

**MINUTES  
MEETING OF THE  
BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

University of Connecticut Health Center  
Human Resources Training Room, 16 Munson Road  
Farmington, Connecticut  
April 1, 2015

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Fran Archambault (*via telephone*), Chuck Bunnell, Richard Carbray, Michael Daniels, Andrea Dennis-Lavigne (*via telephone*), Marilda Gandara, *Rebecca Lobo (via telephone)*, and Thomas Ritter (*via telephone*)

STAFF PRESENT: Carolle Andrews, John Biancamano, Thomas Callahan, Debbie Carone, Robert Corbett, Laura Cruickshank, Amy Donahue, Elaine Dumas, David Galloway, Brian Gore, Michael Jednak (*via telephone*), Scott Jordan, George Karsanow, Michael Makuch, Matthew Larson, Diane Marquis, Rich Miller, Richard Orr, Bhupen Patel, Rachel Rubin, Michael Schier, Thomas Trutter, Beverly Wood, and Reka Wrynn

UNIVERSITY SENATE MEMBER PRESENT: Elizabeth Jockusch

Guest: Ray Lebrec, Jacobs

Committee Chairman Thomas Ritter convened the meeting of the Buildings, Grounds and Environment (BGE) Committee at 10:31 a.m. in the Human Resources Training Room at the University of Connecticut Health Center in Farmington, Connecticut.

On a motion by Chairman Carbray, seconded by Trustee Bunnell, agenda *Item #1, Minutes of the Buildings, Grounds and Environment Committee meetings of February 20, 2015 and March 5, 2015* were approved, as circulated.

Richard Orr, General Counsel, updated the committee on the progress of agenda *Item #2, Acquisition of the Nathan Hale Inn*. Chairman Ritter recommended that agenda *Item #3, Update on Hartford Property Acquisition* be tabled to another time.

Beverly Wood, Director of University Planning, provided a PowerPoint presentation on agenda *Item #4, Update on Bergin Prison*.

*Agenda Items#5, UConn/Connecticut Water Company Water Inter Connection Permit Update* and agenda *Item #6 UConn/Mansfield Negotiations Re: Sewer Services Agreement* were presented to the committee by Thomas Callahan, Associate Vice President for Infrastructure Planning & Strategic Project Management.

Thomas Trutter, UConn Health, Associate Vice President for Campus Planning, Design and Construction, provided a brief overview and update in the form of a PowerPoint presentation on the BioScience Connecticut projects. He stated that over 3,400 total workers through January 2015 have come through the site with over 1.4 million hours worked. Approximately 82% of all contracts awarded have been to Connecticut companies and projected awards to minority/women/disadvantaged businesses are at 22.58% exceeding the required 6.25% by 16.25%. He noted that veteran hiring is at 3% on the Hospital Tower project. He presented several photos emphasizing the dramatic transformation of the Health Center. The OCIP program continues to trend below Connecticut averages for lost time rates. Mr. Trutter provided updates on the OCIP program including construction safety risk improvements and provided updates on the Health Center construction program. Mr. Trutter stated that a spending deferral of privately raised funds within the BioScience CT project across all projects of \$58M was needed and of that, \$34 M is the being deferred related to renovations to the existing Hospital space. He detailed programmatic priorities and project management decision making including involvement of senior administrative leadership and the Health Center Board of Directors. Mr. Orr confirmed that there was no time limit on spending of these funds. The statute requires raising of private dollars but does not specify a time limit consequence.

Mr. Ritter asked that Mr. Larson address some recent inquiries about RFPs for Gant and Law School projects. Mr. Larson updated the committee and distributed a document entitled, "Professional Services Requirement Review" for committee review and information. (copy attached to the file copy of the minutes).

Laura Cruickshank, University Master Planner and Chief Architect, provided a brief update in the form of a PowerPoint presentation of the Storrs based construction and renovation projects that are part of the Next Generation Connecticut program. Mr. Jordan informed the committee that Ms. Cruickshank had recently received the honor of being elected to The College of Fellows of The American Institute of Architects. The committee commended Ms. Cruickshank on the receipt of this honor.

Beverly Wood, Director of University Planning, presented a PowerPoint presentation on options being considered for the use of the Bergin Prison located on the Depot Campus. Ms. Cruickshank offered a brief update on the Rec Center, stating that the location and funding of the facility is still under discussion.

Mr. Ritter informed the committee that he and Trustee Carbray had recently met with Barbara O'Connor, Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police, regarding security for the new Hartford campus. There being no additional agenda items the meeting was adjourned at 11:49 a.m. on a motion by Chairman Ritter and seconded by Trustee Carbray.

Respectfully submitted,

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