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TO: Dr. Layton McCurdy, Chair, and Members, Commission on Higher Education
FROM: Mr. Daniel Ravenel, Chair, Committee on Finance and Facilities *DR*
SUBJECT: Interim Capital Projects for Consideration on February 1, 2007

The Committee on Finance and Facilities met on January 4 to review the following items:

- 5.04A** Interim Capital Projects
- A.) College of Charleston
 - a. Grice Marine Laboratory – New Construction -establish project
 - B.) University of South Carolina Columbia
 - a. 1600 Hampton Distributed Data Center Renovations -establish project
 - b. Athletic Master Plan - Phase I Development -establish project
- 5.04 B** Lease
- A.) Medical University of South Carolina
 - a. Rutledge Tower Parking Garage -lease renewal
- 5.04C** List of Staff Approvals for November 2006

If you have any questions about a particular item, or if you need additional information, please contact me or Lynn Metcalf at (803) 737-2265.

Description of Interim Capital Projects for Consideration

February 1, 2007

College of Charleston

Grice Marine Laboratory – New Construction	\$6,000,000	-establish project
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Source of Funds:	\$4,000,000	-appropriated State funds*
	1,550,000	-excess debt service
	450,000	-college fees

Proposed Budget:	\$5,034,862	-new construction (16,000 SF)
	535,000	-furniture, fixtures, equipment, & archeological reclamation
	365,028	-professional services fees
	<u>65,110</u>	-contingency
Total:	\$6,000,000	

Description

The College requests approval to construct approximately 16,000 square feet of space to support the marine biology and environmental studies programs at the College's Grice Marine Laboratory on James Island. The College utilized a space program report prepared by Stubbs, Muldrow, and Herin in determining the size of the new facility. The cost per square foot is \$315.

The new facility will include a laboratory classroom, a lecture classroom, two meeting rooms, three offices to support the director, the lab manager, and graduate students. The facility will also include 32 beds for students and faculty; a multipurpose room for dining, conferences, and study; a kitchen, and other auxiliary space.

The laboratory has greatly increased its teaching and research activities over the past decade. The facility supports the College's bachelor's and master's Marine Science programs. Doctoral students at MUSC also take courses at Grice. The laboratory is also used for a summer undergraduate research program where students from all over the country study at Grice for a 10-week research experience. The laboratory is also used for several collaborative partnerships.

*Note: The General Assembly appropriated \$4 million in the FY2006-07 appropriations bill specifically for the project.

E&G Deferred Maintenance Reduction:

N/A – New Construction

Annual Operating Costs/Savings:

Maintenance, operation, and utilities will require additional operating costs ranging from \$54,553 to \$109,106 in the three years following project completion. The costs will be absorbed into the existing budget.

Recommendation

The Committee on Finance and Facilities recommends approval of this project as proposed.

University of South Carolina
1600 Hampton Distributed Data
Center Renovation

\$650,000 -establish project

Source of Funds: \$650,000 -institutional funds

Proposed Budget:	\$600,000	-interior building renovations
	30,000	-professional services fees
	<u>20,000</u>	-contingency

Total: \$650,000

Description

The University requests approval to renovate approximately 2,000 square feet on the first floor to construct a redundant data center to house critical computing and enterprise equipment. The project will include the installation of raised flooring, electrical and communication cable trays, new temperature/humidity control, new electrical systems (including generator and UPS system), dry fire suppression system, and new interior finishes.

Currently, the University maintains a single data center. The project will provide a failover for critical systems in the event of an outage. This will reduce the risk of downtime and/or loss of data in the event of a local disaster. It will also provide the capability of equipment upgrades and system maintenance without having to schedule downtime.

E&G Deferred Maintenance Reduction:

The project will not materially affect the facility's deferred maintenance as the purpose is to upgrade the space for current use.

Annual Operating Costs/Savings:

No additional costs are expected as a result of the project.

Recommendation

The Committee on Finance and Facilities recommends approval of this project as proposed.

