

**AGENDA FOR TELECONFERENCE MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS
February 6, 2012
4:00 P.M.**

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**Mr. Bobby Reynolds –Chair
Mr. Victor Green – Vice Chair
Mrs. Kay Hinkle – Secretary
Ms. Elizabeth Farris
Mr. Rush Harding, III
Mr. Brad Lacy
Mr. Scott Roussel**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. ACTION AGENDA

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IV. ADJOURNMENT

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Last year, the Board of Trustees approved moving forward with a project developed by the Student Government Association (“SGA”) known as the SGA’s Big Project. It involves the construction of an amphitheater between the Student Center and Ida Waldran Auditorium.

The initial funds for the project totaled \$300,000. The Board committed \$112,500 from the Board of Trustees Fund, Mr. Harding donated \$112,500, and the other funds came from the SGA and the Department of Housing. Not including design fees and other costs, the initial construction costs are estimated to be approximately \$268,000.00.

The Board approved a resolution at its meeting on December 16, 2011, authorizing the construction of the amphitheater in the area between the Student Center and Ida Waldran Auditorium, as opposed to another design placing it close to Ferguson Chapel.

The architect has now completed the design for the amphitheater, and the plans have been provided to the Board within the last week. If the plans are approved by the Board, bids will be solicited to establish actual construction costs. The bids will be evaluated by a committee and a contractor will be selected. If the construction costs are in excess of \$250,000, it will be brought to the Board for review and consideration at a future date.

The goal is to have the amphitheater constructed and in operation by the opening of the fall semester of this year.

The purpose of this agenda item is to request the Board’s approval of the architect’s plans. The architect has estimated that the construction costs for the plans as drawn exceed the projected construction budget (\$268,000). Therefore, the architect has identified the following eliminations/deductive alternatives for consideration by prospective bidders:

1. Arbor above the stage (metal tube piping) will be eliminated;
2. Deductive alternates for the back columns to reduce their height to match the columns on the side of the amphitheater;
3. If the height of the columns is reduced, then the panels would also be removed; and
4. Deductive alternate for the brick (if the brick is removed, the finish will be basic concrete).

The Physical Plant and architect agreed that with these modifications, the project will be constructed so that the brick and arbor can easily be added in the future if additional funds become available.

Therefore, the Chair of the Board of Trustees and the President recommends to the Board of Trustees, the following resolution:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the plans for the SGA Amphitheater are hereby approved with the modifications set forth in the write-up, and the Administration is authorized to proceed with requesting construction bids for the project, with such bids to include costs to add the brick and arbor to the project.”