

**HYBRID MEETING OF THE BUSINESS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Community College of Philadelphia Wednesday,
April 1, 2024 – 8:00 A.M.**

Present for the Business Affairs Committee: Mr. Michael Soileau, (presiding and via zoom), Mr. Jeremiah White (via zoom), Mr. Ronald Bradley (via zoom), Mr. Harold Epps (via zoom), Ms. Mindy Posoff (via zoom), and Mr. Rob Dubow (via zoom)

Present for the Administration: Dr. Donald Generals (via zoom), Mr. Vance Gray (via zoom), Mr. David Solomon (via zoom), Dr. Alycia Marshall (via zoom), Mr. Jacob Eapen, Ms. Victoria Zellers, Esq., John Wiggins, Dr. Mellissia Zanjani, Mr. Gim Lim, Dr. David Thomas, Ms. Danielle Liautaud Watkins (via zoom), Dr. Shannon Rooney, Ms. Carolyn Flynn, Esq., Ms. Jasmine Sessoms, and Mr. Derrick Sawyer

Guests: Dr. Judith Gay, Vice President Emerita (via zoom)

PUBLIC SESSION AGENDA

Mr. Soileau called the meeting to order at 8:03 A.M. Mr. Soileau asked Mr. Eapen to proceed with the first agenda item.

(1) Resolution for Capital Budget Request to PDE – Health & Life Sciences Building (Action Item)

Mr. Eapen stated that the College submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) a resolution for the Health & Life Sciences for \$45,000,000 which was approved by the Board of Trustees on March 3, 2022 (see Attachment A).

The PDE requires a new resolution passed by the Board of Trustees since the resolution passed on March 3, 2022 is more than two years old (see Attachment B).

Discussion: Mr. Soileau described the tentative timeline of the Health & Life Sciences Building project starting with the need analysis with ECONSULT which was discussed during the last Business Affairs Committee meeting, an Architect RFP to begin in July 2024, and the selection of an Architect in December 2024.

Mr. Epps asked for clarity on the programs, and asked what drives the need for physical plants? Dr. Generals stated that capacity is the issue. Dr. Generals also stated that health education requires simulated labs that simulate hospital experiences. Dr. Generals also stated that hospitals can use the Life, Science and Health building for continued education. Mr. Epps stated since the Business & Industry building is underutilized, should the Committee consider retro-up versus ground-up?

Dr. Generals stated that we did not do that type of assessment. Dr. Generals also mentioned that the goal was to continue the CBI building for Business & Industry programs. Mr. Soileau requested information about CCP's plan to maximize that facility, and Dr. Generals stated that there were no plans right now.

Dr. Generals also mentioned there have been discussions with possibly partnering with Temple and University of Pennsylvania. Ms. Posoff asked if we defer to next year, would the capital funding change and jeopardize us in getting the \$45,000,000? Mr. Eapen responded that the College could defer one year and apply the next year; however, there is no guarantee to get the funding. Ms. Posoff also asked if the \$22,500,000 from the state goes through the Governor's office. Mr. Eapen responded that the PDE makes recommendations to the Council of Presidents and they usually agree with PDE's recommendation. Subsequent to that, PDE approves the capital projects. Mr. Eapen also stated that \$22,500,000 will be paid from the state, and the remaining \$22,500,000 will be from debt service. Mr. Eapen mentioned that it is key to look for public/private sources and partnerships for the remaining \$22,500,000.

Dr. Generals added there have been conversations regarding needs analyses with Richard Cohen & John Lasky at Temple University who mentioned that they cannot find enough technicians and were excited about the building.

Mr. Soileau summarized the discussion and spoke about three (3) buckets:

1. Understanding the capacity
Multiple deployments: CATC, NWRC, Proposed building
2. Fit into the Master Plan/Mosaic study.
3. Advisory group (MOU's/Letter of Intent)
Higher Needs

Ms. Posoff suggested that the college develop a list of names for an Advisory body. Mr. Epps stated that there is a struggle with the implementation of the CATC. Mr. Epps also stated that we have 40% - 50% less students. Mr. Epps responded that we don't have enough information. Mr. Epps added that no one is building in higher education except for the Ivy League institutions.

