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**IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY BUILDING DEMOLITIONS**

**Action Requested:** Consider approving the demolition of the following buildings on the Iowa State University campus:

1. Ag Engineering Shed and Industrial Education 1 buildings to prepare for construction of the new Chemistry Facilities Building.
2. Fisher-Nickell Hall to complete the Hixson-Lied Student Success Center project.

**(ROLL CALL VOTE)**

**Executive Summary:**

**Ag Engineering Shed and the Industrial Education 1 Building**

Iowa State University needs to raze the Ag Engineering Shed (built in 1931) and the Industrial Education 1 Building, (built in 1963) to prepare for construction of the new Chemistry Facilities Building for which the Board approved the schematic design, project description, and budget at its October 31<sup>st</sup> meeting. Functions in these buildings will be relocated to Davidson Hall, Industrial Education 2, and Old Library Storage.

The two buildings have approximately 18,000 gross square feet, with a total building cost value of approximately \$270,000. The Ag Engineering Shed is a converted machine shed, and Industrial Education 1 houses four dysfunctional laboratories, with many deferred maintenance deficiencies. Both buildings have reached the end of their useful lives, as well as being technologically obsolete. Their removal will reduce the University's long-term deferred maintenance needs.

The razing of the two buildings is estimated to cost \$90,000 and is a component part of the Chemistry Facilities project which is funded by Capital Appropriations, Academic Building Revenue Bonds, Private Giving, and University Resources.

**Fisher-Nickell Hall**

Fisher-Nickell Hall was constructed in 1952 as a home management facility affiliated with the College of Home Economics. When home management programs were discontinued, it was used to meet the needs of several temporary occupants. Currently, the Alumni Association is using the building until completion of the Alumni Center.

Fisher-Nickell has 9,599 gross square feet and a building cost value of \$233,260. The schematic design for the Hixson-Lied Student Success Center, approved by the Board of Regents in December 2004, indicated this building would be demolished when the Alumni Center was completed. Razing the building will allow for the completion of the Hixson-Lied project with the development of the parking lot/service court and final landscaping as presented to the Board. Its removal will also enhance the courtyard area that is part of the Richardson Court student housing area.

Fisher-Nickell has a number of serious deficiencies and has reached the end of its useful life. The building does not meet minimal accessibility codes, and changes to the facility are not practical. The HVAC systems are failing and are not appropriate for continued use. The asbestos tile roof leaks and would be prohibitively expensive to replace.

The estimate for razing Fisher-Nickell is \$85,000 and would be funded by Private Giving as part of the Hixson-Lied Student Success Center project.

Approval of the demolitions is requested in accordance with Iowa Code Iowa Code §262.11 and the Board's Policy Manual Chapter 9.02 which requires the Board to approve the disposal of buildings with an estimated value of \$10,000 or more.

Additional information is available from the Board Office.