III. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of Minutes

April 21, 2008 Board Meeting

B. Executive Session Minutes – Open Meetings Act

Section 2.06(c) of the Open Meetings Act requires that the Board of Trustees review the minutes of all executive sessions at least semi-annually to determine whether the need for confidentiality still exists as to all or part of those minutes. Minutes of executive sessions, or portions thereof, which no longer require confidential treatment must be made available for public inspection.

In order to comply with this provision, Board Counsel is reviewing executive session minutes and will provide the Board recommendations as to whether or not all or part of those minutes should remain confidential.

C. **FY09 Budget Overview**Information on the University's FY 2009 all funds budget is included on the following pages. A presentation will be made to the Board regarding the University's Financial Plan for FY 2009.

<u>It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the University's FY2009Financial Plan.</u>

C. FY09 Budget Overview (Cont.)

TABLE 1. SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR BUDGETED REVENUES

	FY08	80	PROJECTED	ō	HANGE BETV	CHANGE BETVEEN FY08 and FY00	
FUND SOURCE OPERATING FUNDS	ORIGINALLY BUDGETED	ESTIMATED REVENUES	BUDGET FOR FY09	CHANGE FROM FY08 ORIGINAL BUDGET DOLLARS PERCEI	OM FY08 UDGET PERCENT	CHANGE FROM FY08 ESTIMATED REVENUES DOLLARS PERCEN	OM FY08 SEVENUES PERCENT
I. APPROPRIATED/INCOME FUNDS	\$98,683	\$99,883	\$104,037	\$5,354	5.4%	4 ,15.	4.2%
A. General Revenue Fund B. Income Fund	49,189 49,494	49,189 50,694	50,566	1,377 3,977	2.8% 8.0%	1,377	28% 5.5%
II. NON - APPROPRIATED FUNDS	\$85,165	\$85,087	\$89,305	\$4,140	4.9%	\$4,218	5.0%
A. Restricted	\$18,421	\$19,447	\$20,166	\$1,745	9.5%	\$719	3.7%
1. Federal Financial Aid	7,467	8.825	8.608	1,141	15.3%	(217)	-2.5%
2. Federal Grants & Contracts	4,216	4,420	4,398	182	4.3%	(53)	0.5%
	3,426	3,592	3,574	148	4.3%	E	-0.5%
4. Private Gifts, Grants, & Contracts	3,312	2,610	3,586	274	8.3%	926	37.4%
B. Unrestricted	\$66,744	\$65,640	\$69,139	\$2,395	3.6%	\$3,499	5.3%
1. Housing Operations	33,889	33,164	34,858	696	2.9%	1,694	5.1%
2. Student Unions	950'8	2,780	8,303	247	3.1%	523	8.7%
Other Self-Supporting Activities	6,342	5,963	5,844	(498)	-7.9%	(H3)	-2.0%
	17,553	17,852	19,315	1,762	10.0%	1,463	8.2%
	459	531	459	0	20.0	(72)	-13.6%
6. Gifts, Grants, and Contracts	445	350	360	(82)	19.1%	ę	2.9%
III. TOTAL OPERATING FUNDS	\$183,848	\$184,970	\$193,342	+6+'6\$	5.2%	\$8,372	4.5%
CAPITAL FUNDS							
A. Appropriated/Direct	4,872 "	3,877	1,099	(3,773)	-77.4%	(2,778) "	77.17-
W. TOTAL CAPITAL FUNDS	\$4,872	\$3,877	\$1,099	(\$3,773)	-77.4%	(\$2,778)	-71.7%

" Note: The \$4,872 in FY08 and \$1,099 in FY09 represent multi-year funding

C. FY09 Budget Overview (Cont.)

TABLE 2. SUMMARY OF BUDGETED EXPENDITURES -- ALL FUNDS

•	Ē	FY08	PROJECTED		CHANGE BETY	CHANGE BETVEEN FY08 AND FY09	
	ORIGINALLY	ESTIMATED	BUDGET FOR	CHANGE FROM FY08 OBIGINAL BUDGET	SUDGET	CHANGE FROM FY08 ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	CHANGE FROM FY08 IMATED EXPENDITURES
BODGET FUNCTION	BUDGETED	EAFENDITURES	2011	DOLLARS	FERCENI	DOLLARS	PERCENI
OPERATING FUNDS							
EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL OPERATIONS	\$138,331	\$139,970	\$146,333	\$8,002	5.8%	\$6,363	4.5%
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Instructional Activities	56,839 1,343	IM'/6	99,739	7,780	%0.40 %0.40	2,78	%8.4 %8.5 %0.0
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Public Service Academic Support	11.138	3,330	12.274	1076	77.0 79.6	643	5.5.2
Student Services	24.148	24.740	25,662	1514	63%	825	37%
Scholarship & Fellowship	0.543 C43	9,274	3,555	1,012	11.8%	787	30%
Institutional Support	14,423	14,321	15,203	780	5.4%	882	6.2%
Operation & Maintenance of Physical Plant	12,520	12,175	12,263	(257)	-2.1%	88	2.7%
INDEPENDENT OPERATIONS	\$ 42,379	\$39.870	*** ,277	\$1.898	+ 5×	24.407	71.1X
Auxiliary Enterprises	42,379	39,870	44,277	1,898	4.5%	4,407	11.17.
OTHER	\$3,707	\$4,007	\$3,707	0\$	0.0%	(\$300)	7.5%
FICA/Medicare	1,000	1,321	1,000	0	20.0	(321)	-24.3%
Group Insurance	1,734	1,713	1,734	0	0.0%	23	12%
Compensated Absences	973	973	973	0	%000 %	0	X000
TOTAL OPERATING FUNDS	\$184,417	\$183,847	\$194,317	\$9,900	5.4%	\$10,470	5.7%
CAPITAL FUNDS							
Operation and Maintenance of Physical Plant	4,872 **	3,877	. 660'1	(3,773)	-77.4%	. (2,778)	×7.17.
TOTAL CAPITAL FUNDS	\$4,872	\$3,877	\$1,099	(\$3,773)	-77.4x	(\$2,778)	.71.7x

■ Note: The \$4,872 in FY08 and \$1,099 in FY09 represent multi-year funding

D. FY 2010 Budget Recommendation

Eastern Illinois University FY 2010 Appropriated and Income Funds Budget Request

Each year, Illinois public universities request increases to their appropriated and income funds budgets. The following process is typically followed:

- Operating and capital budget requests are sent to the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) by October 15.
- IBHE staff members meet in late October with each public university to discuss issues and priorities.
- The IBHE issues its recommendations to universities in early December. These recommendations are made available to the Governor's office.
- Eastern's recommended appropriation is published by the IBHE in late January.
- The Governor presents his budget recommendations in the annual State of the Budget address, normally given in February.
- Universities prepare and submit Illinois State Legislature (ISL) forms to the General Assembly offices in March.
- Universities provide testimony regarding their budget requests before the House and Senate Appropriations Committees in April.
- Eastern's appropriation bill is drafted in late April or early May.
- The General Assembly finalizes appropriations by the end of May.
- The Governor signs the appropriation bill some time around July 1.
- Funds are available to universities by early July.