Mr. Dubow inquired about the risk of not going forward. Mr. Eapen stated that if we tell PDE we are not moving forward, another college could replace CCP's application for this cycle, but CCP could possibly seek funding in the following cycle. Mr. Dubow stated that we have a good track record, and Mr. Eapen confirmed that CCP does have a good track record. Mr. Epps also stated, we are not ready. Ms. Posoff asked about the process to delay this decision at this time, and Ms. Zellers stated that the Committee could table it until further notice. Mr. DuBow asked about a timeline that we could get the information. Dr. Generals responded a month or more.

Mr. Bradley stated that the challenge is that the timing is not right.

Action: The Business Affairs Committee tabled the approval of the resolution to submit to PDE for funding for the Health and Life Science Building in that amount of \$45,000,000

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 am.

(2) Next Meeting – Business Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees
(Information Item)

The next meeting of the Business Affairs Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at 9:00 A.M.

ATTACHMENT A

COLLEGE: Community College of Philadelphia

TITLE: FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 PDE CAPITAL PROJECTS APPLICATIONS
Board of Trustees

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF PHILADELPHIA APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF PDE APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING CAPITAL PROJECTS:

PROJECT NAME: New Project: Health and Life Sciences Building

Already a health care hub of the United States, Philadelphia is emerging as the *Cellicon* capital of the country. The life sciences and health care industries are driving the engine of growth for the city and the state. The Health and Life Sciences building embodies Community College of Philadelphia's commitment to preparing the leaders and workforce of tomorrow for the industries. The building will feature the most technologically advanced collaborative learning spaces, state of the art simulation classrooms, and advanced life science laboratories. The building will house programs that will train students in the areas of nursing, dental hygiene, biology, and workforce development programs in pharmaceutical and cellular biology. The building is aimed at fostering a spirit of collaborative teaching and learning amongst students and faculty.

Estimated Total Cost of Project \$45,000,000

PROJECT NAME: New Project: Simulation/Skills Lab for Nursing & Other Allied Health Programs

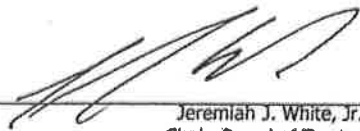
Enhancements are needed in the West Building to create a state of the art simulation/skills lab environment that can be used by the Nursing and Allied Health programs to allow for skill development and interprofessional education and experiences for the students in these programs. The current lab configuration is not optimal and lacks adequate space. The enhancement will allow for better clinical group simulations, coaching and mentoring activities and would allow for additional lab sections to be run simultaneously. Included with the enhancements would be the creation of two dedicated simulation labs with an adjacent control room. The space would mimic a hospital room and have the appropriate technology to live-feed and record the simulations. A small computer room for student use would also be added. With this enhancement there will be student opportunities to experience the lab components of nursing, respiratory, diagnostic imaging, dental and clinical lab technician as part of the Allied Health 101 course. Instructors and students will have better access to technology rich tools for acquiring knowledge that will lead to improved student outcomes.

Estimated Total Cost of Project \$725,000
Cash Project

PROJECT NAME: Carry Over Project: Physics Instructional Space Enhancements

The enhancement of the Physics learning environment consists of facilitating an integrated lecture and laboratory approach, providing easy access to technology and space for demonstration, increased and more efficient space utilization for materials handling / storage, and re-structuring of areas for lab preparation that are needed to support the new technologies, the state-of-the-art equipment and evolving pedagogy of the fields of Physics and Engineering Science. This update will include life-safety and improve accessibility throughout. Instructors and students will have technology rich tools for discovering information and acquiring knowledge thus creating an interactive environment that will foster the ability to exchange information and improve the students' learning experience and course outcomes. The estimated costs for the enhancements to the Physics Instructional space are \$627,000 which includes all equipment.

Estimated Total Cost of Project \$627,000
Cash Project



Jeremiah J. White, Jr.
Chair, Board of Trustees

Date of
Board
Approval:

Community College of Philadelphia

March 3, 2022

COLLEGE: Community College of Philadelphia

TITLE: FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 PDE CAPITAL PROJECTS APPLICATIONS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Estimated Total Cost of Project: \$45,000,000

**Harold I Epps
Chair, Board of Trustees
Community College of Philadelphia**

Date of
Board
Approval

April 2, 2024