ACTION ITEM #1
WSU Pullman, Plant Sciences Building (REC-5), Pre-Design
(Roger Patterson/Olivia Yang)

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

SUBJECT: WSU Pullman, Plant Sciences Building (REC-5), Pre-Design

PROPOSED: That the Board of Regents authorize the Plant Sciences Building (REC-5) project to proceed to pre-design, and further delegate authority to the President or his designee to enter into any and all contracts necessary to complete the pre-design within the budgeted amount of $500,000, and to use the Design-Build (DB) process pursuant to RCW 39.10.

SUBMITTED BY: Roger Patterson, Vice President for Finance and Administration

SUPPORING INFORMATION: The Plant Sciences Building (REC-5) advances the development of the Research and Education Complex east of Stadium Way, which houses research laboratories engaged in the advancement of science and technology in the areas of plant biochemistry, plant pathology, horticulture and crops and soils sciences.

As the next building in the Research and Educational Complex, this new building would become an integral part of the series of interconnected facilities that encourage interdisciplinary collaboration among the institution’s leading scientists, representing the College of Agriculture, Human and Natural Resource Science, the College of Veterinary Medicine, and the College of Arts and Sciences. This new facility would allow these and other programs to be relocated from antiquated structures around campus. A new, modern facility is needed to enhance WSU’s capacity to support and attract new scientists and students, and retain members of the highly productive faculty active in these units.

The proposed location of this new 100,000 sq. ft. building is consistent with the WSU-Pullman Master Plan and would contribute to the development of the Graduate and Research area of the Master Plan east of Stadium Way.
The University has received $500,000 for the pre-design in the 2013-15 state capital process, through a legislative appropriation from WSU’s building fee and trust land revenue account. The University plans to request the design and construction funding in the 2015-17 State capital request, and if funded, plans to use the Design-Build construction procurement method, as it will provide the most cost effective approach, budget certainty, an opportunity for design and construction collaboration, and the highest potential for creativity in meeting program requirements.
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WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of Washington State University by virtue of RCW 28B.10.528 has authority to delegate by resolution to the President of the University, or designee, powers and duties vested in or imposed upon the Board by law and to enable the President, or designee to act on behalf of the Board of Regents in matters relating to the administration and governance of the University.

RESOLVED: That the Board of Regents authorize the Plant Sciences Building (REC-5) project to proceed to pre-design, and further delegate authority to the President or his designee to enter into any and all contracts necessary to complete the pre-design within the budgeted amount of $500,000, and to use the Design-Build (DB) process pursuant to RCW 39.10.

Dated this 4th day of October, 2013.

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Chair, Board of Regents

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Secretary, Board of Regents