Economic predictions for both Illinois and the nation are not optimistic in the near term. The Illinois Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability (CGFA) is forecasting weak economic growth in FY 2009. CGFA notes, "The Illinois economy, like the nation, is anticipated to weaken substantially in 2009" (FY 2009 Economic & Revenue Forecast and Updated FY 2008 Revenue Estimate, March 2008, p 30). Further, CGFA warns that "a recession cannot be ruled out" (p 29). Regarding the State's anticipated tax revenue for FY 2009, "limited base growth is the best that can be hoped for" (p 48).

The expected economic slowdown comes at a crucial time for Illinois higher education in general and Eastern Illinois University in particular. Eastern's general revenue funding (GRF, primarily from tax revenues) peaked in FY 2002. At that time, about two-thirds of Eastern's total appropriated/income funds came from GRF, while the remaining one-third came from income funds (primarily from tuition revenues). In FY 2008, Eastern's GRF appropriation in nominal terms remained below FY 2001–03 levels, and for the first time, GRF represented less than 50% of the University's total appropriated/income funds.

It is within the context of these economic realities that Eastern's FY 2010 budget request is presented to the Board of Trustees for consideration. In the following pages, the various components of Eastern's operating and capital budget requests are identified and summarized. Funds appropriated through the operating budget request process are added to Eastern's base budget on a permanent, on-going basis (available year after year) while capital funds are appropriated on a project-by-project basis and, once expended, do not remain in the University's

budget. Summary information for the FY 2010 request is provided in Exhibits I and II on pages 19 and 20.

Operating Budget Request

Funds are requested to increase Eastern's day-to-day operating budget in two main categories: incremental base budget increases and Program Priority Requests (PPRs). Incremental base increases are intended to meet general cost increases for items such as salaries, Medicare, library acquisitions, general costs and utilities. Program Priority Requests fund a specific program or need, such as an academic initiative or technology request. Requests for incremental base budget increases are attached to the same categories of items each year. In contrast, Program Priority Requests are associated with specific programs, which may change from year to year.

I. Incremental Base Budget Items

Salary Increases

In the past few years, Eastern has tried to provide employees with salary increases (approximately 2.0–3.5%) that at least keep pace with inflation. Merit and market increases to supplement across-the-board increases have been relatively limited (with the FY 2007–09 faculty salary increases being the major exception). Whenever possible, Eastern has reallocated funds to address the issue of employee groups whose salaries are below state and national averages.

Faculty Salaries

In FY 2007, Eastern negotiated a new four-year faculty contract with the University Professionals of Illinois (UPI). This renegotiated contract provided significant salary increases for faculty and has improved the salary ranking of Eastern's faculty. According to the American Association of University Professors (AAUP), in FY 2008, Eastern's salaries for Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors were at the 50th, 50th and 60th percentiles, respectively, when compared to all comprehensive Master's universities nationwide (*Academe*, "The Annual Report On The Economic Status Of The Profession, 2007-08," Survey Report Table 9A, March–April 2008). Ten years earlier, in FY 1998, Eastern's salaries for the three professorial ranks were only at the 30th, 40th and 20th percentiles, respectively. Eastern's tenured and tenure-track faculty salaries also are now significantly above the mean when compared to a regional peer group. Competitive faculty salaries are essential to achieving President Perry's strategic objective of enhancing support for excellence in faculty scholarship and teaching.

Civil Service Salaries

According to IBHE data for FY 2006 (the most recent year available), Eastern's weighted average Civil Service salaries were second lowest at \$34,899 for primary campuses, compared with a state weighted average of \$39,355 for all public universities. A majority of Eastern's Civil Service employee groups (Advanced Professional and Managerial, Beginning Professional and Managerial, Semi-Skilled Domestic, Medical, Clerical, Data Processing, Technical and Para-Professional) have salaries that are below the state average and rank poorly relative to other state universities.

Administrative Salaries

Several, but not all, of Eastern's administrative and other professional employees have salaries below national levels for similar public universities, according to the College and University Personnel Association (CUPA) Administrative Compensation Salary Survey.

Our FY 2010 request is for a 5% increase to the salary base. This increase would help the University fund its continuing commitment to improve faculty salaries (as provided for in the 2006–10 EIU-UPI Agreements) and to address market and equity issues for other employees. The labor markets in academe are increasingly competitive, so additional salary funds are essential for Eastern to attract, recruit and retain the best faculty, administration and staff.

In addition, the Program Priority Request for additional academic base support (discussed later in this document) includes funds to address staffing needs in high-demand areas.

Medicare

For FY 2010, Eastern is proposing a 7% increase for Social Security/Medicare charges. The percentage increase for these costs was derived by combining Eastern's proposed FY 2010 salary increase of 5% plus an additional 2% to partially compensate for past years when no budget increase was funded.

Eastern is required to contribute 1.45% of applicable wages to the Social Security/Medicare program for all employees hired after March 1986. While Eastern continues to employ individuals hired before March 1986, the number of exempt employees continues to decline. For this reason, the Social Security/Medicare request is linked to the salary increase request.

Library Books

For FY 2010, Eastern proposes an increase of 15% in its library acquisitions budget for the purchase of books, journals, electronic databases and other scholarly resources.

In recent years, serial prices have increased at a rate of 9–11% annually. To compensate, Eastern's library has made an effort to offer access to a wide variety of electronic databases and document delivery services. While there is a gradual movement away from print sources, there is still a great need to provide a basic level of funding for printed library materials.

The library's acquisitions budget has not received an increase since FY 2006, and that increase was achieved through internal reallocation not through new state funding. For FY 2010, we are requesting a standard 10% increase to cover cost increases plus an additional 5% to address past acquisition cuts necessitated by stagnant budgets.

General Cost Increases

Although the University's general revenue funding has not recovered to FY 2002 levels, general price increases from 2002 to 2008 have totaled nearly 20% as measured by the Consumer Price Index. These economic realities have severely constrained Eastern's ability to support its instructional programs adequately.

The University is requesting a general cost increase of 3%, about \$430,000, for operating costs during FY 2010. The operating budget increase would also support the operation and maintenance of approximately 183,000 square feet of new academic space created by the Fall 2008 reopening of the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

Utilities

The following table provides a summary of various utility rate and fuel price changes utilizing the most recent available data.

Rate and Price Level Changes in Utility Prices*				
<u>Utility</u>	Avg Price Feb. 2008	Estimated FY09 Price	FY09 Change In Price	
Natural Gas Electricity Fuel Oil Coal Water	\$0.88/therm \$0.0631/KWH \$3.41/gal \$81.67/ton \$8.79/1,000 gal	\$1.02/therm \$0.0745/KWH \$5.00/gal \$90.00/ton \$9.58/1,000 gal	15.9% increase 18.1% increase 46.6% increase 10.2% increase 9.0% increase	
* Internal data from mult	iple year commodity contrac	ts and utility provi	ders	

Predicting increases in utility costs is more of an art than a science, especially in an environment of rapidly rising oil prices. Eastern has been very successful in its energy conservation efforts, but with the double-digit rise expected in most utility rates, a 15% increase for utilities (about \$525,000) is proposed for FY 2010. For the past several years, Eastern has avoided higher utility costs by burning coal rather than other fossil fuels. While the cost of this commodity has significantly increased, this option still provides the lowest cost per BTU and insulates Eastern from price swings in natural gas and fuel oil markets. However, the transportation charges to transport coal to Charleston have now increased dramatically, further adding to the cost of this fuel source.

Eastern will continue to monitor utility costs and utilize the most efficient fuel sources available. Cost savings in utility funds, if any, would be used to offset budget shortfalls and fund energy management projects.

