



Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges

Meeting Date: **September 10, 2026**

Agenda Item: **4.4**

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

Committee: **Fiscal, Facilities, & Audit Committee**

Action Item: **Unappropriated Cash Funds for Brandenburg, ARC Final Phase, and Soccer/Rugby Field Projects - WSC**

Wayne State College requests Board approval to use a total of \$6,121,000 in unappropriated cash funds for the following three projects in the amounts provided below.

Brandenburg Renovation & Addition Project:

Wayne State College requests Board approval to use \$2,400,000 of unappropriated cash funds on a one-time basis for this \$19 million dollar project. In addition to using College cash funds, the College plans to use other funds as indicated in this project funding summary.

College Cash	\$2,400,000
LB 309 Task Force	\$2,000,000
State Funds	\$0
Capital Impr. Fees	\$1,600,000
Fundraising/Grants	\$13,000,000
Federal	<u>\$0</u>
Total Funding	\$19,000,000

It should be noted that about half the cost of the overall Brandenburg project addresses large-scale maintenance & repair (M&R) by completely modernizing the existing HVAC systems and public restrooms per codes, and replacing the existing windows.

Using \$2.4 million in unappropriated cash funds for the Brandenburg Renovation and Addition Project is imperative to complete the project and to leverage \$13 million in donations and grant money.

ARC Final Phase Project:

Wayne State College requests Board approval for the use of \$3,635,000 of unappropriated cash funds on a one-time basis for the final phase of the Athletic and Recreation Complex (ARC) project. The scope of this final phase includes renovating the Lobby of the Rice Arena to enlarge the restrooms as required by codes, to relocate offices to the Wellness Center, and to replace two air handling units.

In addition to using College cash funds, the Wayne State Foundation has committed to raising \$1,500,000 towards this phase of the project; and per the next Board item on the agenda, the College plans to use contingency maintenance funds in the amount of \$349,200 to round out the funding needed to complete the project. The total project is estimated to cost \$5,484,200.

Soccer/Rugby Field Lights Installation Project:

Wayne State College requests Board approval to use \$86,000 of unappropriated cash funds on a one-time basis for the Soccer-Rugby Field Lights Installation project. In addition to using College cash funds, the College plans to use \$339,000 in Sports Facility Cash Funds which the Board approved on March 20, 2025, and which will be available October 1, 2026. The total project is anticipated to cost no more than \$425,000.

The System Office recommends approval to use Unappropriated Cash Funds for Brandenburg, ARC Final Phase, and Soccer/Rugby Field Projects at Wayne State College.