

**MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Agenda Item Summary Sheet

Committee: Finance and Facilities Committee **Date of Meeting:** January 16, 2013

Agenda Item: Approval of Joint Powers Agreement, Southwest Minnesota State University

Proposed Policy Change Approvals Required by Policy Other Approvals Monitoring

Information

Cite policy requirement, or explain why item is on the Board agenda:

Southwest Minnesota State University (SMSU) seeks approval of a joint powers agreement (JPA), which establishes a governing structure with Independent School District No. 413 (Marshall, MN), for the financing, leasing, renovation and ongoing operations of the former Mattke Field site now known as the Marshall Regional Track and Field Complex located on the campus of Southwest Minnesota State University.

Scheduled Presenter(s): Brian Yolitz, Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities
Ron Wood, President-Southwest Minnesota State University

Outline of Key Points/Policy Issues:

The upgraded field complex will provide opportunities for better offerings to both university and high school/middle school students. The upgrades also represent a local partnership with the high school to invest in a shared field complex in a much more cost effective manner than constructing two separate fields in two separate locations.

Background Information:

The subject of the joint powers agreement is a \$2.88 million upgrade to the former Mattke Field site. Upgrades to the site were contemplated in the SMSU Facilities Master Plan, which was last updated in 2006. The project involves upgrading the track and soccer field in partnership with Independent School District 413 to create the Marshall Regional Track and Field Complex.

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ACTION ITEM

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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BACKGROUND

The subject of the joint powers agreement is a \$2.88 million upgrade to the former Mattke Field site. Upgrades to the site were contemplated in the SMSU Facilities Master Plan, which was last updated in 2006.

The project involves upgrading the track and soccer field in partnership with Independent School District 413 to create the Marshall Regional Track and Field Complex. Once completed, the upgraded field complex will provide opportunities for better offerings to both university and high school/middle school students. The upgrades also represent a local partnership with the high school to invest in a shared field complex in a much more cost effective manner than constructing two separate fields in two separate locations. The upgrades will also support the university in Title IX compliance issues. The State of Minnesota has designated the community as the home of the Southwest Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission, which supports the regional development of athletic venues.

The joint powers agreement outlines the capital and operating contributions to the project and establishes a supervisory management committee, which operates like a joint powers board, comprised of leadership from both the university and school district.

The supervisory management committee is tasked with managing the design, bid, construction, and operations, including repair and maintenance of the facility. Under the agreement, the University will be responsible for execution of the design and construction project, including preparation of specifications, the bid process, and general conditions regarding construction supervision. The university will also retain responsibility for ongoing operations and repair, subject to agreement from the school district. For all future improvements to the complex, the committee will evaluate the long range capital and repair

plan for the complex. The parties have kept financing options flexible for these long range planning options.

PROJECT

The project specifically involves the following improvements:

1. Renovating and enlarging the existing track surface to a new 9-lane double bend 400-meter track,
2. Expanding the size of the soccer field and upgrading the soccer field turf from natural grass to synthetic,
3. Adding track and field event areas, which includes long and triple jump pits, pole vault runways, shot put and discus areas,
4. Adding a new lighting system to accommodate night time events,
5. Constructing a 30'x 50' equipment storage facility.

The university has completed a predesign for the work, and is preparing to move ahead with the next phase of design work. The university intends to cover the initial outlay of funds for the design and construction of the project from its operating budget, estimated to cost approximately \$2.88 million. In turn, the university will recoup approximately half of the initial capital outlay through a lease back to the school district. For its part, the school district has passed a lease levy to support the project and the lease back. The school district will enter into a 10 year lease with the University for a total lease amount during the term of \$1.593 million.

STUDENT CONSULTATION

In support of Board Policy 2.3, student consultation is an integral part of the overall process. The administration met in sessions with Student Senators and the entire Student Senate during the fall semester of 2011 to determine their interest in the project and the outcomes that benefited the students. During the spring semester the Student Senate reviewed in open meetings the predesign plans including estimated costs. The student body voted to approve the project in a referendum in the spring of 2012. A copy of the student consultation letter is contained in **Attachment B**.

RECOMMENDED COMMITTEE ACTION:

The Finance and Facilities Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees adopt the following motion:

The Board of Trustees authorizes execution by the chancellor or his designee of a joint powers agreement that establishes a governing structure to finance, construct and manage operations of the upgraded Mattke Field located on the Southwest Minnesota State University campus in Marshall, Minnesota.

RECOMMENDED BOARD OF TRUSTEES MOTION:

The Board of Trustees authorizes execution by the chancellor or his designee of a joint powers agreement that establishes a governing structure to finance, construct and manage operations of the upgraded Mattke Field located on the Southwest Minnesota State University campus in Marshall, Minnesota.

Date submitted to the Board of Trustees: January 16, 2013



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PROJECT
MARSHALL TRACK REGIONAL TRACK & FIELD COMPLEX

MARSHALL MINNESOTA

- Roadway
- Pedestrian Path
- Track Surface
- Synthetic Turf



To: Chancellor Steven Rosenstone

From: Kyle Berndt, President Southwest Minnesota State University Student Association

Date: 
November 29, 2012

Subject: Old Mattke Field Student Fee Referendum

I am writing to inform you of a Southwest Minnesota State University (SMSU) student referendum that was to renovate old Mattke Field into a usable athletic complex, specifically a Track and Field complex. This referendum passed in the April Student Association elections.

The consultation process regarding the Old Mattke Field Student Fee Referendum went very well. The conversation regarding such started on October 18, 2011 at the regularly scheduled Student Association Meet & Discuss. Throughout the year it was discussed and students were involved in the development of; cost per student; and timeline of fees. The referendum was voted on and placed on the ballot by the SMSU Student Association on April 5, 2012 with a vote of 10-0-1.

The referendum was then placed on the ballot to be voted upon by the SMSU student body. This passed on April 20, 2012 with a strong vote of support and the results were presented in their weekly Senate report by Judicial Board Coordinator, Matt Paulson, on April 26, 2012.

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