

**COMMITTEE AS A WHOLE  
ZOOM MEETING OF THE BUSINESS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Community College of Philadelphia  
Thursday, March 3, 2022– 9:00A.M.**

**Present for the Business Affairs Committee:** Mr. Michael Soileau, presiding; Mr. Rob Dubow, Mr. Harold Epps, Lydia Hernández Vélez, Esq., Mr. Steve Herzog, and Mr. Jeremiah J. White, Jr.

**Trustees:** Ms. Mindy Posoff, Ms. Chekemma Fulmore-Townsend (Executive Session only), and Ms. Sheila Ireland (Executive Session only)

**Present for the Administration:** Dr. Donald Guy Generals, Ms. Carol de Fries, Ms. Josephine DiGregorio, Ms. Marsia Henley, Dr. Samuel Hirsch, Jessica Hurst, Esq., Danielle Liautaud-Watkins, Esq., Mr. Gim Lim, Dr. Shannon Rooney, Mr. Derrick Sawyer, Dr. Vishal Shah, Mr. Vijay Sonty, Dr. David Thomas, and Ms. Mikecia Witherspoon

**Guests:** Dr. Judith Gay, Vice President Emerita, and Ms. Sabrina Maynard, City of Philadelphia, Office of Finance

**PUBLIC SESSION**  
**AGENDA**

**(1) Computer Purchase from Dell to Support Students at the Career for the Advanced Technology Center (CATC) (Action Item)**

Discussion: Mr. Sonty stated that it took staff over a year to carefully review the CATC building floor plans and all of the different programs associated with CATC. He stated that staff compiled a list of technology deployment options to purchase in order to support students in the new CATC Center. In reviewing options, cost, unit capabilities and availability were primary considerations. Getting CATC ready with current technology provides a critical role in expanding student/staff capabilities and overall productivity. Mr. Sonty stated that co-op pricing was obtained through COSTARS (Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Cooperative Purchasing Program). He explained that Dell is leveraging the College's COSTARS agreement which allows for a standard 9% discount of the List Price. Mr. Sonty stated that Attachment A contains the Source of Funding: \$191,730 from Perkins Grant and \$142,422 from Bond proceeds; and that Attachment B contains a detailed listing of all the technology components.

Mr. Dubow asked, for this type of purchase, how does staff determine to use Bond proceeds or operating dollars when the computer equipment may not last that long. Mr. Sawyer stated that when staff worked on the project budget, the cost of the computer equipment was tied into the financing. He stated that there is a line item for CATC as a new project. Mr. Sawyer stated that the College typically leases equipment; however, once the computer equipment reaches its life cycle and will need to be replaced, then the College will more than likely lease the equipment using operating funds.

Action: Ms. Hernández Vélez moved and Mr. Dubow seconded the motion that the Business Affairs Committee recommend to the full Board the purchase of the CATC Technology Outfitting Project from Dell at the total cost of \$334,152 which includes three years of maintenance and support. The project will be paid from the Perkins Grant (\$191,730) and from the Bond Proceeds (\$142,422). The motion passed unanimously.

**(2) Concept for New Health & Life Sciences Building and Resolution of Support for FY 2022-23 PDE Capital Applications (Action Item)**

Background: The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) requires that all capital applications submitted during the annual capital application process include a Board Resolution of Support for the Project. For the FY 2022-2023 process, and all subsequent cycles, PDE is requiring that previously submitted projects be submitted with new Resolutions. The Health and Life Sciences Building and the Simulation/Skills Lab for Nursing and Other Allied Health Programs will be categorized as new capital projects with the Simulation/Skills Lab for Nursing and Other Allied Health Programs as a cash project. The Physics Instructional Space Enhancements is a carryover capital project and will be submitted as a cash project.

Discussion: Dr. Generals introduced this item by stating that a first step will be for the Board of Trustees to approve a PDE Resolution for FY 2022-23. One of the new capital items being proposed is a simulated New Health & Life Science Building. The PDE process for this item will roughly be a 2-year process for capital funding approval. He stated that the College's Facilities Master Plan called for this type of integrated health sciences building. Dr. Generals pointed out that this is not a financial commitment but to simply get the College into the "pipeline" for consideration with regards to the PDE application process. Dr. Generals stated that he asked Dr. Hirsch to present a brief video from Miami Dade College. Miami Dade has a relatively new building which is less than 5 years old and will provide a good illustration for the concept we are proposing for our simulated health and sciences building.

Dr. Hirsch stated that the brief Miami-Dade video will give the Committee a visual concept of the integration of the College's various healthcare programs. He stated that in today's healthcare facilities, the care is not "compartmentalized," but integrated. Dr. Hirsch stated that in conversations with members of the Board of Trustees and others, a question that arises is, how can the College increase the number of students in its healthcare programs? He mentioned that one of the key obstacles is having enough clinical sites. Dr. Hirsch stated that the move towards simulation could decrease the need of having sufficient clinical sites. He stated that the combination of clinical sites and simulation healthcare facilities would allow the College to increase its number of students.

Dr. Hirsch stated that the College's West Building is nearly 40 years old and that the College upgraded its science labs (e.g., Biology, Chemistry) and its healthcare program spaces (e.g., Diagnostic Medical Imaging as recent as last year). He mentioned that the College has not yet upgraded its Nursing facilities which needs more collaborative space.

