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Office of the President
October 27, 2009

Members, Board of Trustees:

RENOVATE NURSING BUILDING

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve initiation of the “Renovate Nursing Building” capital project.

Background: In response to the shortage of nursing professionals in Kentucky and the nation, the College of Nursing began increasing the size of its entering class in 2007. The College’s total student enrollment is expected to double by spring 2010. Consequently, additional student space is needed.

This project will renovate and convert a covered patio on the third floor of the Nursing Building into student study and discussion space. Additionally, minor enhancements will be made in some fifth floor graduate student space, restrooms, and network wiring. The \$1,883,970 project will be fully funded by a federal grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

The estimated scope is well within the total legislative authorization of \$3,088,000, which includes \$1,100,000 of federal funds. Contingent upon approval by the Board of Trustees, the University will request the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee to increase the authorized federal funds from \$1,100,000 to \$1,883,970.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____