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ILLINOIS BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION CAPITAL WORKING GROUP

Submitted for: Information.

Summary: This item provides an update to the Board about the Illinois Board of Higher Education's (IBHE) Capital Working Group and its work to redevelop the current IBHE capital priority project list.

Action Requested: None.

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This informational agenda item provides an update regarding the IBHE Capital Working Group.

Background

Based on previous discussions with the public universities and the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy (IMSA) about their current capital needs, IBHE is in the process of redeveloping its capital project priority list for Fiscal Year 2018. Last fall at the annual budget overview meetings, several institutions indicated a desire to change the projects they currently have on the list. IBHE wants to be responsive to these requests while also maintaining the integrity of the process and ensuring an equitable methodology for distribution.

Additionally for Fiscal Year 2018, IBHE proposed setting aside an appropriation of \$20 million in General Revenue Funds (GRF) to meet critical life safety and infrastructure needs at universities, community colleges, and IMSA.

Although no capital appropriation legislation has been passed for several years, IBHE believes this work is essential to presenting the most accurate portrayal of current institutional needs to the Governor's Office of Management and Budget (GOMB) and the Capital Development Board (CDB) in the event some funding becomes available in the future.

Summary Update

In December 2016, a working group was created to provide recommendations to the Board for a better, more strategic and transparent priority setting process. The members from the universities are President Larry Dietz, Illinois State University; Interim President Richard Helldobler, Northeastern Illinois University; Chancellor Susan Koch, University of Illinois at Springfield; President Elaine Maimon, Governors State University; and President Jack Thomas, Western Illinois University and IBHE Board Member. In addition, the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy is represented by Bud Bergie, facilities manager.

The Capital Working Group held conference calls on February 8 and 22, 2017. Group members generally agreed that critical deferred maintenance needs should take precedence during the ongoing stop-gap budgeting process, and in the absence of a capital appropriations bill. Requesting operational funding for deferred maintenance needs was mentioned as a potential option.

The Group recognizes the importance of maintaining a regular capital list that reflects the current needs of the institutions as well. Group members indicated that they would present the information at a weekly Presidents and Chancellors meeting in order to get input from all of the institutions. In the meantime, the Group decided that the best path forward might be to separate the list into priorities by the following categories:

Proposed Priority of Categories for Capital Projects List

Category	Definition
I. Critical Infrastructure and Life Safety	An emergency, or critical, project is one wherein failure to respond could endanger people or could impede the daily operation of the institution. Emergency projects could relate to the remedy of construction defects or damage caused by a fire or tornado and could address regulatory or court-ordered actions.
II. Capital Renewal	Projects are generally of lesser size and scope than regular capital projects and involve minor remodeling of facilities to repair building exteriors, to upgrade electrical, mechanical, roofing, and plumbing systems, to address safety and accessibility code requirements, and to remodel classroom and laboratory areas.
III. Partially Funded Regular Capital Projects	Regular capital projects that have been started but progress has been halted due to a lack of funding to continue.
IV. Remaining Requested Regular Capital Projects	Larger-scale projects that include new construction, upgrades, or renovations of instructional-related campus facilities.

The institutions have been asked to submit a list of critical infrastructure and life safety projects to IBHE as defined by IBHE’s Higher Education Statewide Capital Policies and Priorities Manual. The criteria in this Manual was used to develop the current project list and is still relevant to today’s determinations. Future meetings of the Group are on hold until these submissions are received and reviewed by staff, though a tentative deadline for submission of a new Board Item has been set for the June 13 IBHE meeting.

Provisional Priority List

Attached is the Higher Education Capital Improvement Provisional Priority List approved by the Board as part of the Higher Education Budget Recommendations for Fiscal Year 2018. This list of 31 projects mirrors prior year proposals but does not take into account the emerging crisis of addressing emergency capital repairs that could temporarily threaten operations of campus activities.

