#### BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN SYSTEM

### Capital Planning and Budget Committee Minutes Thursday, April 4, 2024

The April 4, 2024 meeting of the Capital Planning and Budget Committee, which was held in Velzy Commons in Ullsvik Hall on the UW-Platteville campus and via Zoom Videoconferencing, was called to order at 10:45 a.m. by Committee Chair Regent Edmund Manydeeds.

### A. Calling of the Roll

Present: Regents Edmund Manydeeds, Cris Peterson, Ashok Rai, and Mark Tyler

By Videoconferencing: Regents Evan Brenkus, Jim Kreuser (with technical difficulties) and Joan Prince

#### B. Declaration of Conflicts

Before considering any items on the agenda, Committee Chair Regent Manydeeds asked if any Board members wished to declare any conflicts of interest as per Regent Policy Document 2-4, "Ethics and Conflict of Interest Policy for the UW System Board of Regents." No conflicts of interest were declared.

# C. Approval of the Minutes of the February 8, 2024, Meeting of the Capital Planning and Budget Committee

After receipt of a motion and second, the minutes of the February 8, 2024, meeting of the Capital Planning and Budget Committee were approved as presented.

#### D. Proposed Consent Agenda

- 1. UW-Stevens Point: Authority to Allow Friends of Schmeeckle Reserve to Construct a Storage Garage
- 2. UW-Milwaukee: Authority to Sell a Parcel of Improved Land
- 3. UW System: Authority to Construct All Agency Maintenance and Repair Projects

Resolution D. was moved by Regent Rai, seconded by Regent Krueser, and adopted unanimously on a voice vote.

## E. <u>Regent Policy Document Review: Amendments to RPD 19-5, "Delegation of Authority to Remove Unneeded Structures"</u>

Senior Associate Vice President, Alex Roe, provided overview of Regent Policy Document 19-5, "Delegation of Authority to Remove Unneeded Structures," and the policy provisions to define the UW-Managed process as the second option for removing structures. The existing policy precedes this new authority. Therefore, to provide clarity for the Universities of Wisconsin, SAVP Roe stated they are proposing amendments to the current policy to address the second method for the removal of structures. They are also proposing to rename the policy "Removal of Structures".

The changes in the policy are as follows:

- It defines the process for removing structures through the UW-Managed (aka Gift & Grant) program.
- It defines the approvals needed in the UW-Managed program for removing a structure. SAVP Roe gave the example, if Chancellors wanted to remove a structure, they currently have delegated authority on structures valued at \$150,000 or less. This tends to be small houses. The policy amendment would give Chancellor's authority to remove any structure valued at less than \$500,000. If the structure value is between \$500,000 and \$5,000,000, the President of the Universities of Wisconsin must approve removal. And lastly, if the value is greater than \$5M, then the Board must approve removal of the structure.
- It delineates the basic process for the removal of a structure through the Department of Administration.

In all cases, if the building is a historic property, no matter the process, state statute dictates the approval and removal compliance activities that must be adhered to.

The amendments to RPD 19-5 will be brought forth next meeting for a vote.

# H. <u>UW-Platteville: Host Campus Presentation "Pioneer Blueprint: A Vision to Support Collaboration for the Pioneers of Today and Tomorrow"</u>

The presentation included a panel of speakers. It started with an overview by Chancellor Evetovich on their guiding principles around capital investment and planning that support core curricular strengths, bolster student success and decrease operational and maintenance costs. This was followed by an "Intercampus Collaborative Option" discussion by Dr. Rich Dhyanchand and student Sienna Isaacson regarding their nursing collaboration with UW Oshkosh. Next Joel Hill and Quade Weigel gave an overview of the Physician Assistant Education project recently completed and opened in partnership with UW-Madison. This was followed by a presentation by Jodi Pluemer and Jackie Spoor on the partnership with State Department of Transportation (DOT) and the Wisconsin Concrete Products Association for the Highway Technician Certification Program.

Regent Tyler inquired if the certifications that were discussed are pathways for internships for Civil Engineering students. Jodi Pluemer explained that certified students are in high demand and are offered internships, co-ops and even jobs for recent graduates very quickly. The companies that offer these opportunities are invested in these skills and have a return on that investment (ROI). Jackie Spoor added that they have an annual conference with roughly 350 industry and DOT partners, and they showcase the students who have received their scholarships to create networking opportunities.

Regent Rai appreciated the connection of enrollment growth with capital improvement projects and their ROI. He also added that when the time comes to advocate for funding for

their projects that they include industry partners who can show support for these needs. Chancellor Evetovich agreed and stated they are in the beginning stages of creating that advocacy.

Regent Manydeeds thanked the Chancellor and all the presenters for sharing their experiences, which provided evidence that their facilities are valued and need to be improved. He also concurred with Regent Rai that industry partners will be important to advocate as long as they follow the steps and directions that SAVP Roe and the UW needs them to follow.

### I. Report of the Senior Associate Vice President

SAVP Roe informed the board that 11 of the 13 campus visits have been completed. The universities have been incredibly generous with their time, providing access to relevant university officials and their buildings. These visits are key because they are learning about critical program concerns while also understanding their strategic initiatives.

SAVP Roe stated that at the June board meeting she will review some Regent criteria related to campus resources, financial capacity to manage projects, staff commitments and the alignment of their academic programs. She reports that the final 2025-27 biennial budget request will be brought forth at the August board meeting.

SAVP Roe provided an overview of the system's physical assets along with a handout. The data is from October 2023 but they are in the process of updating it for 2024. The first sheet shows the overall list by building types for the universities that include size, quantity, and value. The second spreadsheet lays out the data by institution. SAVP reports they are currently reevaluating and updating the value of each building for insurance purposes.

The Capital Planning and Budget Committee moved into closed session at 11:39 am by a motion from Regent Peterson and seconded by Regent Prince.

During the closed session, Regent Rai moved for the adoption of Agenda Item H1. the naming of the new Computer, Data, and Information Sciences facility at UW-Madison. The motion was seconded by Regent Tyler and adopted unanimously on a voice vote.

Also during the closed session, Regent Rai moved for the adoption of Agenda Item H2. the naming of the new engineering academic and research building at UW-Madison. The motion was seconded by Regent Peterson and adopted unanimously on a voice vote.

Lastly, in closed session, Regent Rai moved for the adoption of Agenda Item I. the naming of the new Fieldhouse at UW-La Crosse. The motion was seconded by Regent Peterson and adopted unanimously on a voice vote.

The Capital Planning and Budget Committee adjourned at 12:01pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Janis Richard

Committee Clerk