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Chairman Dick Beard convened the Board of Governors Facilities Committee Workshop at 12:34 p.m., October 9, 2013, in the Grand Ballroom East at the Tampa Airport Marriott. The following members were present: Vice Chair Wayne Huizenga, Manoj Chopra, Alan Levine, Wendy Link and Edward Morton. Also present was the FSA representative, Carlo Fassi.

1. Opening Remarks

Governor Beard called the Facilities Committee Workshop to order and welcomed all members.

The Board of Governors, at its September 12, 2013 meeting, discussed the Fixed Capital Outlay Legislative Budget Request (FCO LBR) and the corresponding projects associated with the list. The Board approved a 5 year project list, totaling \$377 million for the upcoming 2014-15 fiscal year. Of this amount, \$96 million is from PECO and \$280 million from general revenue. New project requests totaling an additional \$88 million were considered but not added to the FCO LBR at this time. Additionally, the Board approved a Capital Improvement Trust Fund (CITF) project list totaling \$151 million. Specific project priorities were not assigned at this time to the Board's 2014-15 FCO LBR. The Facilities Committee directed staff to set up a Facilities Workshop in order to provide an opportunity for further discussion for both the new project requests as well as all previously appropriated high priority projects funded at less than 25 percent. The projects to be presented represent high priority new projects and/or continuation projects funded at less than 25 percent. A standard set of project metrics has been provided to the schools as follows:

1. Total Project Budget, including non-state funding
2. Photos/renderings of the project
3. Site plans or map, showing the project's location
4. The specific goals or metrics in the 5 Year strategic plan and/or work plan goals tied to the project
5. Identify the anticipated negative consequences of delaying funding
6. Identify the annual operational costs (PO&M costs) of the facility
7. Number of construction and permanent jobs

8. From a statewide perspective, the most compelling reason to construct the project
9. If all state funding were provided in the amount and year requested, when would the facility be completed?
10. Other considerations – for example, will it allow a program to advance or maintain its national or regional stature?

The information provided by the schools will assist Board staff in development of a prioritized project funding list, and may result in the amendment of the Board's current request from General Revenue. The Board will take action, as appropriate, at its meeting scheduled for January 15-16, 2014.

2. Presentations of Selected High Priority Fixed Capital Outlay Projects
Commencement of university presentations took place as follows:

University of South Florida

President Judy Genshaft presented on the St. Petersburg College of Business, the Tampa Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Learning Center, and the USF Health Morsani College of Medicine Facility, collaborating with team members Dr. Ralph Wilcox, Dr. Sophia Wisniewska, Dr. Alicia Monroe, and John Ekarius. Dr. Wisniewska discussed the USFSP College of Business, placing importance on the synergy it would create, while allowing the College to maintain status among elite programs. Funding this project would further support high-demand for education in the financial services industry.

Provost Wilcox continued with the USF Tampa STEM Learning Center. The STEM Learning Center, proposed to be located at the center of the STEM District at USF Tampa, would accommodate an increased number of business and engineering faculty, researchers, technicians and students by 2016.

Finally, Dr. Monroe and John Ekarius discussed the USF Health Morsani College of Medicine Facility, a structure that would provide 79,000 nsf teaching space, which would benefit significant enrollment growth and need for program expansion.

University of West Florida

Provost Martha Sanders presented on the Laboratory Sciences Annex, collaborating with team members Dr. Susan Stephenson and Dr. Jim Barnett. Dr. Sanders explained that they had amended their request to align with the Board of Governors, Legislature and UWF's goals. For instance, this facility will help increase STEM degrees by providing additional wet lab research space.

University of North Florida

President John Delaney presented on Skinner Jones Hall North and Skinner Jones Hall South. UNF has amended their request from land acquisition to the renovation

project named above, which had been funded by the 2013 Legislature, focusing on STEM. (Note – a presentation was not required per the established metrics; however, UNF requested the opportunity to make a brief statement).

New College of Florida

President Donal O’Shea presented on the Roland V. Heiser Natural Sciences Complex, Building Addition Project, collaborating with Provost Steve Miles. Prior to 1998 construction for Heiser Natural Sciences, planned space for expansion was scaled back by 30%. This new 21,975 gross/14,650 net sq. ft. project would support the need for research and teaching labs for bioinformatics, molecular biology, earth science, bioorganic chemistry and biology/environmental studies.

Florida State University

President Eric Barron presented on the Earth Ocean Atmospheric Sciences (EOAS) Building, Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Teaching Lab Building, and the FAMU-FSU College of Engineering III- Joint Use project, collaborating with Dr. Yaw Yawboa. President Barron said that funding the EOAS Building would allow for integration of the departments, which would save money and promote research and teaching, and provide a more efficient facility for both students and faculty. Research in these departments is critical to the State as the Department of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Science has no other counterpart in the State of Florida.

Continuing, the STEM Teaching Lab Building was introduced, a project that is designed to pull some of the teaching lab activities out of old, deficient science buildings and renovate the space to house the new STEM faculty. This project would also address a critical shortage of teaching lab space on FSU’s Main Campus.

Dr. Yawboa then presented the project for FAMU-FSU College of Engineering III, which intends to create a powerful economic engine around the current location of the College of Engineering. The College is isolated from both main campuses, which makes it difficult to share the resources of the libraries, auditorium, information and other student-centered facilities.