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HIGHER EDUCATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROVISIONAL PRIORITY LIST
FY2018 RECOMMENDATION

(in thousands of dollars)

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Budget Category</u>	<u>FY2018 IBHE Recommendation</u>	<u>Total Project Cost*</u>
Statewide (non-add figure)		Capital Renewal - Public Universities & IMSA	Repair/Renovate	\$289,826.00
I. Public Universities and IMSA				
	Public Universities	Capital Renewal	\$ 281,776.0	\$ 281,776.0
	Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy	Capital Renewal	8,050.0	8,050.0
1	Northeastern Illinois University	Education Building ¹	9,850.0	9,850.0
2	Northern Illinois University	Computer Science, Health Informatics, & Technology Center ¹	66,452.2	69,239.6
3	Southern Illinois University Carbondale	Communications Building ¹	74,118.1	78,373.5
4	University of Illinois at Chicago	Medical Sciences Building Modernization, Phase 1 & 2	27,000.0	77,000.0
5	Western Illinois University	Science Building, Phase I	64,600.0	64,600.0
6	Southern Illinois University Edwardsville	Health Sciences Building	8,980.0	100,080.0
7	Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy	Replace Heating & Cooling Equipment	3,425.0	3,425.0
8	Eastern Illinois University	New Science Building	112,190.8	112,190.8
9	Illinois State University	Milner Library Rehabilitation	84,494.0	84,494.0
10	University of Illinois at Springfield	Brookens Library	58,200.0	58,200.0
11	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Main Library	54,050.0	54,050.0
12	Northeastern Illinois University	Carruthers Center for Inner City Studies	20,068.6	20,068.6
13	Northern Illinois University	Wirtz Hall Renovation	20,206.3	20,206.3
14	Chicago State University	Science Lab	11,833.0	11,833.0
15	University of Illinois at Chicago	Pharmacy Building Renovation & Addition	89,000.0	139,000.0
16	Governors State University	Campus Water Pipe System	5,708.7	5,708.7
17	Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy	Residenc Halls - Phase II, Interior Renovations, Part A	2,089.0	2,089.0
18	Eastern Illinois University	Rehabilitate Life Science/Coleman HVAC & Plumbing, Escalation ²	1,932.2	6,689.3
19	Northern Illinois University	Campus Roadway Repair	7,621.7	7,621.7
20	Eastern Illinois University	Fire Alarm Upgrades	4,105.9	4,105.9
21	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Natural History Building	17,500.0	112,500.0
22	Chicago State University	Child Care Center ¹	3,582.0	3,582.0
23	Western Illinois University	Science Building, Phase II	54,300.0	54,300.0
24	Governors State University	University Library	2,865.0	33,700.0
25	Southern Illinois University Edwardsville	Alton Dental Consolidation	7,960.0	85,470.0
26	Illinois State University	Mennonite College of Nursing	28,933.0	28,933.0
27	Northeastern Illinois University	Science Building Modernization	8,148.8	130,289.0
28	Northern Illinois University	Davis Hall Renovation	4,168.3	42,290.4
29	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Disability Research, Resources and Education Building	56,644.0	56,644.0
30	Chicago State University	Library Exterior Repair	4,306.0	4,656.0
31	Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy	Residence Halls - Phase II, Interior Renovations, Part B	1,566.0	1,566.0
		Public University & IMSA, Subtotal	<u>\$ 1,205,724.6</u>	<u>\$ 1,772,581.8</u>

* In some cases, IBHE capital recommendations are partial project funding for initial phases such as planning and land acquisition. Total project cost reflects the full cost of project completion including construction, renovation, utilities and equipment. These costs excludes prior year state appropriations and non-state funds.

¹ Planning funds were included in the FY2010 Illinois Jobs Now! program for these projects. (Planning & Construction funds for the NEIU Education Building and CSU Child Care Center.)

² The project received \$4.8 million in the FY2010 Illinois Jobs Now! program. This request is to recognize the inflation needs for the project from the original request date.

