#### **BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

#### REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE AND BOARD ACTION

**COMMITTEE:** Fiscal Affairs and Administrative Policy **NO**.: FAAP 06-09

**COMMITTEE DATE**: December 8, 2005 **BOARD DATE**: December 15, 2005

# APPROVAL OF MASSACHUSETTS STATE COLLEGE BUILDING AUTHORITY PROJECTS PERTAINING TO RESIDENCE HALLS

MOVED: MASSACHUSETTS STATE COLLEGE BUILDING AUTHORITY REPAIR AND RENOVATION OF RESIDENCE HALLS (FY '07)

- The Chancellor of the System of Public Higher Education (the "Chancellor") is authorized and directed in the name and on behalf of the Board of Higher Education (the "Board") to make a written request to the Massachusetts State College Building Authority (the "Authority") that the Authority initiate the projects described in EXHIBIT A attached hereto.
- Bonds issued by the Authority to finance the projects for which a request is hereby authorized may be issued together with or separately from bonds issued to carry out other projects of the Authority for which the Board authorizes a request.
- 3. The Chancellor and all other officers of the Board, each acting singly, are authorized to request the Commissioner of Administration to approve in writing the initiation by the Authority of the projects for which a request is hereby authorized, and to do such other things and to take such other action as the officer so acting shall, as conclusively evidenced by the taking of such action, deem necessary or desirable to be done or taken to carry into effect the matters hereby authorized.
- 4. The Board and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, acting by and through the Board, declare their official intent under §1.150-2(d)(1) and (e) of the Treasury Regulations as follows:

The Board reasonably expects that there shall be reimbursed from the proceeds of bonds issued by the Authority, expenditures (including expenditures made within the last 60 days) temporarily advanced by the Commonwealth (including within such term the Board and the State Colleges) for the projects for which a written request is hereby authorized, the maximum principal amount of such bonds expected to be issued, all or a portion of the proceeds of which are reasonably expected to be used for such reimbursement purposes, being \$12,200,000.

Authority: MGL Chapter 15A, Section 6, MGL Chapter 73 app.

Contact: Kurt T. Steinberg, Associate Vice Chancellor for Fiscal Policy

## **EXHIBIT A**

1. The carrying out of improvements, renovations, repairs and other works on and the provision and installation of furniture, furnishings, fixtures and other equipment for some or all of the following facilities owned by the Massachusetts State College Building Authority or used by the state colleges:

State College	Facilities			
Bridgewater State College	Great Hill Apartments Miles/DiNardo Pope Scott Shea/Durgin Woodward			
Fitchburg State College	Apartments Aubuchon Herlihy Mara Village Russell			
Framingham State College	Corinne Foster Horace Mann Larned Linsley O'Connor Peirce			
Massachusetts College of Art	Smith Hall			
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	Berkshire Flagg Townhouses Hoosac			
Massachusetts Maritime Academy	Companies 1-6			
Salem State College	Bates Complex Bowditch Peabody			
Westfield State College	Apartments Courtney Hall Davis Dickinson Lammers Scanlon			

#### Chandler Village Dowden Hall

- 2. The carrying out of improvements, renovations, and other work on and the provision and installation of furniture, furnishings, fixtures, and other equipment for other buildings, structures, or facilities now or hereafter owned or leased by the Authority, or used by the State Colleges, and which the Authority is authorized to provide.
- 3. The carrying out of planning and design services, including obtaining cost estimates, revenue estimates, construction drawings and specifications, feasibility studies, surveys, and site analyses to determine the feasibility, approximate size, scope, purposes, location, and other characteristics of any building, structure, or facility the Authority is authorized by Chapter 703 of the Acts of 1963, as amended, to provide.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The residence hall repair projects in this request are a continuation of the work started five years ago to improve the condition of the state college residence halls from an average rating of poor to good. These projects are consistent with the MSCBA strategic plan and are estimated to include the following scope and costs:

#### **Description**

- a. \$11 million project fund to fund next phases of on-going residence hall repair projects at Bridgewater, Framingham, and Westfield State Colleges, and Massachusetts Maritime Academy.
- b. Buildings built between 1954 and 1976.
- c. Scope of work includes asbestos removal, sprinkler and fire alarm installations, access improvements, bathroom renovations and ventilation upgrades, and interior finish renewal.
- d. Construction required to accommodate student occupancy without loss of revenue; work to be performed primarily during the summer and vacation periods, to be substantially complete during 2007.

## **Project Funding**

College	Building	Project	New Bond Funds
Bridgewater	Pope and Scott Halls	Sprinkler, Fire Alarm, and Access	\$5,000,000
Framingham	Larned Hall	Exterior Repair/Interior Renewal	\$1,000,000
MMA	Companies 1-2	Interior Renewal	\$1,000,000
Westfield	Scanlon Hall	Access, Interior Renewal	\$4,000,000

Subtotal\$11,000,000DSRF, COI, pricing contingency (estimated)\$1,200,000TOTAL REPAIR BOND ISSUE\$12,200,000

### **Rent Impact to Students**

Due to the debt structure envisioned for the 2006A bond sale, no increases in rent are anticipated during the FY07 fiscal year to support this project fund.

Student Rent		FY08 Projected Increases					
FY07	FY08	2006A		Other		Total	
4,157	4,365	\$75	1.8%	\$133	3.2%	\$208	5.0%