

MINUTES
TELEPHONE MEETING
BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
University of Connecticut
June 13, 2023

Committee Trustees: Andrea Dennis-LaVigne, Marilda Gandara, Jeanine Gouin

UConn Health Board of Directors
Directors Committee Members: Richard Carbray, Jr.

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Vice-Chair Gandara called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. Upon convening, the Committee lacked a quorum and received an informational presentation on UConn Health Updates, Facilities Development and Operations (Agenda Item #7). At 10:28 a.m., a quorum was reached, and the Committee considered the following action items and remaining topics for discussion.

1. UConn Health Updates, Facilities Development and Operations ~ Presentation

Presenter: George Karsanow, Associate Vice President for UConn Health
Campus Planning, Design & Construction

2. Public Participation

No members of the public signed up to address the Committee.

3. Minutes of the Buildings, Grounds and Environment Committee Meeting of April 12, 2023

On a motion by Trustee Gouin, seconded by Director Carbray, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2023, meeting.

4. FY24 Capital Budget Presentation

Presenter: Reka Wrynn, Associate Vice President for Budget, Planning and Institutional Research

5. Revised Capital Projects Policies and Procedures Manual for Finance

On a motion by Trustee Gouin, seconded by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the Revised Capital Projects Policies and Procedures Manual for Finance.

6. Construction Assurance Office Report – June 2023

Presenter: David Hook, Construction Auditor

7. Proposed New Lease for 36 North Main Street, Waterbury, CT

Presenter: Robert Corbett, Executive Director & Director of Real Estate and Regional Projects

8. Project Update ~ Storrs Based Programs ~ Presentation

- Note: Vice Chair Gandara requested that the project budget for the Field House – Old Recreation Center Renovation not move forward to the Financial Affairs Committee and full Board for approval until she receives additional information on the project (e.g. cost, priorities, allocations).

Presenters: Laura Cruickshank, Associate Vice President for University Planning, Design and Construction

9. Projects Reviewed by BGE and to be presented to Financial Affairs on 06/27/23 for Storrs Based Programs and UConn Health

This agenda item was informational.

10. Summary of Individual Change Orders Greater Than 3% of Project Cost (Storrs-based projects)

This agenda item was informational.

11. Status of Code Correction Projects

- Construction Management Oversight Committee Quarterly Code Correction, Status Report – Code Exception Report
- Quarterly Construction Status Report, Period Ending March 31, 2023

This agenda item was informational.

12. Capital Projects Status Report

This agenda item was informational.

13. Other Business

There was no Other Business.

14. Executive Session (*As Needed*)

On a motion by Trustee Gouin, seconded by Director Carbray, the Committee voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 10:57 a.m. regarding:

1. Preliminary drafts or notes provided the public agency has determined that the public interest in withholding such documents clearly outweighs the public interest in disclosure [CGS Section 1-210(b)(1)]; and
2. Records pertaining to strategy and negotiations with respect to pending claims or pending litigation to which the public agency is a party until such litigation or claim has been finally adjudicated or otherwise settled [CGS Section 1-210(b)(4)]; and
3. Records, tax returns, reports and statements exempted by federal law or the general statutes or communications privileged by the attorney-client relationship, marital relationship, clergy-penitent relationship, doctor-patient relationship, therapist-patient relationship or any other privilege established by the common law or the general statutes, including any such records, tax returns, reports or communications that were created or made prior to the establishment of the applicable privilege under the common law or the general statutes [CGS Section 1-210(b)(10)].

The following Trustees were in attendance: Dennis-LaVigne, Gandara, Gouin, and Ritter.

The following UConn Health Board of Directors were in attendance: Carbray.

The following University staff were in attendance for the entire Executive Session: Maric, Blanchard, Carone, Corbett, Craun, Cruickshank, D'Alleva, Geoghegan, Jednak, Kirk, LaVallee, Lombardo, Nolan, Rubin, Williams, and Wrynn.

The Executive Session ended at 11:13 a.m., and the Committee returned to Open Session at 11:14 a.m.

15. Adjournment

On a motion by Trustee Gouin, seconded by Director Carbray, the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie L. Carone

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Secretary to the Committee