II. Program Priority Requests

Each year, in addition to requesting incremental base increases for salaries, utilities and other costs, the University requests targeted funds for strategic initiatives. These Program Priority Requests (PPRs) are to be consistent with and supportive of both the IBHE's emerging *Public Agenda for Illinois Higher Education* and President Perry's stated strategic objectives and priorities for the University.

The IBHE describes its new *Public Agenda for Illinois Higher Education* as "a planning blueprint for the State of Illinois to direct state policies and resources to the higher education and career needs of Illinois residents and to address the current and future economic needs of the state." The *Public Agenda* is still under development but is rapidly taking shape and is scheduled to be formally presented to the Governor and the General Assembly by the end of October 2008. The *Public Agenda*'s preliminary goals for Illinois higher education are:

- Preparation
- Participation
- Affordability
- Completion
- Research and Economic Development
- Learning

In January 2008, President Perry announced his strategic objectives and priorities for the University, including his overarching goal that "Eastern Illinois University can be the best in the nation in the integrated academic and personal development of students." In support of this goal, President Perry established four strategic objectives:

- Uphold excellence in all we do
- Strengthen the EIU personal experience for all members of the EIU community and all whom we serve
- Enhance accessibility and affordability of an EIU education
- Support service to each other and to our community, region, state, nation and world

Further, President Perry established five university-wide priorities targeted to students' academic and personal development:

- Enhance support for excellence in faculty scholarship and teaching, in particular facultymentored undergraduate research, scholarship, and creative activities
- Enhance service and leadership opportunities for students
- Enhance fine arts programming and outreach
- Enhance study abroad opportunities
- Enhance honors programs

The following Program Priority Initiatives, in support of both the new *Public Agenda* and President Perry's strategic objectives and priorities, are submitted to the Board of Trustees as part of the FY 2010 budget request.

Academic Base Support - \$1,500,000

Funds requested for academic base support would be directed at two areas that directly impact Eastern's ability to support teaching and learning of the highest caliber: 1) hiring staff in areas of greatest need; and 2) augmenting academic departments' operating budgets. In particular, the personal services dollars requested would allow the University to increase staffing in high priority program areas, including Nursing and Education, and to address imbalances in the ratio of tenured/tenure-track to annually contracted faculty.

Likewise, funds requested for departmental operating budget increases would assist academic units in providing both students and faculty with instructional materials and support prerequisite to engaged teaching and learning.

This request supports the *Public Agenda* goals to increase the production of baccalaureate degrees and to link higher education to workforce development needs in growth areas such as nursing and teaching. If funded, it would help strengthen an academic base challenged for several years by contractually mandated faculty salary increases, by extensive sick leave/accrued leave payouts, and by state general revenue funds that in nominal terms remain below FY 2001–03 funding levels.

<u>Improve Diversity in the Learning Environment – \$96,000</u>

This request supports interrelated initiatives that improve upon the diversity of faculty and professional staff and educational programming on diversity. It expands targeted recruitment of underrepresented faculty and professional staff and, in so doing, supports the University's ability to attract and retain minority students. These initiatives bolster goals to increase access and diversity within the student body, faculty, and administrative staff and improve upon overall institutional effectiveness.

The requested funding would support seven interrelated programs that have been proven successful in expanding diversity in the learning environment:

- Doctoral fees for participants in the Grow Our Own Program
- Professional expenses for two Visiting Distinguished Minority Leaders
- Training facilitator fees for the Student Conflict Intervention teams and the Diversity Certificate Program
- Instructional materials and consultants for faculty and staff participants in the Professional Enrichment Program
- Programming costs for a regional meeting of employers attending the Dual Career Program
- Production fees for the customized Considering Eastern
- Web-based and DVD program for targeted recruiting of minority faculty and staff

Deferred Maintenance – \$1,197,800

This funding request would increase the annual state appropriation for deferred maintenance to approach the annual recommended deferred maintenance target of 1.5% of the current replacement value (CRV) of campus buildings. The FY 2007 CRV of our academic buildings stood at \$350.8-million. Therefore, an annual budget of \$5.3-million is necessary to halt additional accumulation of deferred maintenance. (Note that this amount is simply to stop the growth of deferred maintenance. It will not reduce the present accumulated amount, which for FY 2007 was estimated at \$91.9-million, excluding utilities infrastructure systems.) Presently, the University is funded at 0.54% of CRV, or \$1.9-million. This initiative requests that the annual funding level increase to 1.5% of CRV over three years (escalated at a rate of 6% per year). This level is in line with that of other higher education institutions who are considered to be "reasonably funded" for deferred maintenance

One measurement of deferred maintenance needs is called the Facility Condition Index (FCI) and is calculated by dividing the accumulated deferred maintenance by the replacement value (CRV). For FY 2007, the EIU FCI stands at 26.2% (\$91.9-million divided by \$350.8-million). An ideal target for higher education facilities dictates an FCI of less than or equal to 5%. An FCI greater than or equal to 15% is considered serious and indicative of a campus in poor condition. The University tracks and adjusts its estimate of the FCI on an annual basis. If funded, this PPR will help allow the University to gradually reduce the FCI over time.

Technology Enhancements – \$1,750,000

This funding request would support two technology enhancements for the campus: a build-out of existing wireless broadband infrastructure to meet growing demand and the creation of a data center backup location.

Demand for multimedia-capable high-speed network access for students in classrooms, labs and residence halls continues to grow rapidly. In its current configuration, the academic wireless network in the buildings will not be able to sustain more than two classrooms per access point. The density of the existing access points will need to be quadrupled to meet the anticipated classroom demand. Further, WiMax capabilities should be made available on campus to coincide with its commercial release over the next two years, and a true dedicated microwave or fiber link between the main campus and the Neal Welcome Center is a standing unfilled need.

For several years, the Office of the Auditor General has cited EIU for not having a backup site for its data center. The only affordable move thus far towards remedying this situation has been to find spaces in existing buildings to house backup data disks (SAN) connected to the main data center via fiber cables. Whereas a purpose-built facility would be ideal, the rehabilitation of spaces such as the basement of Gregg Triad would fit the purpose quite well. The rehabilitation of the space would require new computing and network equipment (redundant, switches, servers and SAN disks) and an electrical and HVAC upgrade to handle the load. A backup generator would also be a requirement for a practical fallback site.

Eastern Illinois University FY 2010 Capital Budget Request

Capital budget funds are requested in two main categories, regular capital and capital renewal. Regular capital projects are larger in scope and are often phased over several years. Regular capital funds can be requested for planning, site improvements, land acquisitions, utilities, construction, remodeling, and moveable equipment. Capital renewal projects are hybrids between a capital construction request and controlled maintenance. Capital renewal projects are usually focused on one particular building system in attempt to renovate the system without significantly changing the programs in the building. For FY 2010, Eastern proposes the regular capital and capital renewal projects listed below.

I. Regular Capital

Fine Arts Center Moveable Equipment

\$ 1,650,000

Equipment for the Doudna Fine Arts Center is requested to coincide with the reopening of the building. Equipment needs include office furniture, classroom seating, academic program equipment, instrument storage systems, computers, networking/electronics, and other equipment necessary to appropriately outfit the building.

