ACTION ITEM: Exterior Design Approval for Classroom-Office Building

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The University requested funding for an Academic Classroom and Office Building in the amount of $47,467,000. The short session of the 2005 Legislature (2006) appropriated $2.3 million dollars for planning and design of the facility. Additional appropriation from the Legislature in 2007 in the amount of $2.5 million was approved for the finalization of the design. Completion of funding for construction is expected from the 2008 Legislature that will allow this project to continue in a seamless manner through construction. This new building will provide classroom and office space for the School of Education and an expanded faculty and student population that has grown faster than projected.

This Board, at its November 2, 2006 meeting, selected the firm of O’Brien Atkins Associates of Research Triangle Park as the designers for the new Academic Classroom and Office Building. At the April 19, 2007 meeting this Board approved the site selection along Spring Garden St. between Stirling and Kenilworth streets. Design of the building has progressed to the point that the exterior design is complete enough to seek approval.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board of Trustees of The University of North Carolina at Greensboro approve the exterior design of the Academic Classroom and Office Building and authorize the administration to proceed with completing the design and construction of this building.

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