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Board of Trustees approves ancillary budgets

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Projected budgets for fiscal years ending June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007 were approved for Campus Recreation, Graham Health Center, Intercollegiate Athletics, Lowry Early Childhood Center, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Meadow Brook Theatre, the Oakland Center and University Housing.

Because of the uncertainty of the budget situation – the Legislature is still working on the state budget – the board also proposed and approved an amendment that establishes a 90-day freeze on all new capital projects on campus. The freeze would not affect those projects already under way, and the amendment gives President Gary Russi the power to approve any projects that are considered necessary in emergency situations.

The board also approved all the items on the consent agenda and a new contract with Aramark to provide custodial services on campus.

The board elected new officers for the coming year. Current Vice Chair Penny Crissman will serve as board chair this year, and Dennis Pawley will serve as vice chair. The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be a working session at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 15, in Elliott Hall Auditorium.

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