

PR 6

Office of the President
October 21, 2016

Members, Board of Trustees:

RELOCATE/UPGRADE ATHLETICS PLAYING FIELD CAPITAL PROJECT
(SOCCER PRACTICE FIELD)

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve the initiation of the Relocate/Upgrade Athletics Playing Field Capital Project (Soccer Practice Field).

Background: Pursuant to Administrative Regulation 8:2, any capital project with an estimated cost of \$1,000,000 or more must be approved by the Board prior to initiation. This project will relocate the soccer practice field for the University's Soccer Program and will include lighting and natural turf upgrades. The current soccer practice field is inadequate for the existing and future needs of the program.

With the growth in the overall student population (from 28,094 to 30,887 since 2011) and student residents in central and south campus, there has been an increase in student recreation and transportation needs that need to be addressed as soon as possible. This project is a critical step in the University's South Campus Master Plan implementation, which will ultimately allow for the development of additional student recreation spaces and a substantial expansion of parking spaces in this area of campus.

To accommodate the construction of the new baseball stadium (PR 5), relocation of the current soccer practice field is necessary.

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