Committee Chairman Thomas Ritter convened the meeting of the Buildings, Grounds and Environment (BGE) Committee at 1:30 p.m. in the Lewis B. Rome Commons Ballroom on the University of Connecticut campus in Storrs, Connecticut.

Trustee Ritter welcomed Jim Bradley back to the University to serve as the new Director of Construction Assurance, which is a statutorily mandated construction oversight position. He detailed Mr. Bradley’s long history with the UCONN 2000 construction program including his role as an independent consultant for the State and later as a University employee.

On a motion by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne and seconded by Trustee Carbray agenda Item #1, Minutes of the Buildings, Grounds and Environment Committee meeting of February 14, 2018 were approved.

Laura Cruickshank, Associate Vice President for University Planning, Design and Construction detailed agenda Item #2, CEPA Post-Scoping Notice, Athletics District Improvements, Storrs, CT including an explanation of the environmental process and the anticipated minimal environmental impact anticipated on the Athletics District Improvements project. On a motion by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne and seconded by Trustee Carbray the item was recommended to the full Board for approval.

Ms. Cruickshank introduced agenda Item #3, LEED Gold Waiver Request, Athletics District Development, Storrs, CT and summarized the challenges in achieving LEED Gold status for the Athletics District Development project. On a motion by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne and seconded by Trustee Gandara the waiver was approved.

Chairman Ritter stated that the Quarterly Report on Construction Performance reported by the Office of Construction Assurance was deferred to the next BGE Committee meeting when Mr. Bradley will report.

Matthew Larson, Director of Procurement Services, updated the committee on agenda Item #4, Operational and Organizational Activities, and Improvements for Capital Project and Contract Administration (CPCA).
Brian Gore, Director of Project and Program Management, informed the committee of the status of Code Correction Projects as contained in agenda Item #5, Construction Management Oversight Committee Quarterly Code Correction Status Report – Code Exception Report and the Quarterly Construction Status Report, for the Period Ending December 31, 2017. He provided updated numbers since the last report date.

Thomas Trutter, UConn Health, Associate Vice President for Campus Planning, Design and Construction, provided a PowerPoint presentation on BioScience Connecticut and UCH Capital Project Updates.

Laura Cruickshank, provided a PowerPoint presentation detailing construction project updates for Storrs based programs, as well as upcoming summer, and fall construction on the main campus.

Trustee Gandara informed the Committee that Ms. Cruickshank had been awarded the Hartford Business Journal’s 2017 Woman in Business award. The committee commended Ms. Cruickshank on this achievement.

There being no additional agenda items the meeting was adjourned at 2:16 p.m. on a motion by Trustee Ritter and seconded by Trustee Carbray.

Respectfully submitted,

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