

November 5, 2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Regents

FROM: David L. Buhler

SUBJECT: Utah State University – Kaysville Education Center Addition

Issue

Utah State University (USU) has requested authorization to construct a 6,000 square foot addition to the existing Kaysville Education Center.

Background

The Kaysville Education Center was constructed in 2010 with donated funds. Enrollment at the Center has increased by nearly 50 percent (from 352 students in 2010 to 509 students in 2014) which has required USU to use off-campus leased space to accommodate the demand. They are proposing to add distance education classrooms, offices, and study space to the existing facility.

The estimated cost of the project is \$2 million, which will be financed by private gifts and departmental funds. The provisions of Regents policy R710, Capital Facilities require Regent approval for capital development projects over \$1 million. The ongoing O&M costs will be funded with Regional Campuses income.

The project was approved by the USU Trustees on October 24, 2014. A letter from the University and a schematic drawing of the proposed facility are attached. University officials will be in attendance at the meeting to provide additional information and respond to questions from the Regents.

Commissioner's Recommendation

The Commissioner recommends that the Regents authorize USU to proceed with this project by presenting it to the State Building Board for final approval.

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David L. Buhler  
Commissioner of Higher Education

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Attachment

October 24, 2014

Commissioner David L. Buhler  
Utah State Board of Regents  
Board of Regents Building The Gateway  
60 South 400 West  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84101-1284

Dear Commissioner Buhler:

Utah State University desires approval to construct a 6,000 square foot addition to the existing Kaysville Education Center at the Utah State University Botanical Center.

The addition will include state-of-the-art distance education classrooms, offices, and study space to accommodate increased enrollment and future growth. Student enrollment has increased from 352 students in 2010 to 509 students in 2014 making it necessary to lease space off campus to accommodate the increased number of students.

The project will cost approximately \$2,000,000. Funding for this project will be from private gifts and departmental funds. Ongoing operations and maintenance will be funded by Regional Campuses.

We appreciate your support and ask that you present this item to the Board of Regents for approval. This request received Board of Trustees approval on October 24, 2014.

Sincerely,



David T. Cowley  
Vice President  
for Business & Finance

cc: Greg Stauffer, Associate Commissioner for Planning, Finance & Facilities  
Stan Albrecht, President

