



Monday, September 16, 2002

BOT approves auxiliary operating budgets

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The budgets include updates on the operations for each auxiliary, indicate plans for the coming year and establish any necessary rates for 2002-2003.

Other items present to the board:

- The board was presented with a proposal to demolish the canopy and vestibule structures between North and South Foundation halls as part of the Oakland Center expansion project. Following the demolition, North and South Foundation halls would be restored where the canopy joined them and an updated, more aesthetically pleasing vestibule would be constructed for South Foundation Hall.
The project, which is estimated at \$350,000, would improve the area between the two buildings and provide a more inviting "gateway" to the Oakland Center addition, said Rusty Postlewate, associate vice president for facilities management, who presented the proposal. The board will vote on the proposal during its Oct. 2 voting session.
- The board was presented with a proposal to renovate the School of Nursing offices and lab. Under the proposal, the School of Nursing's multi-media lab on the second floor of O'Dowd Hall would be upgraded to expand the capacity, improve the environment and better integrate the nursing lab operations. Repairs also would take place on most of the fourth floor of O'Dowd Hall to consolidate the School of Nursing offices from the third floor. When the project is completed, there would be an office for each full-time faculty member as well as office space for part-time faculty members. The board will vote on the proposal during its Oct. 2 voting session.

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