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MEMORANDUM

To: Trustee Finance Committee
From: Fred L. Poston 
Subject: **Authorization to Plan**
Steam Distribution - Replace Steam Lines to Owen Graduate Hall

RECOMMENDATION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Trustee Finance Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to plan for the project entitled Steam Distribution - Replace Steam Lines to Owen Graduate Hall.

BACKGROUND

Program Need:

The existing direct-buried steam distribution and condensate return lines servicing Owen Graduate Hall were installed in 1957 and have been repaired several times during the last 10 years. They now need to be replaced with a steam tunnel to ensure reliable steam service and provide flood protection measures.

General Description of the Project:

The planning of this project is anticipated to include replacing deteriorating direct-buried steam and condensate lines with a steam tunnel from the east side of the Business Complex to the west side of Owen Graduate Hall.

The project site is located between the east side of the Business Complex and the west wing of Owen Graduate Hall and from the west wing to the center section of Owen Graduate Hall in the Residential District. This project is consistent with the Campus Master Plan and Planning Principles.

Based on an assessment of the factors stated in the Project Planning and Approval process concerning Project Labor Agreements (PLA), the Vice President for Finance and Operations and Treasurer has determined that a PLA would not be required for this project.



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Communication Plan:

During the planning phase, the campus community will be given opportunities to provide feedback on the project as it is being designed. Input from the project planning team will be solicited during the design phase.

Preliminary Project Cost Information:

Based on cost experience for similar projects and current pricing information, the preliminary project cost estimate is \$2,800,000. This estimate may change as planning progresses and the project scope is further defined.

This is a Just-In-Time project and the source of funds for the project is expected to be tax-exempt financing with debt repayment from the general fund.

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