University of South Carolina Columbia
Athletic Master Plan – Phase I
Development

\$800,000 -establish project

Source of Funds: \$800,000 -athletic funds

Proposed Budget: \$800,000 -professional services fees

Description

The University requests approval to begin architectural and engineering (A&E) design to proceed through design development for the athletics' master plan. The 15-year plan proposes redevelopment of the existing 40-acre site referred to as the "Roost Area," improvements to the Williams-Brice football stadium, and the baseball stadium currently in design.

The implementation of the master plan will provide facilities to allow the University sports to compete at a the highest level, both in the Southeastern Conference and nationally. The redevelopment of the "Roost Area" will allow the consolidation of the athletic programs in one location.

The current estimate to complete the entire master plan is \$194 million which includes the funding previously approved for the baseball stadium. The project will not require an increase in tuition and fees.

E&G Deferred Maintenance Reduction:

N/A – Auxiliary Space

Annual Operating Costs/Savings:

No additional costs are expected as a result of this phase of the project.

Recommendation

The Committee on Finance and Facilities recommends approval of this project as proposed.

Lease for Consideration

February 1, 2007

Medical University of South Carolina

Rutledge Tower Parking Garage

-lease renewal

\$980,000

Description

The University requests approval to renew its lease for the Rutledge Tower Parking Garage which contains 772 parking spaces. The MUSC Foundation owns the garage and leases this property in its entirety to the University Medical Associates (UMA). UMA subleases the facility in its entirety to the University.

The space is needed to provide parking for the University. The monthly rental rate will be \$40,833, resulting in an annual cost of \$490,000. The requested lease term is for two years with a total lease cost of \$980,000. The per-space, per-month cost is \$53.

Recommendation

The Committee on Finance and Facilities recommends approval of this lease provided the rates and terms are approved by the Budget and Control Board.

Information Item

PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS APPROVED BY STAFF									
November 2006				Project #	Institution	Project Name	Action Category	Budget Chg.	Revised Budget
Date Appr.									
11/2/2006				9732	MUSC	College of Dental Medicine Building	increase budget, revise scope	\$ 10,700,000	\$ 51,000,000
11/2/2006				9960	Aiken TC	Building 100/200 Flooring Renovation	increase budget	\$ 120,000	\$ 510,000
11/8/2006				9901	Midlands TC	Beltline Campus Breezeway Renovation/Expansion	increase budget	\$ 100,000	\$ 1,423,000
11/14/2006				9541	USC Aiken	Student Residence Hall	revise scope	\$ -	\$ 16,535,000
11/14/2006				9552	Winthrop	Construction/Land Acquisition	increase budget	\$ 165,000	\$ 565,000
11/14/2006				9553	Winthrop	Kinard Annex Roof Replacement	increase budget	\$ 110,000	\$ 430,000
11/14/2006	New			9539	Winthrop	Alumni Drive Stormwater & Infrastructure Improvements ²	establish project	\$ -	\$ 6,700,000
11/20/2006					Coastal Carolina	Tillman Hall Renovations ²	close project	\$ -	\$ 150,000
11/20/2006	New				Central Carolina TC	Spadoni Park Renovations	establish project	\$ -	\$ 20,000
11/29/2006				6013	USC Columbia	Sumter (Downtown) Preliminary Land Acquisition (Allied Health Project)	increase budget	\$ 7,000	\$ 157,000
11/29/2006	New			9537	USC Aiken	Osborne Provost Suite Renovation	establish project	\$ -	\$ 20,000
						707 Catawba/350 Wayne Street Acquisition ³	increase budget	\$ 120,000	\$ 433,000
						Science Building Roof Repairs			
¹ \$7 million was appropriated by the 2006 General Assembly. The remaining \$3.7 million was approved as it is under 10% of the total budget.									
² The General Assembly appropriated \$6.7 million for the project during the 2006 session.									
³ Part of approved Master Land Acquisition Plan (MLAP)									

2007 Legislative Session. Listing of bills pertaining to higher education. Bills are listed in numeric order

This listing is for informational purposes only. For full text of bills and complete bill history, go to SC's Legislative Information website at www.sclatehouse.net
 Numbering of Senate bills start at 1 and House at 3000. Bills are directly accessible at : http://www.sclatehouse.net/cgi-bin/web_bht0.exe