Rehabilitate Steam Production Facilities

\$ 16,004,900

The utilities infrastructure at Eastern Illinois University is aged and major portions of critical service systems are well beyond useful economic life expectancy. The campus has experienced forced outages due to infrastructure failures resulting in loss of availability of core utilities to support academic, housing and administrative units. In FY2007, three critical failures occurred in the EIU steam plant: main coal conveyor drive, stoker shaft and grate chain and stoker drive gearbox. Indicative of the overall condition of the operating equipment, these failures placed coal operations off-line for over 20 weeks during the spring and summer and cost an estimated \$400,000 to correct and an additional \$250,000 in expenditures for natural gas.

Budget requests have been made in past fiscal years to address the spectrum of serious utilities infrastructure deferred maintenance issues faced by Eastern. However, a major portion of the requested funds is required to correct issues in the degrading steam plant. In the steam plant, investments in re-tubing the boilers, replacing safety valves, upgrading combustion controls, replacing worn steam process control valves, replacing pumps, upgrading burners, upgrading fuel handling systems, replacement of the economizer, fly ash bag-house upgrades, correction of code issues, necessary support system re-piping and securing the plant's structural shell integrity are required. A concentration of funds is needed in the flue gas desulfurization (scrubber) area. Scrubbers are required to remove sulfur dioxide from the gasses created from burning high sulfur Illinois coal in order to comply with current State and Federal air emissions regulations. The obsolete wet scrubbing operation involves spraying a chemical mixture into the hot exhaust gasses released when high sulfur coal is burned in the boilers, then processing the resulting mixture in a complex chemical plant to remove sulfur and reclaim the reactants.

The scrubbing process involves both highly acidic and highly caustic liquid environments. Handling these aggressive chemical compounds and maintaining the correct neutralization reactions is a complex process which is corrosive to piping, vessels, pumps, instruments and building components. The result of this aggressive process has been the total breakdown of the scrubber system, forcing the University to procure alternate "air quality" coal. This coal is sourced from outside the State of Illinois at a considerable price disadvantage. Since the steam plant and scrubber processes are located central to the campus and adjacent to academic, administrative and student functions, it is essential that deferred maintenance issues be addressed not only to sustain reliable service to campus but also to safely contain the aggressive environment within.

The University requests funding to address serious deferred maintenance needs in the steam generating plant and in the scrubber systems. Failing to address these needs will result in eventual loss of the ability to supply mission critical steam services to campus, possible damage to campus facilities and injury to students, faculty, staff or the visiting public.

New Science Building

\$ 12,385,800

The University's Campus Master Plan, approved by the Board of Trustees, identified the need for a new science building to house Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Psychology and the College of Sciences Dean's Office. The recommendation was based on analysis of existing science facilities and the overall demand these departments place on the physical infrastructure. In addition, it was recognized that these academic departments demonstrated a serious space deficiency and are often challenged to provide instruction to students that is representative of current academic and industry practices.

The proposed new facility would contain building equipment and systems to provide adequate ventilation, fume control, plumbing, hazardous waste control, lighting and sound control necessary for 21st-century science. The building would be constructed with appropriate floor-to-floor distances for the installation of mechanical/electrical/plumbing systems to service these departments. In addition, the building would centralize animal care facilities, presently housed in two campus buildings, to better maintain and efficiently house important living subjects.

The University's Campus Master Plan proposes to locate the building on a site that is partially owned, thus requiring land acquisition. The acquired land would assist the University in realizing another Master Plan goal of converting 7th Street into a pedestrian mall and expanding the core of the campus to the east.

Rehabilitate Life Science/Coleman HVAC & Plumbing

\$4,757,100

Life Science Complex

Life Science (1963) and the Annex building (1964) HVAC systems are original equipment and are failing to provide adequate levels of comfort in seasonal service. Air handling units which fail to deliver acceptable indoor air quality compromises the normal delivery of education to our students. In addition, poor temperature control and air delivery is energy inefficient.

Also, the building heating and chilled water distribution systems have experienced numerous leaks due to internal and external corrosion and thinning of pipe wall thickness. The deterioration has made the piping systems virtually impossible to repair due to insufficient pipe material remaining

to thread. During the past several leak events, faculty offices had to be evacuated and important academic work interrupted. In the event of longer-term system outages, research occurring in the Life Sciences complex could be compromised. The building infrastructure requires an entire mechanical upgrade.

This project would replace the ventilation units, air handling units and cooling and heating coils throughout the structure. Temperature control instrumentation would be updated to deliver precise control at optimum energy efficiency. The hot and cold domestic water distribution piping would be replaced to eliminate further system leaks.

Coleman Hall

The Coleman East (1965) and West (1968) buildings HVAC systems are original equipment and fail to provide adequate levels of comfort in seasonal service. Air handling units which fail to deliver acceptable indoor air quality compromises the normal delivery of education to our students. In addition, poor temperature control and air delivery is energy inefficient. Also, the building hot and cold domestic water distribution system has experienced numerous leaks due to internal corrosion and thinning of pipe wall thickness.

This project would replace the air handling units and cooling and heating coils throughout the structure. Temperature control instrumentation would be updated to deliver precise control at optimum energy efficiency. The hot and cold water distribution piping would be replaced to eliminate further system leaks.

Old Main Ceiling Asbestos Abatement

\$ 3,303,200

Old Main is the oldest historical structure on campus and houses administrative offices and classroom spaces. Significant parts of the main corridor ceilings and the entire ceiling above the University Business Office are the original plastered construction. These surfaces are deteriorating and are structurally unstable. This plaster has been determined to be an asbestos-containing surfacing material and is in damaged condition. This proposed project would rebuild these surfaces to mitigate the asbestos exposure risk and to ensure the continued health and safety of occupants. The method of achieving the asbestos abatement project in the Business Office would be to construct a permanent barrier above the existing floor during the abatement project which would be left for development into office space.

Upgrade Utilities Infrastructure

\$ 22,685,600

The utilities infrastructure at Eastern Illinois University is aged and major portions of critical service systems are well beyond useful economic life expectancy. The campus has experienced forced outages due to infrastructure failures resulting in loss of use of major facilities to academic, housing and administrative units. Steam distribution and condensate return piping systems, both racked and direct-buried, utility tunnel water distribution mains, sanitary sewage laterals and mains, storm water collection and discharge systems upon which the campus operations depend, require extensive upgrades to restore acceptable service reliability.

In order to approach this challenge, a master design for all utilities would need to be developed. The design would consider all current system conditions, future additional loads expected, location of underground utilities and operations plans which would impact utilities systems. Based upon

this comprehensive plan, a project to install the required upgrades, in order of their assigned priority, would be implemented.

Environmental Health and Safety

\$4,720,800

With increased awareness and concern for the environment and the health and safety of Eastern's students, faculty, and staff, the University's Environmental Health and Safety Committee has considered relevant codes, legislation and government programs (e.g., fire codes, ventilation standards, prudent laboratory practices and disaster-resistant measures) and recommends the following priorities:

- 1. Laboratory Ventilation: In order to achieve compliance with OSHA, laboratory standards and other ventilation standards, ventilation in the University's laboratory and studios which use hazardous chemicals and handle biological materials must be improved to eliminate risks and injuries from inhaling these materials. (\$2,023,450 Physical Science fume upgrade)
- 2. Safety Wiring and Controls: Emergency master shut downs for gas/electric service are needed in laboratories where solvents, gases, fire or other explosion potentials exist. Electrical outlets near sinks or other high-risk shock locations should have ground fault interruption devices. (\$673,900 labs control wiring and valves)
- 3. Emergency Generator Backup: The Human Services Building and other buildings on campus require an emergency generator to provide emergency aid to the campus and prevent loss of property and research. Installing emergency circuits and power capabilities would prevent this from occurring. (\$2,023,450 Human Services generator, lab backup power)

Note that these three projects would all require asbestos and lead abatement.

