Subject: Crisler Arena Renovation

Action Requested: Approval of Revised Project Scope and Budget, and Authorization to Issue the Project for Bids and Award Construction Contracts

Background:

At the July 2010 meeting, the Board of Regents approved the schematic design for the Crisler Arena Renovation project. The project will include: replacement of the roof and asbestos abatement as needed; new fire detection, alarm, and suppression systems; a new smoke evacuation system; emergency egress lighting; replacement of the heating and ventilation units; and building electrical system upgrades. The project will also replace the seats in the lower bowl, address Americans with Disabilities Act seating requirements, as well as relocate and widen aisles and add hand rails to the aisles. Due to the availability of funding and desire to replace all the seating within the arena at this time, the Athletic Department wishes to add $3,000,000 to the project budget so that the full replacement of the upper bowl seating can be included in this project. Similar to the lower bowl seating mentioned above, this will include widening aisles and adding handrails to the aisles. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical, and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements.

The estimated cost of the project is $23,000,000. Funding will be provided from Athletic Department 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 Board of Regents. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the winter of 2012.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the revised project scope and budget for the Crisler Arena Renovation project, and authorize issuing the project for bids and awarding construction contracts providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,

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