

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

University of Connecticut
Lewis B. Rome Commons Ballroom
626 Gilbert Road Ext. – Storrs, Connecticut
September 13, 2017

TRUSTEES: Charles Bunnell (*via Telephone*), Richard Carbray, Andrea Dennis-Lavigne (*via Telephone*) and Thomas Ritter

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Francis Archambault

UNIVERSITY SENATE
MEMBER PRESENT: Elizabeth Jockusch

STAFF PRESENT: Carolle Andrews, Debbie Carone, Cheryl Chiaputti, Robert Corbett, Elaine Dumas, Brian Gore, David Hook, Michael Jednak, Scott Jordan, Matthew Larson, Lynn Lesniak, Joann Lombardo, Rich Miller, Richard Orr, Rachel Rubin, Robert Sitkowski, Katrina Spencer, Jeremy Teitelbaum, Thomas Trutter, Michelle Williams, and Reka Wrynn

Committee Chairman Thomas Ritter convened the meeting of the Buildings, Grounds and Environment (BGE) Committee at 10:30 a.m. in the Lewis B. Rome Commons Ballroom on the University of Connecticut campus in Storrs, Connecticut.

On a motion by Trustee Carbray and seconded by Mr. Archambault agenda *Item #1, Minutes of the Buildings, Grounds and Environment Committee meeting of June 14, 2017* were approved.

Robert Sitkowski, University Attorney, detailed agenda *Item #2, Sewer Main Easement to Town of Mansfield*. On a motion by Trustee Ritter and seconded by Mr. Archambault the item was recommended to the full Board for approval.

Chairman Ritter stated that the *Quarterly Report on Construction Performance Reported by the Office of Construction Assurance* would continue to be deferred until the position of Director of Construction Assurance had been filled.

Matthew Larson, Director of Procurement Services, updated the committee on agenda *Item #3, 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 #4, Construction Management Oversight Committee Quarterly Code Correction Status Report – Code Exception Report* and the *Quarterly Construction Status Report, for the Period Ending June 30, 2017*. The majority of the code discrepancy corrections will be finished by the end of the year and some by the middle of next year.

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. The loss of UCONN 2000 bond funded deferred maintenance funds after FY18 was discussed. A Facilities Condition Assessment is planned, which will inform the capital needs on a 5-10 year basis to determine needed funding. Trustee Carbray commented on new regulatory requirements from the Joint Commission that require remedy of all code deficiencies within 60 days of citation. They no longer accept a “corrective action plan” so costs to make the repairs cannot be deferred. Trustee Ritter requested that the committee be kept informed on this funding issue in order to better assist with the problem.

Robert Corbett, Director of Regional Projects and Development, provided a PowerPoint presentation on construction project updates for Storrs based programs. The committee discussed the results of the hotel RFEI. In addition, Mr. Corbett informed the committee that, at a later date, a project for a parking structure on W lot would be submitted for the committee to authorize as a design/build project. He also summarized agenda ***Item #8, Summary of Individual Change Orders Greater than 3% of Project Cost.***

Trustee Ritter informed the committee that the discussion of Athletic Stadia he has planned, would be delayed, as some changes including a move of the baseball stadium were necessary. The committee will effectuate working with the administration to ensure that baseball, softball and soccer stadia will be part of a bond issue along with the Rec Center next year. As more information is available, additional meetings will occur. Hockey needs for Hockey East will also be part of these discussions. Mr. Ritter will continue discussions with the administration on September 27.

The 2018 BGE Committee schedule was accepted with the request that on one of the dates, the committee meet at the new downtown Hartford campus.

There being no additional agenda items the meeting was adjourned 11:27 a.m. on a motion by Chairman Ritter and seconded by Trustee Carbray.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie L. Carone

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Secretary to the Committee