

Southern Illinois University
Board of Trustees
December 9, 2010

PLANNING APPROVAL:
INDOOR SOFTBALL PRACTICE FACILITY, SIUE

Summary

This matter seeks planning approval for an indoor practice facility for the SIUE softball program at the Edwardsville campus to determine the scope and cost of the work. Final project and budget approval will require further Board action.

Rationale for Adoption

The women's softball team is in need of an indoor off-season practice facility that can also be used to store equipment. The proposed building would be approximately 110' x 110' and located to the west of the existing softball clubhouse. It would accommodate a minimum of four batting cages and include a synthetic turf for practicing on an indoor field. The building will incorporate the University's Design Guidelines for buildings beyond the core campus and will include a pre-engineered metal building with a standing seam metal sloped roof with split-faced block for the exterior in order to match the adjacent buildings.

A Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) process selected Oates Associates to design the project. An architect, independent of the consulting architect, will provide design and document review of the plans and specifications on behalf of the Board prior to bidding.

The nature of this project and its source of funds cause it to be defined as a non-instructional capital improvement financed with local funds. Therefore, approval of the Illinois Board of Higher Education will be required prior to the commitment of funds.

Considerations Against Adoption

University officers are aware of none.

Constituency Involvement

This matter is recommended for approval by the Chancellor and the Vice Chancellor for Administration, SIUE.

Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University in regular meeting assembled, That:

1) Development of plans and cost estimates for an Indoor Softball Practice Facility, SIUE be and is hereby approved.

2) The President of Southern Illinois University is hereby authorized to take whatever action may be required in execution of this resolution in accordance with established policies and procedures.