

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

*B-1-13-2-09 Purdue University West Lafayette
Laboratory Materials Storage Building (LMSB) HVAC System Replacement
Project Cost: \$1,260,000*

The Trustees of Purdue University requests authority to proceed with the replacement of the HVAC system at the LMSB located at the West Lafayette campus. The LMSB is a Purdue operated facility that manages, treats, stores and disposes chemical waste and treated biological waste generated by the Purdue campus. The current HVAC system has passed its useful life and the facility is in need of a new HVAC system. The replacement of the HVAC system will also require a replacement of the entire mechanical system and an upgrade in the electrical service provided to the facility. The HVAC system is critical to the operation of the LMSB due to the type of materials being processed in the facility and the manner in which they must be handled. The estimated cost of the project is \$1,260,000 and will be funded through University Repair and Rehabilitation funds and student fees.

B-1-13-2-10 *Purdue University West Lafayette
Physics Building Classroom 223 Renovation
Project Cost: \$875,000*

The Trustees of Purdue University requests authority to proceed with the renovation of an outdated classroom in the Physics Building at the West Lafayette Campus. The renovation includes replacement of lighting, ceiling, air handling units, deteriorated tiered platforms for student seating; as well as improved handicap accessibility. The overall space will remain the same along with the number of seating but various repairs and upgrades will be made to maintain minimum standards for instructional space. While the renovation is in the Physics building, the space is utilized by other students in various majors. The estimated cost of the project is \$875,000 and will be funded through University Repair and Rehabilitation funds and student fees.

II. NEW CONSTRUCTION

None.

III. LEASES

None.

IV. LAND ACQUISITION

None.