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Office of the President
September 11, 2012

Members, Board of Trustees:

RENOVATE DENTISTRY CLASS LAB

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approves the initiation of the Renovate Dentistry Class Lab capital project.

Background: During its 2012 session, the General Assembly authorized many projects for the University of Kentucky including the “Renovate Dentistry Class Lab” for \$3,300,000 utilizing Restricted funds to renovate and upgrade approximately 4,500 gross square feet of the existing Dentistry Building, and “Repair, Upgrade, or Improve Building Mechanical Systems” for \$25,000,000 also using Restricted Funds.

A subsequent feasibility study has shown that major mechanical system replacements and upgrades in the 50-year old Dentistry Building are required to support the ‘Renovate Dentistry Class Lab’ that were unanticipated when making the original authorization request for the Dentistry Class Lab project. The project includes upgrading ventilation systems, modernizing and enhancing technology utilized in training dental students, and accommodating additional student dental workstations and workspaces in the Student Simulation Lab. To enable the project to proceed, the University intends to request approval from the Council on Postsecondary Education and the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee to merge \$1,400,000 of authorization from the ‘Repair, Upgrade, or Improve Building Mechanical Systems’ pool with the ‘Renovate Dentistry Class Lab’ project for a combined scope of \$4,700,000.

Pending approval by the Board of Trustees, the requested consolidation of authorizations will be submitted to the Council on Postsecondary Education at their September 13, 2012 meeting and the September 18, 2012 meeting of the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____