Rehabilitate Klehm Hall HVAC and Plumbing

\$2,141,000

Klehm Hall (1967) and Klehm Hall Addition (1968) HVAC systems are original equipment and fail to provide adequate levels of comfort in seasonal service. Portions of the 1968 addition which were originally designed as non-air conditioned industrial instruction spaces are now occupied by state-of-the-art processor-controlled machine tools and sophisticated electronics labs. Cooling is inadequately provided by distributed window units, which have been back-fit as additional cooling needs have developed. Air handling units are failing to deliver acceptable indoor air quality which compromises the delivery of education to our students. In addition, poor temperature control and air delivery is energy inefficient. Also, the building heating and chilled water distribution systems have experienced numerous leaks due to internal and external corrosion and thinning of pipe wall thickness. The deterioration has made the piping systems virtually impossible to repair due to insufficient pipe material remaining to thread. The building requires a complete mechanical systems upgrade.

This project would replace the ventilation units, air-handling units, cooling and heating coils and piping distribution systems throughout the structure. Temperature control instrumentation would be updated to deliver precise control at optimum energy efficiency. The hot and cold domestic water distribution piping would be replaced to eliminate further system leaks.

Campus Chilled Water Loop

\$ 2,108,800

In 1995, Eastern Illinois University initiated design of a chilled water loop to connect the air conditioning equipment of four buildings. The goals of the project were to improve energy efficiency by using excess capacity in individual equipment; improve reliability by sharing equipment; permit the cooling of buildings during seasonal shoulder periods; and to defer the replacement of equipment all at once. The project has been very successful. Since the initial project was completed, extensions to the central loop to serve the west and north-central campus buildings and a loop serving south quad buildings have been installed.

Based on the success of the project, the University proposes to extend the central chilled water loop northward from Physical Sciences to serve as the north "academic" quad loop. This project would join the existing central and west loops with north quad buildings, offering improved efficiencies and reliability in this area. This project would bring the total number of buildings piped into the loop to twenty-one, serve the historical north campus structures with 450 tons of cooling, eliminate dozens of inefficient window air conditioners and complete the planned campus chilled water loop development.

This project would increase the reliability of cooling systems and allow for more efficient use of energy throughout the year.

II. Capital Renewal Projects

Fire Alarm Upgrades, McAfee Gym

\$463,400

Upgrade fire alarm detection, pull station, and light-horn devices to improve fire protection of the McAfee Building and increase occupant safety. The original fire alarm system was installed in 1937 to meet construction/building codes. The University is currently following National Fire Protection Association Life Safety Code 101, adopted in 2000. This fire alarm upgrade would provide building systems that conform to State Fire Marshal code standards.

Replace Reheat Coils, Physical Science and Klehm Hall

\$1,019,900

The existing reheat coils in the Physical Science and Klehm Hall academic buildings are original to the buildings. Existing duct-mounted heating coils which are inefficient, noisy when heating, exhibit numerous leaks and are ineffective during heating season would be replaced. Replacing these coils would decrease maintenance costs, increase building efficiency and enhance building occupant comfort with better climate control. There are approximately 250 of these coils in the buildings.

Replace Campus Compressed Air Distribution Piping

\$294,000

Compressed air is produced at the central steam plant and is piped throughout campus in tunnels and direct-buried pipes. The air is used for control of all space temperature regulating systems and critical functions in various academic labs and preparation areas. A study performed by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity indicated that Eastern's distribution lines are undersized, causing loss of temperature control during periods of high air demand. This, in

addition to the poor condition of portions of the underground system, dictates that a replacement piping system, sized for the load it is serving, is required.

<u>Upgrade Electrical Systems, Life Science Building</u> <u>Upgrade Electrical Systems, Physical Science Building</u>

\$219,300 \$469,000

Electrical services in the Life Science and Physical Science buildings are original and have had few improvements. The aging systems contain panels and current protection devices which are obsolete. Finding suitable repair parts when portions of these systems fail is becoming increasingly difficult. Circuit load capacity to service sub-panels is at maximum in many cases. In order to provide reliable and serviceable electrical building systems and to provide adequate load capacity to meet the needs of programs, system upgrades are required.

Emergency Generator, Physical Science Building

\$576,300

The Physical Science building houses the University's Chemistry, Geology, Physics and Psychology departments. Laboratory fume hood ventilation, lab make-up air, on-going research, fire alarm panels, emergency lighting circuits and control power are all critical services which must be maintained at all times. Presently, the Physical Sciences complex has no backup power which leaves these critical services vulnerable to utility outages. These essential loads need to be analyzed and a new diesel-driven emergency generator set selected to fit the application. Loads determined to be essential need to be re-powered from new or revised distribution panels (emergency panels) which would then be backed up by the new generator. The location of the new generator would be determined taking campus traffic and pedestrian needs into account.

McAfee Elevator \$501,700

McAfee Gym is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. It has four entrances and they all require negotiating steps on the exterior and immediately inside each entrance. This project would construct a small addition to house a grade-level entrance and elevator access to the lower and main levels. The addition would provide handicapped-accessible entry without distracting from the building's historic character.

Student Services Elevator

\$587,300

The only area in the Student Services Building that is handicapped-accessible is the first floor of Financial Aid. The interior of the building has split levels, only accessible by stairs. This elevator will make the center section (3 floors), the east section (2 floors), and the Health Education Resource Center, Telecommunications and ITS offices handicapped-accessible.

<u>It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the University's FY2010 Appropriated and Income Funds budget request.</u>

Exhibit I Eastern Illinois University FY 2010 Budget Request Operating Budget

Incremental Base Increases	Projected FY 2009 Base	Percentage Increase	Dollar Increase	
Salary Increases Medicare Library Acquisitions	\$ 83,562,913 1,000,000 1,549,000	5% 7% 15%	\$ 4,178,100 70,000 232,400	
General Cost Increases Utilities Total Incremental Base Increases	14,422,628 3,502,459 \$ 104,037,000	3% 15%	432,700 525,400 5,438,600	
Program Priority Requests Academic Base Support			1,500,000	
This PPR supports the IBHE's Public Agenda preliminary goals of preparation, participation, affordability, completion and learning and President Perry's priority of enhancing support for excellence in faculty scholarship and teaching.				
Diverse Learning Environment This PPR supports the IBHE's Public Agenda preliminary goals of participation, completion and learning and President Perry's strategic objective of strengthening the EIU personal experience for all members of the EIU community.			96,000	
Deferred Maintenance Technology Enhancements These two PPRs support the IBHE's Public Agenda preliminary goals of affordability and learning and President Perry's strategic objective of enhancing accessibility and affordability of an EIU education and his priority of enhancing support for excellence in faculty scholarship and teaching.			1,197,800 1,750,000	
Total Program Priority Requests			4,543,800	
Total Request			\$ 9,982,400	9.

