Subject: Engineering Programs Building Addition

Action Requested: Approval of Schematic Design

Background:

At the December 2008 meeting, the Board of Regents approved the Engineering Programs Building Addition project and the appointment of Integrated Design Solutions, LLC as the architect for its design. Currently the Wilson Student Team Project Center is the location for the production and development of many student projects, including the Solar Car, Formula SAE, and Concrete Canoe teams. Due to an increase in participation and the number of student teams, the center requires additional space for project teams currently housed off-campus. To address this need, the College of Engineering proposes a 10,000 gross square foot addition on the east side of the Engineering Programs Building. The addition will be a flexible workplace that facilitates design, construction, and student interaction in a collaborative setting. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is $4,800,000. Funding will be provided from College of Engineering resources. The construction cash flow may be provided, all or in part, by increasing the commercial paper issuance under the commercial paper program, secured by a pledge of General Revenues, and authorized by the Regents. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2010.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the schematic design for the Engineering Programs Building Addition project as presented at the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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