staff for approval by the State Budget Committee.

I. REPAIR AND REHABILITATION

*E-1-12-1-05 Vincennes University
Administration Building and Governor Hall Renovation
Project Cost: \$1,600,000*

The Trustees of Vincennes University request authority to proceed with the renovation of the Administration Building and Governor Hall at the Vincennes University main campus. The buildings require roof replacement and repairs, in addition to various renovations to make them ADA-compliant. A connector will also be added to allow safer and more convenient travel between the buildings by students, faculty and staff. The estimated cost of the project is \$1,600,000 and will be funded through institutional reserves.

*E-1-12-1-07 Vincennes University
Physical Education Complex Roof Replacement
Project Cost: \$1,200,000*

The Trustees of Vincennes University request authority to proceed with the replacement of the Physical Education Complex Roof at the Vincennes University main campus. The existing roof was built in 1971, replaced in 1994 and has reached the end of its lifecycle. The new roof will improve energy efficiency and prevent further water damage to interior spaces. The estimated cost of the project is \$1,200,000 and will be funded through institutional reserves.

E-1-12-1-06 Vincennes University
Ebner Building Renovation
Project Cost: \$2,000,000

The Trustees of Vincennes University request authority to proceed with the renovation of the Ebner Building at the Vincennes University main campus. The original building was built in 1907 and has had several additions constructed over the last 105 years. The existing HVAC and electrical systems is in need of updating to handle newer technological and instructional needs. The renovation will result in operational savings which will be reinvested in the institution. The estimated cost of the project is \$2,000,000 and will be funded through institutional reserves.

II. NEW CONSTRUCTION

D-1-12-1-01 Ball State University
New Construction of Greenhouse
Project Cost: \$1,000,000

The Trustees of Ball State University request authority to proceed with the construction of a new greenhouse at the Ball State University campus. The original building was built in 1965 (1,787 GSF) which houses the Wheeler Orchid Collection and Species Bank and is utilized by students and faculty in the Biology Department for research and related coursework. The current facility has reached its capacity and the condition of the building can no longer support greenhouse operations. The new greenhouse (3,124 GSF) will provide space for exhibits, dedicated greenhouse space, auxiliary space, offices, etc. The estimated cost of the project is \$1,000,000 and will be funded through gift funds provided specifically for this project.

E-1-12-1-02 Vincennes University
Baseball Field Relocation
Project Cost: \$900,000

The Trustees of Vincennes University request authority to proceed with the relocation of the current baseball field on Vincennes University's main campus. The existing field is in the center of campus which frequently results in broken windows and property damage. The new full-size, collegiate-level field will include a press box, public restrooms, and concessions. In addition, the relocation of the baseball field will create new open space for future development. The estimated cost of the project is \$900,000 and will be funded through endowment gifts.

III. LEASES

None.

IV. LAND ACQUISITION

None.