Exhibit II Eastern Illinois University FY 2010 Budget Request Capital Budget

	Category	Amount
I. Regular Capital		
Fine Arts Center Moveable Equipment	Equipment	\$ 1,650,000
Rehabilitate Steam Production Facilities	Utilities	16,004,900
New Science Building	Planning	12,385,800
Rehabilitate Life Science/Coleman HVAC & Plumbing	Remodeling	4,757,100
Old Main Ceiling Asbestos Abatement	Remodeling	3,303,200
Upgrade Utilities Infrastructure	Utilities	22,685,600
Environmental Health & Safety	Safety	4,720,800
Rehabilitate Klehm Hall HVAC & Plumbing	Utilities	2,141,000
Campus Chilled Water Loop	Utilities	2,108,800
Total Regular Capital		69,757,200
II. Capital Renewal		
Fire Alarm Upgrades - McAfee Gym		463,400
Replace Reheat Coils, Physical Science and Klehm Hall		1,019,900
Replace Campus Compressed Air Distribution Piping		294,000
Upgrade Electrical - Life Science		219,300
Upgrade Electrical - Physical Science		469,000
Physical Science Emergency Generators		576,300
McAfee Elevator		501,700
Student Services Elevator		587,300
Total Capital Renewal Request		4,130,900
Total Request		\$ 73,888,100

E. Non-indentured Reserves

In order to retain working capital allowances and adequate funds for repair/replacement of equipment and/or relevant facilities, and in accordance with Section V.G.5 of the Board of Trustees *Regulations* and Sections IV.A.1 and IV.C.2 of the University Guidelines 1982, Board approval is requested to increase/decrease reserves as follows:

Entity	Current Authorized Amount	Increase/Decrease Requested	Revised Amount
Student Fee Programs/Services	\$2,150,000	\$350,000	\$2,500,000
Service Departments	650,000		650,000
Student/Staff Programs/Services	71,000	4,000	75,000
Educational Services	30,000	5,000	35,000
Auxiliary Enterprises-Other	940,000		940,000
Public Services	15,000		15,000
Continuing Education (CC)	31,000		31,000
Income Fund Equipment	5,850,000		5,850,000
Reserve for Compensated Absen	ces 1,400,000		1,400,000

It is recommended that the Board approve these non-indentured reserve increases/decreases.

1) Purchase Item: Group Insurance Reimbursement

Description/Explanation: In December 2001, Governor Ryan requested that higher

education contribute \$45 million to Central Management Services (CMS) to cover a shortfall in the State group insurance program. Eastern's prorated share of the shortfall, determined by the Illinois Board of Higher

Education, is summarized below.

<u>University</u>	Contribution
Chicago State	\$ 1,024,000
Eastern Illinois	1,713,300
Governors State	656,200
Illinois State	3,078,300
Northeastern Illinois	1,072,600
Northern Illinois	3,541,300
Western Illinois	1,944,800
Southern Illinois	7,076,300
University of Illinois	24,893,200
Total	\$ 45,000,000

Eastern's group health insurance contribution for FY09 would be made in four (4) installments as follows:

September 26, 2008	\$	428,325
December 29, 2008		428,325
March 30, 2009		428,325
June 12, 2009		428,325
	\$1	.713,300

Cost: \$1,713,300

Recommended Vendor: Central Management Services - Sole Source (per Section

526.2025 of the Higher Education Procurement Rules)

Fund Source: Appropriated and Local Funds

2) Purchase Item: Annual Supply of Coal for the Heat Plant

Description/Explanation: This contract is for the purchase and delivery of up to 16,000

tons of low-sulfur coal, freeze conditioning treatment and the back-hauling of coal waste for the period July 1, 2008

through June 30, 2009.

Cost: Not to exceed \$1,500,000

Price/ton Price/ton Price/ton

<u>Delivered</u> Back-hauling Freeze conditioning

\$87.24 \$12.00+ \$2.00

\$200.00 per truckload

Recommended Vendor: Coalsales, LLC

Evansville, IN.

Summary of Bids: Coalsales, LLC

Evansville, IN

Six (6) companies did not respond

Fund Source: Appropriated and Local Funds

3) **Purchase Item:** Annual Supply of Chemicals

Description/Explanation: This contract is for the annual supply of chemicals used to

maintain process water in heating and cooling systems located throughout campus. The contract also includes consulting and training services related to boiler and coil cleaning, bio-protection for coils and small cooling units and

shutdown maintenance.

This contract would be for the two-year period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2010 and includes provisions that allow the University to renew the contract, at its option, for three additional two-year periods. Under terms of this agreement, chemical price increases would be limited to 5% at each

option period.

Cost: Not to exceed \$600,000.00

Recommended Vendor: United Laboratories

St. Charles, IL.

Summary of Bids: United Laboratories

St. Charles, IL.

Nalco

Naperville, IL.

Drummond American Vernon Hills, IL.

Two (2) companies submitted a "No Bid."

Fund Source: Appropriated and Local Funds

4) Purchase Item: Design Service Contract

Description/Explanation: At the April 21, 2008 Board of Trustees meeting, the Board

approved an increase in the Textbook Rental fee to finance construction of a new Textbook Rental Service building.

This contract is for design development, preparation of construction documents, bid evaluation and construction

observation services associated with the new facility.

Cost: Architect/Design services \$302,500.00

Contingency 30,250.00 Total \$332,750.00

Recommended Vendor: BLDD Architects

Champaign, IL

Summary of Bids: Exempt from bidding per Public Act 87-673, Architectural,

Engineering, and Land Surveying Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) Act. Qualifications were solicited via Request for Qualifications (RFQ). BLDD Architects was selected and the fee negotiated following the OBS process, as

required by law.

Fund Source: Local Funds

5) **Purchase Item:** Energy Conservation Project – Phase III

Description/Explanation: This contract would provide project design services for Phase

III of an energy conservation project. Under terms of this agreement, Honeywell International, Inc. would perform a campus-wide investment grade energy audit to identify energy conservation projects and the equipment and

resources necessary for installation.

At the conclusion of the energy audit, the University expects to enter into an energy service agreement with Honeywell, International, Inc, for the construction and implementation of the energy conservation measures identified. That project would be designed to be self-funded over a period not to exceed 20 years. Under terms of energy services agreement, and in accordance with Illinois law, Honeywell International Inc. would guarantee that Eastern would attain annual energy or operational cost savings equal to or greater than the annual cost of financing the project. Annual energy saving of less than the guaranteed amount would be supplemented by Honeywell International, Inc. and used to repay amounts

financed.

Cost: Not to exceed \$600,000.00

Recommended Vendor: Honeywell International, Inc.

Arlington Heights, IL

Summary of Proposals: Honeywell International, Inc.

Arlington Heights, IL

Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc.

Kansas City, MO

Chevron Energy Solutions Company

Oak Brook, IL

Energy Systems Group, LLC

Newburgh, IN

Summary of Proposals (Continued):

Johnson Controls, Inc. Milwaukee, WI

Siemens Building Technologies

Bloomington, IL

Pepco Energy Services

Arlington, VA

Fund Source: Appropriated and Local Funds

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve this item and authorize the Treasurer to proceed with contract negotiations for the investment grade energy audit and pursue project financing on behalf of the Board.

6) Purchase Item: Student Success Center Addition

Description/Explanation: This contract includes all labor and materials to install the

foundation and structural steel framing systems, elevated concrete floor slabs, metal roof decking, stair and elevator enclosures, and storm drainage system for a 6,188 square foot addition to Ninth Street Hall. Once the foundation and structural systems are in place, Eastern staff would complete the construction of the facility. The completed Student Success Center would include three classrooms, a conference room, graduate student offices, coordinator's office, reception area and provide elevator access to existing floors

in the building.

