Minutes of the Formal Session
of the
Oakland University Board of Trustees
May 7, 2025

Present: Chair Joe Jones; Vice Chair Brian N. Calley; and Trustees Melanie Brown, David Kramer, Dennis Muchmore, Colleen Ochoa Peters, and Trina Scott

Also Present: President Ora Hirsch Pescovitz; Chief of Staff and Secretary to the Board of Trustees Joshua D. Merchant; Provost Amy Thompson; Senior Vice President Stephen W. Mackey; Vice President General Counsel Boyd Farnum; Senior Project Manager Nathan Knapp; and Associate Provost Amy Banes-Berceli; Michael Decoster, AIA, LEED AP BD + C Principal, Stantec

A. Call to Order

Chair Jones called the meeting to order at 11:00 am via Zoom.

B. Roll Call

Dr. Joshua D. Merchant, Chief of Staff and Secretary to the Board of Trustees, conducted a roll call and all the Board members were present except for Trustee Welch.

C. New Items for Consideration

DTMB Phase 200/300 Programming and Schematic Design for Science Complex

Mr. Stephen Mackey and Mr. Michael Decoster presented the Dodge Hall science complex project's schematic design and budget revisions. The project aims to create more research laboratory space, upgrade infrastructure, repair and replace roofs and windows, and reskin the front facade. The design includes shared research labs, office spaces, and a new entrance experience. The budget has been revised to include additional projects as per the State's request. The project is expected to be completed by mid-2028, with classes starting in the fall. The team has been working closely with stakeholders to ensure a smooth transition and achieve the project's objectives.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the DTMB Phase 200/300 Programming and Schematic Design for the Science Complex-Dodge Hall Renovation Project: and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the University to process with the completion of the Project subject to receipt of Phase 500 Final Design/Construction

Document approval from the State of Michigan, and within the not to exceed budget of $44,775,000, inclusive of all design, construction, and project management costs; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the President, the Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration, and their respective designees, to perform all acts and deeds and to execute and deliver all contracts, instruments and documents required by this resolution that are necessary, expedient and roper in connection wit the Science Complex-Dodge Hall Renovation Project and the ongoing administration of the Renovation Project to complete the renovation; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that said contracts, instruments and documents shall be reviewed by and be in a form acceptable to the Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel prior to execution, and be in compliance with the law and with University policies and regulations and conform to the legal standards of the Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel.

Chair Jones, seconded by Trustee Scott, moved to approval of the recommendation, and the motion was unanimously approved by those present.

Increased Costs of Science Complex

Mr. Mackey presented the updated budget for the project, which now totals 40.8 million dollars. The additional 4.8 million dollars came from the State's direction to include existing projects. The project is funded by 30 million dollars from DTMB, 10 million dollars from the State, and 1.1 million dollars from the central fund. Steve clarified that the changes were not due to a significant reduction in research budgets, but rather due to the addition of scope to finish the projects in parallel with the DTMB project. The need for the research building is independent of potential changes in NIH and NSF funding.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the project budget increase of $4,775,000; for a total budget of $44,775,000 for the Science Complex-Dodge Hall Renovation Project; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the President, the Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration, and their respective designees, to perform all acts and deeds and to execute and deliver all contracts, instruments and documents required buy this resolution that are necessary, expedient and proper in connection with the Science Complex-Dodge Hall renovation Project ad the ongoing administration of the Renovation Project to complete the renovation; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that said contracts, instruments and documents shall be reviews buy and be in a form acceptable to the Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel prior to execution, and be in compliance with the law and with University policies and regulations and conform to the legal standards of the Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel.

Chair Jones, seconded by Trustee Scott, moved to approval of the recommendation, and the motion was unanimously approved by those present.

Increased Construction Manager Fee for Science Complex

Mr. Mackey requested that, based on the increased costs of the Project, Frank Rewold and Sonds, and Constriction Manager (CM) on the Project, have their total cost increased from the previously approved $1,875,144, to $3,254,791.

RESOLVED, that the Board of trustees approve Frank Rewold and Sons as the Construction Manager for the Science Comple-Dodge Hall renovation Project and not to exceed construction manager fee of $3,254,791 which includes general conditions on the Project, within the not the exceed total construction budget of $35,704,000, which includes the construction management fee. All construction costs, consultant fees, permits, low voltage, movable furniture, fixtures, and other equipment, moving costs, and other owner related soft costs, allowable by the DTMB, are also included in the total project budget; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration to negotiate and execute a constructions management at-risk contract with Frank Rewold and Sons for the Science Complex-Dode Hall Renovation Project, and any increased fee necessary to address supply chain issues, market volatility, and other unforeseen costs during the execution of the project, provided such fees remain within the approved project budget; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that said contracts, instruments and documents shall be reviewed by and be in a form acceptable to the Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel prior to execution, and be in compliance with the law and with University policies and regulations and confirm to the legal standards of the Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel.

Chair Jones, seconded by Trustee Scott, moved to approval of the recommendation, and the motion was unanimously approved by those present.

H. Adjournment

Chair Jones adjourned the meeting at 11:44 a.m.

Submitted,

Joshua D. Merchant, Ph.D.
Chief of Staff and Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Approved,

Joe Jones
Chair, Board of Trustees