

## **Board of Trustees of the University of Oregon**

### **Seconded Motion: Preliminary Approval for ZIRC Renovation**

Whereas, the University of Oregon is committed to providing faculty with physical space necessary to conduct scholarship and research;

Whereas, The UO is home to the Zebrafish International Resource Center (ZIRC), constructed in 1999 and which helps solidify the UO's ongoing reputation as the global pioneer and leader in zebrafish-based research;

Whereas, the UO has applied for a grant offered by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to pay for nearly all of the costs associated with needed renovations to the ZIRC facility;

Whereas, the Board wishes to demonstrate its support for ZIRC and the associated grant proposal;

Whereas, ORS 352.107(1)(k) grants the University of Oregon the authority to engage in the construction, development, furnishing, equipping, and other actions relating to buildings and structures;

Whereas, University of Oregon policies require approval by the Board of Trustees for a capital project budget that is anticipated to exceed \$5,000,000;

Whereas, the approximate cost of this project is \$8,000,000, which would be covered primarily by the aforementioned grant with some additional support from available resources in the Office of the vice President for Research and Innovation (for moderate costs not expendable under the grant); and,

Whereas, the Finance and Facilities Committee has referred this matter to the full Board as a seconded motion, recommending passage;

Now, therefore, the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the President and his designee(s) to take all actions necessary and proper to obtain grant funding from the NIH for purposes of renovating the ZIRC facility and begin appropriate associated planning for the project. The project is considered preliminarily approved, but the President or his designee(s) are expected to report back to on the project's development and seek final approval of the overall budget once established. If the grant is not obtained, all approvals herein are revoked.

*--Vote Recorded on the Following Page--*

VOTE: Voice Vote Recorded – Ayes carried (no dissention)

DATE: March 5, 2019

Recorded by the University Secretary: 