University of Central Florida

President John Hitt presented on the UCF Valencia College Classroom Building, the Arts Complex Phase II, the Engineering Building Renovation, and the Interdisciplinary Research and Incubator, collaborating with team members Bill Merck, and Provost Tony Waldrop. Mr. Merck commented that although all projects are of high importance, the highest priority is the Interdisciplinary Research Facility. Through a partnership with Valencia College, UCF agreed to contribute \$7.5 million toward expanding the UCF Valencia Classroom Building’s size to accommodate the growing number of UCF students enrolled on that campus. The request to fund this project is to

recoup those dollars, half of which has been paid to Valencia; the other half is due in 2014.

Next, the Arts Complex Phase II was presented, the second of a three-phased center for the Arts. Phase II intends to provide performance space for both units, including a 600-seat concert hall, a 263-seat recital hall, a 520-seat proscenium theatre, and a 225-seat black box theatre.

President Hitt then introduced the Engineering Building I Renovation project. The lack of state-of-the-art facilities limits sponsored research opportunities and hinders both students and faculty. Funding this project would create an opportunity to lower excessive energy use and expensive stop-gap repairs.

Continuing, the Interdisciplinary Research Facility project was presented. This building was partially funded by the Legislature in 2010-11 for \$5,924,183, however when funding was not received to complete construction of Classroom II building, the funds were transferred in the 2013-14 budget to finish funding the Classroom II building project. Re-focusing on the Interdisciplinary Research Facility, UCF would be able to house programs in nano-science technology, advanced materials processing and analysis, optics and lasers, and energy research. It would also support the UCF business incubator program, which recently graduated its 100th company. Funding this project would furthermore provide research space for faculty lines and an increased output for business incubator programs.

Florida Gulf Coast University

Provost Ron Toll presented on two major projects including the Innovation Hub Research Building and Academic Building 9- Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Labs and Classrooms, collaborating with team member Steve Magiera. They introduced the 200 acre, 30,000 sq. ft. Innovation Hub Research project emphasizing the variety of energy sources that would be on display behind the laboratories and classrooms.

Provost Toll then continued with Academic Building 9, STEM Labs and Classrooms, which would provide a new co-op education/internship office. This project would house “bench” courses and research in the lab sciences which would enhance connection between education and the work world.

Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University

Interim President Larry Robinson and Dr. Bill Hudson presented on the Student Affairs Building, collaborating with team member Kendall Jones. FAMU explained that these new campus facilities have multi-purpose functions that enhance teaching and learning.

Florida International University

President Mark Rosenberg presented on Strategic Land Acquisition and the Humanities Center- Arts and Sciences Project, collaborating with team members Dr. Douglas Wartzok and Dr. Ken Jessell. FIU explained that the Strategic Land Acquisition project would provide several acres for future new facilities, including space for wet and dry labs, research facilities, as well as partnership space for business, industry and governmental involvement, and undergraduate student housing.

Next, the plan for the Humanities Center- Arts and Sciences was presented, intending to meet the demand for space for their large class sizes and to be able to offer more courses. It was emphasized by FIU that there is significant demand from both students and employers for humanities degrees.

Florida Atlantic University

Thomas Donaudy, University Architect, presented on General Classroom- Phase II, in collaboration with team member Provost Gary Perry. FAU's University Theatre has been utilized as large classroom space, but is being re-evaluated for necessary equipment to prepare it for better use in theatre production instruction. Funding the General Classroom- Phase II project would allow FAU to gain a large classroom space for instruction.

3. **System-wide Projects**

Governor Beard noted that system-wide projects are solely funded with direct championing and leadership from the Board and the Chancellor.

Joint Use Library Storage Facility

Dr. Judith Russell, Dean of University Libraries at UF, presented on High-Density Library Storage Facility for the State University, Dr. Russell noted that the ~30,000 GSF high-density facility will provide archival storage for 5.2 million volumes of library materials for benefit of all twelve State Universities. She also stated that this project will maximize capacity through storing volumes by size and retrieving by bar code. Furthermore, the renovation and expansion of existing ~42,000 GSF facility and ~10,000 GSF new construction will co-locate digital, conservation, and preservation services. Dr. Russell notes that the impact of this project will create opportunity for removal of low circulation books and journals from SUS libraries. Funding this project will reduce the need for construction of new or expanded libraries on campuses, it is less expensive than operating multiple individual library storage facilities, and it provides a shared research collection for all SUS students and faculty.

Florida Institute of Oceanography Research Vessel

USF's Dean William Hogarth and Provost Ralph Wilcox presented on the replacement of Florida Institute of Oceanography Research Vessel (R/V) Bellows. Dr. Hogarth explained the importance of the vessel to the SUS for STEM teaching and research, including its roll in securing major grants.

4. Concluding Remarks and Adjournment

Following the presentations, the Committee engaged in discussion, including the following topics:

- An analysis of facility needs, similar to what the Board was provided with related to operating expenses.
- Staff was directed to have a final list with recommendations for the January Board meeting.
- The need to link facilities needs to academic degree and program needs.

There being no further business, the Facilities Workshop adjourned at 5:52 p.m., October 9, 2013.

Dick Beard, Chair

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