BACKGROUND

On March 17, 2009 the Board of Trustees approved the project and authorized bidding for the Science/ Math and Central Plant Complex, Increments No 2 & 3, Site Development & Building Project (305A), otherwise known as “SMCP Increment 2/3.” The project has two “increments” (phases) of work as follows:

Increment 2: the demolition of Dickson Hall, Dance Center, Disabled Students building, greenhouse, site utilities and site clearing.

Increment 3: the construction of a new 77,000 SF building primarily used for teaching Science and Math and a new Central Plant for campus utilities. The project also includes coordination and completion of all underground and above ground site development projects in the project boundary.

The bid opening is scheduled for Tuesday, May 25, 2010 at 2:00PM and the contract will be presented at the following Board meeting for ratification. The Board of Trustees is asked to award a construction contract to the lowest responsive bidder following successful completion of the mandatory five business day bid protest period ending on Tuesday, June 1, 2010, with the understanding that the bid is less than the engineer’s final estimate for construction.

FISCAL IMPACT

The final construction cost estimate for this contract is $48,341,000. The contract will be paid from bond funds budgeted for the Science Math Central Plant Complex Increment No 2 & 3 Site Development & Building Project (305A).

RECOMMENDATION

The Superintendent/President recommends that the Board award a construction contract for the Science Math Central Plant Complex Increment No 2 & 3 Site Development & Building Project (305A) to the lowest responsive bidder following successful completion of the five business day protest period with the understanding that the bid is less than the engineer’s final estimate for construction.