Bill #	Companion Bill	Broad Topic	Subject	Sponsor (Only Primary & up to 3 additional listed. "and others" signifies other sponsors not listed)	Committee	Action
HOUSE BILLS						
3065		Programs - Teacher Ed Eval	Establishes an evaluation system for teacher preparation programs administered by CHE in consultation with SDE.	Davenport, Batlle	H Educ&PW	01/09 Referred to H Educ&PW
3067	S.130	Eminent Domain	Comprehensive bill regarding Eminent Domain - one provision will remove from public colleges & univ the authority to exercise eminent domain	Coleman	H Judiciary	01/09 Referred to H Judiciary
3096	S.160	Programs - USC Summer	Allows USC Summer to offer four-year degree programs	Weeks	H W&M	01/09 Referred to H W&M
3098		Student Aid - LTA	Students enrolled in and residing in a campus maintained facility may receive LTA in addition to state & federal funds	Sellers, Cobb-Hunter	H W&M	01/09 Referred to H W&M
3099	S.183	Programs - GTC and GED program	Authorizes GED program for GTC and funding for such program	Leach, Haskins, G.R. Smith and Shoopman	H Educ&PW	01/09 Referred to H Educ&PW
3106		Student Aid - Free Tuition Provision	Removes age limitation of 26 for free tuition for veterans' children pursuant to 59-111-20	G.R. Smith	H Educ&PW	01/09 Referred to H Educ&PW
3137		Programs - USC Med School Center	Creates SC child abuse & neglect medical response system at USC School of Medicine	Harrison, J.E. Smith, Haskins, Cobb-Hunter, and others	H Judiciary	01/09 Referred to H Judiciary
3144		Student Aid - Free Tuition Provision	Amends 59-111-41, et seq., to provide free tuition for armed forces & SC national guard members	Jefferson, Cobb-Hunter	H W&M	01/09 Referred to H W&M
3146	S.243	Hydrogen Infrastructure Dev't Fund	Establish Hydrogen Infrastructure Development Fund managed by SCRA in conjunction with SC Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Alliance to develop and promote hydrogen fuel cell technologies and applications in SC. Includes provisions for funding (general funds and qualified tax contributions)	Harrell, W.D. Smith, Chellis, Cooper, and others	H W&M	01/09 Referred to H W&M
3162		Student Aid - SC Teacher Loan Program	Requires establishment of SC Teacher Loan Program Policy Board of Governance to be administered by CHE	Walker, Coffy, Bates, Govan	H Educ&PW	01/09 Referred to H Educ&PW; 1/16 reported out of subcommittee with amendment; 1/30 reported out of full Committee favorably with amendment
3170	S.291	Student Aid - Math & Science Incentive	Provides additional stipend for Palmetto Fellows & LIFE recipients who major in science or math beginning sophomore year	Harrell, Calo, Chellis, Cooper, and others	H W&M	01/09 Referred to H W&M
3229		Coll&Univ - Citadel	Authorizes prayer at the Citadel	Scarborough	H Judiciary	01/11 Referred to H Judiciary
3379		Student Aid - LIFE PF	Amends 59-104-20(f) relating to Palmetto Fellow and 59-149-50(A) LIFE eligibility in regard to calculating gpa and rank for SC resident students who have attended high school out of state.	DC Smith, JR Smith, Perry, Clyburn, Stewart	H W&M	01/30 Referred to H W&M
SENATE BILLS						
7		Student Aid - LIFE Home School Provision	Amends 59-149-50(D) relating to continuing LIFE eligibility requirements to provide that home school students may submit transcript prepared by parent or guardian of home school instruction.	Courson, Hayes, Vaughn, McConnell, and others	S Education	1/9/07 Referred to S Education
21		Other - Indirect Cost Federal Grant Cost Recovery	Increases grant exemption relating to recovery of indirect costs from \$200,000 to \$275,000 to be increased annually by HEPI	Land, Leventis	S Finance	1/9/07 Referred to S Finance
25		Student Aid - Free Tuition Provision	Free tuition for active duty military at public and technical institutions on seat available basis	Ford, Knots	S Education	1/9/07 Referred to S Education