AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

1. NAME OF ITEM: Lewiston Auburn College Laboratory Renovations, USM

2. INITIATED BY: Norman L. Fournier, Chair

3. BOARD INFORMATION: BOARD ACTION: X

4. BACKGROUND:

The University of Southern Maine requests approval to spend up to $600,000 of General Obligation Bond Funds approved by voters in November 2013 to renovate laboratory space at Lewiston Auburn College.

This request is pursuant to Board policy 701 which requires projects with a total cost of more than $500,000 to be considered by the Board of Trustees or its Finance, Facilities and Technology Committee depending on the particulars of the project. In this case, the request is within the purview of the Committee to approve without further consideration by the Board of Trustees.

Lewiston Auburn College requires additional lab space for its Occupational Therapy program and its Anatomy and Physiology coursework. This would be accomplished by renovating existing ITV classroom space. Additionally, this will also accomplish modest renovations to provide necessary infrastructure for new headboard equipment for one existing Nursing lab.

This project repurposes currently occupied space but does not increase facility space. Any change in operating costs is expected to be negligible. The project construction is expected to be complete by September 2015. Final project close-out is expected by September 2016.

5. TEXT OF PROPOSED RESOLUTION:

That the Finance, Facilities and Technology Committee approves the expenditure of up to $600,000 from the proceeds of General Obligation Bond funds approved by voters in November 2013 to renovate laboratories at Lewiston Auburn College.

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