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Office of the President
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Members, Board of Trustees:

RENOVATE/UPGRADE STUDENT RECREATION FIELDS CAPITAL PROJECT

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve the initiation of the Renovate/Upgrade Student Recreation Fields Capital Project.

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.

With the growth in overall student population (from 28,094 to 30,887 since 2011) and student residents in central and south campus (from 3,957 to 5,105 since 2011), there has been an increase in student recreation needs. The Renovate/Upgrade Student Recreation Fields Capital Project addresses some of these needs and is a critical part of the implementation of the University's South Campus Master Plan.

This project will renovate and upgrade existing fields adjacent to Cooper Drive to create multipurpose fields to support campus recreation programs including soccer, rugby, lacrosse, flag football, and field hockey. This project will renovate and replace the natural grass playing surface with a synthetic "in-fill" type surface. The project also will include grade improvements, lighting, and other site improvements.

This project was authorized by the 2016 Session of the Kentucky General Assembly as Renovate/Upgrade Athletics Playing Fields 2 with a scope of \$2,000,000 to be funded with private funds. Pending Board approval, a request to increase the authorized scope by \$1,500,000 to \$3,500,000, with the increase also to be funded with private funds, will be submitted to the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____



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