



MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Executive Action Summary

Academic Affairs-Attachment 2

Committee Name Committee on Academic Affairs

Date February 06, 2026

Agenda Item: Naming Opportunity - Engineering and Digital Innovation Center Atrium

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Information

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Review

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Action

Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University hereby approves the naming of the atrium within the Engineering and Digital Innovation Center the Spalding Family Atrium.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve naming the atrium within the Engineering and Digital Innovation Center the Spalding Family Atrium.

Prior Action by BOT: Not applicable.

Responsible Officers: Kim Tobin, Vice President for University Advancement

Summary:

Michigan State University has received a \$10,000,000 commitment from David Spalding to the College of Engineering. In recognition of the gift, it is proposed the Board of Trustees approve naming the atrium within the Engineering and Digital Innovation Center the Spalding Family Atrium. The naming is recommended in alignment with BOT 612, *Buildings and Facilities – Naming*.

In addition to serving as the primary entrance to the building, the Atrium will be the central hub of connectivity for students and faculty. It will feature a variety of seating spaces and will and serve as a launching off point to the rest of the building.

Background Information:

David Spalding is a 1967 graduate from the College of Engineering. He founded American Hydrotech, Inc., a leader in building and waterproofing technology. His lifelong connection to MSU has included the establishment of endowed scholarships in his family's name and decades of engagement with the College of Engineering.

Source of Funds: Philanthropic gift

Resource Impact: The gift will cover 10% of the philanthropic goal for the Engineering and Digital Innovation Center project.