

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

University of Connecticut
Executive Conference Room, Room 216
38 Prospect Street – Hartford, Connecticut
December 4, 2019

TRUSTEES: Justin Fang, Marilda Gandara, Jeanine Gouin, Andrea Dennis-LaVigne (*via Telephone*), Rebecca Lobo (*via Telephone*), Thomas Ritter, and Daniel Toscano (*via Telephone*)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Francis Archambault, Richard Carbray

STAFF PRESENT: David Benedict, Lloyd Blanchard, James Bradley, Alan Calandro, Debbie Carone, Robert Corbett, Laura Cruickshank, Nicole Gelston, Brian Gore, Michael Jednak, Scott Jordan, Matthew Larson, Lynn Lesniak, Rachel Rubin, Michael Schrier, Thomas Trutter, Kristen Wirtanen, and Reka Wrynn

Committee Chair Marilda Gandara convened the meeting of the Buildings, Grounds and Environment (BGE) Committee at 10:04 a.m. in the Executive Conference Room #216 on the University of Connecticut campus in Hartford, Connecticut. Trustee Gandara welcomed both Chairman Toscano and Trustee Ritter to the committee meeting. On a motion by Mr. Archambault and seconded by Trustee Lobo agenda ***Item #1, Minutes of the Buildings, Grounds and Environment Committee meeting of September 11, 2019*** were approved.

Thomas Trutter, Vice President for UConn Health Facilities Development and Operations, detailed agenda ***Item #2, Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Waiver for the UConn Health Main Building Lab Area Renovations – 3rd Floor Project***. On a motion by Trustee Gouin and seconded by Mr. Archambault the item was approved as presented.

James Bradley, Director of Construction Assurance, reviewed his findings and recommendations contained in agenda ***Item #3, Office of Construction Assurance Quarterly Report – December 2019***. Mr. Archambault requested an update on the Facilities Condition Assessments. Trustee Gandara stated that she is in discussion with the administration and expects to continue the discussion and bring the report to the Chairman and potentially the full board at a later date.

Brian Gore, Director of Project and Program Management, reviewed agenda ***Item #4, Status of Code Correction Projects*** as well as providing an update on the Code Exception Report. He briefed the Committee on agenda ***Item #8, Summary of Individual Change Orders Greater than 3% of Project Cost (Storrs based projects)***.

Laura Cruickshank, Associate Vice President for University Planning, Design and Construction, briefed the committee on agenda **Item #5, Project Updates for Storrs Based Programs**. The report is organized by category of risk. In addition, the report covers those projects to be presented to the Board of Trustees for approval in December as well as projects anticipated to be brought before the Board in 2020. It was noted that this is exception reporting. Ms. Cruickshank briefed the committee on projects for the Northwest Science Quad, Hockey Arena, Student Housing, UCONN 2000 Code Remediation – Stamford, Unfunded Planning Backlog, and the Gampel Dome Repair. The committee devoted much of their discussion to the Gampel Dome Repair project and the Hockey Arena project.

Trustee Gandara welcomed and thanked Trustee Gouin and Trustee Fang who recently joined the committee membership. In addition, she requested the following items be reviewed during the February committee meeting: Northwest Quad project including environmental issues; and the Hockey Arena project with options including comparable projects, timing, process, expertise, cost/financing, etc.

Thomas Trutter, Vice President for UConn Health Facilities and Development, briefed the committee on agenda **Item #7, Project Update – UConn Health**. This included the prioritization of projects in light of the lack of capital funds, as well as the project being brought to the Board for approval on December 9.

Matthew Larson, Associate Vice President of University Business Services and Chief Procurement Officer, briefly highlighted agenda **Item #8, Updates on Operational and Organizational Activities, and Improvements**. Trustee Gandara commended Mr. Larson and his team on implementing the e-Source module.

There being no additional agenda items the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Mr. Archambault and seconded by Trustee Fang at 12:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie L. Carone

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Secretary to the Committee