



PURDUE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

PHYSICAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE

JUNE 5, 2026 | MINUTES

A meeting of the Physical Facilities Committee of the Board of Trustees convened at 10:11 a.m. on Friday, June 5, 2026, in Room 326 of Stewart Center on the campus of Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana.

Committee members present: Michael Klipsch, chair; Sonny Beck; Theresa Carter; and Reagan Koester. Trustees present were: JoAnn Brouillette; Vanessa Castagna; Malcolm DeKryger; Gary Lehman; David Ricks; and Shawn Taylor.

Officers and administrators in attendance were: Mung Chiang, president; Patrick Wolfe, provost; Chris Ruhl, chief financial officer and treasurer; Steve Schultz, senior vice president and general counsel; and Cindy Ream, corporate secretary and senior executive assistant to the Board.

I. (WL) APPROVAL TO PLAN, FINANCE, CONSTRUCT AND AWARD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS FOR THE ARMORY FIRST FLOOR MECHANICAL SYSTEM REPLACEMENT AND CLASSROOM RENOVATIONS*

Jay Wasson, vice president and chief public safety officer, provided details for the Armory First Floor Mechanical System Replacement and Classroom Renovations. The project will provide improved and modernized classrooms for student instruction, primarily for the Military Science and Technology program. The mechanical system upgrades will provide better heating, cooling and ventilation. This will result in more reliable and efficient building operations. The project will be funded with operating funds, and the estimated total project cost is \$3,550,000. Construction will begin in May 2027 with an anticipated completion date of August 2027. Mr. Wasson requested approval to plan, finance and award construction contracts for the Armory First Floor Mechanical System Replacement and Classroom Renovations. He noted this project does require full board approval.

Upon proper motion duly made and seconded, the Physical Facilities Committee voted unanimously to recommend full Board approval to Plan, Finance, Construct and Award Construction Contracts for the Armory First Floor Mechanical System Replacement and Classroom Renovations. Supporting materials were filed with the minutes.

II. APPROVAL TO AMEND BYLAWS, ARTICLE VII

Steve Schultz, General Counsel, respectfully submitted for approval amendments to Article VII of the Bylaws that would increase the monetary threshold requiring Board and Committee approval from \$2 million to \$3 million for certain capital projects, real estate transactions, and contracts. The change is intended to align Purdue's internal approval processes with recent changes in Indiana law established through Senate Enrolled Act 204-2026, which raised the state approval threshold for construction and land acquisition projects from \$2 million to \$3 million.

Under the proposed revisions, projects costing between \$2 million and \$3 million would still be reported to the State Budget Committee but would no longer require formal approval by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education and the State Budget Committee. Contracts of \$1 million or more would continue to be reported to the appropriate Board committees.

The amendments also include a procedural change to streamline the change-order approval process. The proposed revision clarifies that change orders do not require additional Committee or Board approval if project costs remain within the total budget previously authorized by the Board, reflecting a project-management practice that has been successfully used by the university for many years.

Upon proper motion duly made and seconded, the Physical Facilities Committee voted unanimously to recommend full Board approval to Amend Bylaws, Article VII. Supporting materials, including a memorandum from counsel and an exhibit depicting the actual proposed changes to the Bylaws, were filed with the minutes.

By consent, the meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.