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AGENDA FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, September 21, 2022 10:15 a.m.

Claiborne Building, 1st Floor Louisiana Purchase Room 1-100 1201 North Third Street Baton Rouge, LA 70802

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Act 959 Project: SOWELA Charleston Building HVAC Replacement
- IV. Other Business
- V. Adjournment

Committee Members: Darren G. Mire, Chair; Robert W. Levy, Vice Chair; Randy L. Ewing; Charles R. McDonald; Felix R. Weill; Catarena M. Lobré (*student member*); LCTC System Representative; LSU System Representative; SU System

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Staff: Chris Herring, Associate Commissioner for Facilities and Planning & Emergency Management

AGENDA ITEM III.

Act 959 Project

SOWELA Charleston Building HVAC Replacement

Act 959 of 2003 permits institutions to initiate certain capital projects not exceeding \$5M that are funded with self-generated/auxiliary revenues, grants, donations, local or federal funds. The Louisiana Community and Technical College System, on behalf of SOWELA Technical Community College (SOWELA), submitted an Act 959 project for the purpose of replacing the HVAC system within the Charleston Building. This building was repaired after sustaining extensive damage during Hurricanes Laura and Delta in 2020. The hurricane repairs included minor funding for the HVAC system but did not include funding for a major overhaul or full replacement of the 45-year-old system.

The project scope involves replacing approximately 44 old HVAC units within the Charleston Building serving classrooms, offices, labs, and common areas. The work also includes replacing boilers and the controls system. The total project cost is approximately \$2.16M and will be funded with a combination of federal Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund dollars (\$2M) and hurricane relief/claim proceeds (\$160k).

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Senior Staff recommends approval of the Act 959 project submitted by the Louisiana Community and Technical College System, on behalf of SOWELA Technical Community College, to replace the HVAC system within the Charleston Building.