Following the Miami Dade video, Dr. Vishal Shah, Dean, Math, Science and Health Careers addressed what he foresees as changes related to pedagogy and programmatic growth. Dr. Shah stated that 5 to 10 years from now, the pedagogy will no longer be the same as it is today. The new Health & Life Sciences Building will be integrated which will allow the College to train its students to be prepared in real life clinical settings. Dr. Shah provided two examples of evolution in the medical field. He stated that President Biden, in his State of the Union Address, mentioned his administration introducing an initiative to provide medication on the spot for people who test positive for COVID at their pharmacy. Dr. Shah also mentioned that the FDA recently approved a cancer therapy developed by Johnson & Johnson, a primary example of the kind of training the College will be able to provide to its students.

Dr. Generals stated that College staff is estimating the cost of the building to be \$45 million. However, he stated that this is a type of project that the College should be able to get

the community to support in terms of fundraising, as well as partnerships with hospitals and medical centers around the City.

Mr. Soileau asked how College staff estimated \$45 million for the proposed Health and Life Sciences Building. Mr. Wiggins stated that the Schrader Group, the College's architects for the Career & Advanced Technology Center, drew up preliminary numbers: \$35 million in construction costs and \$10 million in simulators and equipment.

Action: Mr. Epps moved and Mr. Herzog seconded the motion that the Business Affairs Committee recommend to the full Board the approval of the Resolution of Support for Fiscal Year 2022-23 PDE capital applications. Please refer to Attachment C for the Resolution of Support detailing the projects. The motion passed unanimously.

**(3) Next Meeting:**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Business Affairs Committee will be held on Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 A.M.

The Public Session adjourned at 9:30 A.M.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Business Affairs Committee convened into an Executive Session to discuss potential legal contracts and real estate transactions.

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Attachments**

**ATTACHMENT A**  
**FUNDING FOR ACTIONS ITEMS**

**BUSINESS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**(COMMITTEE AS A WHOLE)**

**AGENDA: MARCH 3, 2022**

<b>Agenda No.</b>	<b>Vendor/Consultant</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Source</b>
1	Dell	\$334,152	Perkins Grant (\$191,730)/Bond Proceeds (\$142,422)

## **ATTACHMENT B**

**Computer Purchase from Dell to Support Students at the Career  
for the Advanced Technology Center**

**Detailed Listing of all the Technology Components**



**ATTACHMENT C**

**Resolution of Support for  
2022-23 PDE Capital Applications**

**COLLEGE:** Community College of Philadelphia

**TITLE:** FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 PDE CAPITAL PROJECTS APPLICATIONS  
Board of Trustees

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF PHILADELPHIA APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF PDE APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING CAPITAL PROJECTS:**

**PROJECT**

**NAME:** New Project: Health and Life Sciences Building

Already a health care hub of the United States, Philadelphia is emerging as the *Cellicon* capital of the country. The life sciences and health care industries are driving the engine of growth for the city and the state. The Health and Life Sciences building embodies Community College of Philadelphia's commitment to preparing the leaders and workforce of tomorrow for the industries. The building will feature the most technologically advanced collaborative learning spaces, state of the art simulation classrooms, and advanced life science laboratories. The building will house programs that will train students in the areas of nursing, dental hygiene, biology, and workforce development programs in pharmaceutical and cellular biology. The building is aimed at fostering a spirit of collaborative teaching and learning amongst students and faculty.

**Estimated Total Cost of Project** \$45,000,000

**PROJECT**

**NAME:** New Project: Simulation/Skills Lab for Nursing & Other Allied Health Programs

Enhancements are needed in the West Building to create a state of the art simulation/skills lab environment that can be used by the Nursing and Allied Health programs to allow for skill development and interprofessional education and experiences for the students in these programs. The current lab configuration is not optimal and lacks adequate space. The enhancement will allow for better clinical group simulations, coaching and mentoring activities and would allow for additional lab sections to be run simultaneously. Included with the enhancements would be the creation of two dedicated simulation labs with an adjacent control room. The space would mimic a hospital room and have the appropriate technology to live-feed and record the simulations. A small computer room for student use would also be added. With this enhancement there will be student opportunities to experience the lab components of nursing, respiratory, diagnostic imaging, dental and clinical lab technician as part of the Allied Health 101 course. Instructors and students will have better access to technology rich tools for acquiring knowledge that will lead to improved student outcomes.

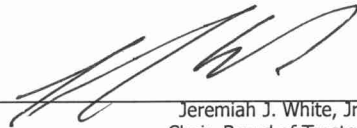
**Estimated Total Cost of Project** \$725,000  
**Cash Project**

**PROJECT**

**NAME:** Carry Over Project: Physics Instructional Space Enhancements

The enhancement of the Physics learning environment consists of facilitating an integrated lecture and laboratory approach, providing easy access to technology and space for demonstration, increased and more efficient space utilization for materials handling / storage, and re-structuring of areas for lab preparation that are needed to support the new technologies, the state-of-the-art equipment and evolving pedagogy of the fields of Physics and Engineering Science. This update will include life-safety and improve accessibility throughout. Instructors and students will have technology rich tools for discovering information and acquiring knowledge thus creating an interactive environment that will foster the ability to exchange information and improve the students' learning experience and course outcomes. The estimated costs for the enhancements to the Physics instructional space are \$627,000 which includes all equipment.

**Estimated Total Cost of Project** \$627,000  
**Cash Project**



Jeremiah J. White, Jr.  
Chair, Board of Trustees

Date of  
Board  
Approval:

Community College of Philadelphia

March 3, 2022