Cost: \$428,981.00 (including \$38,998.00 for contingencies)

Recommended Vendor: Christy-Foltz, Inc.

Decatur, IL

Summary of Bids: Christy-Foltz, Inc.

Decatur, IL \$389,983.00

Grunloh Construction, Inc.

Effingham, IL \$439,000.00

Fund Source: Grant and Local Funds

7) **Purchase Item:** Masonry Restoration Services

Description/Explanation: This contract includes all labor and materials for masonry

restoration (e.g., cleaning, tuck-pointing, sealant, etc.) of exterior brick and stone masonry on Klehm Hall, the Life Science and Life Science Annex buildings, Coleman Hall

and Lumpkin Hall.

Cost: \$288,105.00 (including \$26,191.00 for contingencies)

Recommended Vendor: Masons Masonry Restoration, Inc.

Brownstown, IL.

Summary of Bids: Masons Masonry Restoration, Inc.

Brownstown, IL \$261,914

Western Waterproofing Co, Inc.

St. Louis, MO \$262,700

Mid-Continental Restoration Co, Inc.

Jacksonville, IL \$279,226

Midwest Restoration, Inc.

Paris, IL \$288,320

Otto Baum Co, Inc.

Morton, IL \$421,975

Union Contracting Inc.

Chicago, IL \$549,154

Fund Source: Appropriated and Local Funds

G. Student Recreation Center Fee

FY09 Fee Increase Recommendation

Proposed	FY09 Student Fee Increase	
(Fall 2008,	Spring 2009, Summer 2009)	

	Present	Proposed	<u>Increase</u>
Student Recreation Center Fee	\$69.50	\$72.00	\$2.50

<u>Rationale</u>: The proposed fee will be used to address increases in maintaining the facility including fuel, wages, supplies, and utilities.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the above fee recommendation for FY2009.

H. Personnel Contracts

Information will be provided by addendum at the meeting.

I. Amendment to the Alumni Association Contract

At the December 15, 2006 meeting of the Board of Trustees, the Board voted to approve the following revision to Section 10.a. of the Master Contract between the Board of Trustees of Eastern Illinois University and the Eastern Illinois University Alumni Association, Inc.:

December 15, 2006 Revision:

Through June 30, 2008, the University shall use the premises for its offices of the Dean of the College of Arts and Humanities, related support staff, and such other purposes as the parties may from time to time agree. Two parking places will be provided for the Dean's staff.

Now, the following revision to Section 10.a. of the contract is being presented to the Board for their consideration:

Proposed Revision:

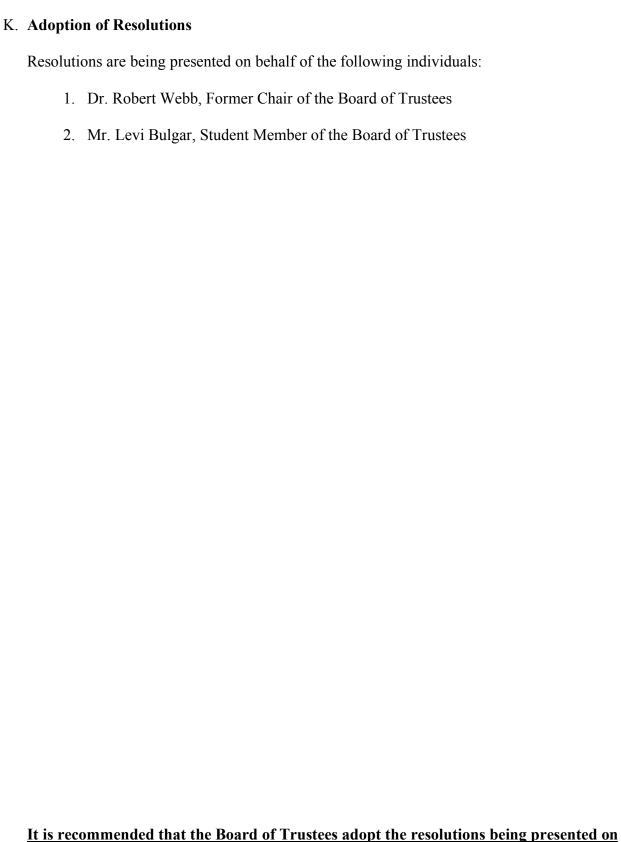
Through June 30, 2008 June 30, 2010 the University shall may use the premises for its offices of the Dean of the College of Arts and Humanities, Office of Alumni Services, related support staff, and such other purposes as the parties may from time to time agree. Two pParking places will be provided for the Dean's staff.

<u>It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve this revision to the Master Contract between the Board of Trustees of Eastern Illinois University and the Eastern Illinois University Alumni Association, Inc.</u>

J. Naming of University Property

This item will be presented to the Board by addendum at the meeting.

behalf of these individuals.



IV. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. President's Report

B. Report from Board Chair

C. Committee Reports

Executive/Planning Committee

Mr. Roger Kratochvil, Chair

Mr. Bill O'Rourke

Mr. Leo Welch

Dr. Robert Webb

Board Relations Committee

Ms. Julie Nimmons, Chair

Mr. Don Yost

Finance/Audit Committee

Mr. Bill O'Rourke, Chair

Dr. Robert Webb

Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Mr. Leo Welch, Chair

Ms. Julie Nimmons

Mr. Levi Bulgar

Board Regulations

Mr. Leo Welch

D. Reports from Constituencies

E. Summary of Purchases \$100,000 - \$249,999

Vendor KAM Services	Type of Purchase Asbestos abatement services, as needed, for various campus projects	Bids 1	Amount \$150,000 (not to exceed)
Correctional Industries	Residence hall furniture	2	223,507
Lanman Oil	Annual supply of regular 10% ethanol blended unleaded gasoline	I- ¹	240,000 (not to exceed)
The AME Group	Service agreement for computer installation, maintenance, trouble-shooting, etc.	1	138,684
Wenger Corporation	Stage seating and portable seating platform for Doudna Fine Arts Ctr.	3	117,535
MBM Corporation	Food and non-food items for use in the Chik-Fil-A restaurant	3	120,000 (not to exceed)
Ne-Co Asphalt	Parking lot maintenance	4	191,700
Stanley Consultants, Inc.	Consulting services to assist in the analysis of the feasibility and econom (not to exceed) of energy conservation measures of ESCo proposals	ics	150,000
Veolia ES Solid Waste Midwest, LLC	Garbage collection and disposal	1	150,000 (not to exceed)
Continental Resources, Inc.	Computer hardware-Sun StorageTek blades and rack-ready expansion units	3	169,633

¹ Renewal of an existing agreement.

² Sole source – Purchase from another State entity.

³ Sole source – Contract with Chik-Fil-A requires EIU to purchase these items from MBM Corp.

Original contract (approved 10/2/07) was for \$118,950. Contract has been increased by \$72,750, for a new total of \$191,700, to cover additional parking lot maintenance needs.

Vendor selection made in accordance with the Quality Based Selection (QBS) Act.

F. University Highlights

AROUND CAMPUS

Former President Marvin leaves great legacy. Daniel E. Marvin Jr., who served as EIU's president from 1977 to 1983, passed away April 21 at the age of 69. During Marvin's tenure, he worked tirelessly to move the university forward and promote its service to the region, most notably through the creation of the Tarble Arts Center, WEIU and the Honors Program, as well as his support of Study Abroad. "We took the university to the people," Marvin said in EIU's 1995 Warbler yearbook. The results of Marvin's leadership and dedication continue to touch lives today.

Tarble Foundation donates another \$2.5 million. The Tarble Foundation, a longtime supporter of the arts at EIU, has given another \$2.5 million to help fund programming at the new Doudna Fine Arts Center. The money, along with earlier gifts from the Tarbles and other generous donors, allowed EIU's New and Emerging Artists Series to reach its goal of \$7.5 million. The series will help the new Doudna facility stand out by bringing in artists who challenge the boundaries and conventions of traditional art, music, theatre arts and creative writing. Through the years, the Tarble family has donated more than \$11 million to benefit the arts at EIU.

Son gives EIU scrapbook compiled by former President Buzzard. Charles "Buzz" Buzzard, the youngest of four sons of EIU's second sitting president, Robert G. Buzzard, visited campus in May to present the university with a scrapbook that his late father compiled about his life. Buzzard previously donated to University Archives a large amount of paperwork that had belonged to his father, but the scrapbook tells much more about the man and his family. Buzzard wanted the scrapbook to go "to the institution he'd be so proud of today," he said. "Eastern was my father and mother's life. Therefore, it's important that this institution and the students who come here understand how this institution became what it is today."

WIU president speaks at son's EIU commencement ceremony. Al Goldfarb, president of Western Illinois University, delivered the commencement address when his son, Jason Goldfarb, received his master's degree in college student affairs from EIU on May 3. Jason Goldfarb, who was very involved in various organizations on campus and received his department's Distinguished Graduate Student Award, has excelled despite dealing with the effects of hydrocephalus throughout his life. "I have received a great deal of support from all of my teachers," he said. "Whenever I needed advice, their doors were always open. Also, my supervisors were very helpful with my career development." He accepted a job as an academic adviser at Heartland Community College in Normal, one of the many job offers he received.

Italy comes to Charleston. Locals with an interest in Italian food and wine, as well as their history and culture, had the opportunity to learn from an expert last month without leaving central Illinois. Massimo Coppetti, who teaches at Italy's Apicius Culinary Institute of Florence, led two short-term courses at EIU: Mediterranean Culture and Cuisine, and Introduction to Wine Tasting. For the past four years, EIU students from the School of Family and Consumer Sciences have studied at Apicius while one of their professors has traveled to EIU to share knowledge of Italian cuisine.

F. University Highlights (Cont.)

STUDENT/FACULTY/STAFF SPOTLIGHT

EIU chemistry major earns prestigious Goldwater Scholarship. An EIU chemistry major whose very first research project yielded significant findings in her field has now earned the distinction of being named a 2008-2009 Barry S. Goldwater Scholar. Rebecca C. Grove is one of only 321 students in the country to be honored by the scholarship program, which is the premier undergraduate award of its type in science, math and engineering. Grove, who just finished her junior year, will receive \$7,500 toward the completion of her degree. Grove is quick to give credit for her success to the many faculty and staff members who have worked closely with her at EIU. "There is a lot of attention and one-on-one interaction at Eastern that I don't think I'd get at any other university," she said.

NEH grant allows professor to represent EIU abroad. English Professor David Raybin and his wife, Kent State University Professor Susanna Fein, are to teach a summer seminar in England, thanks to a \$116,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Fifteen K-12 teachers from throughout the United States will attend the seminar, "Chaucer's 'Canterbury Tales." The NEH grants often go to major universities, such as Columbia and Harvard, Raybin noted. Raybin is joint editor of "Closure in 'The Canterbury Tales': The Role of the Parson's Tale" and coeditor (with Fein) of "The Chaucer Review: A Journal of Medieval Studies and Literary Criticism." In addition, since 1989, he has directed annual public workshops on Chaucer and other authors for high school teachers and librarians under the sponsorship of the Illinois Humanities Council.

Fischer honored with Distinguished Faculty Award. Professor Robert "Bud" Fischer, associate chair of biological sciences, received EIU's 2008 Distinguished Faculty Award for excelling in the classroom, in research and in leadership. As a member of the Faculty Senate, Fischer helped implement many initiatives, including the National Student Exchange, the freshman reading program and the Faculty Fellows program in the residence halls. Fischer, who joined the EIU faculty in 1994, has now moved on to his next career challenge -- he began serving as department chair at the University of Alabama at Birmingham on June 1.

ALUMNI ACTIVITIES

Polenzani wins Beverly Sills Artist Award. Matthew Polenzani '91, a tenor with the Metropolitan Opera, is this year's recipient of the \$50,000 Beverly Sills Artist Award. The prize goes to gifted singers between the ages of 25 and 40 who have already appeared in featured solo roles at the Met. Polenzani, who has sung 27 roles since his company debut in 1997, received a Distinguished Alumni Award from the EIU Alumni Association in 2004.

Former Illinois first lady presents 'Her Story on His-Story.' As the second speaker in the Edgar Lecture Series, Brenda Edgar '98 shared the story of her life, including the transition from a "very, very shy" child to the wife of a popular state governor. She said the role gave her "opportunities of a lifetime" to help others in various ways. She and her husband, former Gov. Jim Edgar '68, established the speaker series last year; he delivered the first speech in the fall.

F. University Highlights (Cont.)

FOCUS ON ATHLETICS

Baker, Sallee honored by DEN. Interim athletic director Ken Baker '72, '73 and women's basketball head coach Brady Sallee have been named EIU's Person of the Year and Coach of the Year, respectively, by The Daily Eastern News. Baker, a long-time NFL on-field and replay official who worked the replay booth at Super Bowl XLII, took over the lead role in Panther athletics in August. Baker is returning to his post as the director of the Student Recreation Center this summer. Sallee was honored for leading his team to the program's best season in 20 years. Despite starting the season 0-7, the Panthers bounced back with a six-game winning streak and finished the year 19-13. Eastern not only hosted and won its first-ever Ohio Valley Conference Tournament contest, but also reached the title game of the event by knocking off the two-time defending champs, Southeast Missouri, in the semifinals. An offensive force a season ago, a shift in philosophy toward a more methodic and defensive style of play turned EIU into one of the most well-rounded and deepest teams in the league.

Sockler estate provides \$293,000 for football scholarships. EIU recently received \$293,000 from the estate of an Illinois football legend, Harry Sockler '35, to help fund scholarships for the EIU football team. Sockler, who captained the Panthers football team and competed in track, went on to enjoy a long and very successful high-school coaching career at Westville, Robinson and Western Illinois University Lab School. His efforts led to being one of 12 charter members in the Illinois High School Coaches Hall of Fame inducted in 1977. He was also a 1984 EIU Hall of Fame inductee. The Sockler gift was announced as part of EIU's annual Spring Fling fund drive, which netted a record \$1,390,418 in support of Panther athletics.

Yost donates \$50,000 to Panther Club. Don Yost, a member of the EIU Board of Trustees, and his wife, Lou, have donated \$50,000 to the EIU Panther Club to be used toward scholarships for Panther student-athletes. The Yosts have supported EIU athletics for more than 20 years. Yost, who currently owns several area businesses and has been active in the Charleston community serving on several area boards, is a past president of the Panther Club.

G. Other Matters

H. Public Information