

Harwell Field Baseball Building

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors authorize the President, or his designee, to design, solicit bids, and award contracts to construct the Harwell Field Baseball Building located on the Matthaei Athletic Campus for a project cost not to exceed \$1,660,000. Funding for this project will be provided from funds raised by the Athletic Department for this purpose.

Background and Project Description

On June 6, 2013 the Wayne State University Department of Athletics, in conjunction with the Ernie Harwell Estate and the Ernie Harwell Foundation, announced the establishment of the Harwell Field Project. This project has been an outreach effort to raise funds to build a baseball field building in recognition of Ernie and Lula "Lulu" Harwell. As a tribute to the long partnership between the famed Detroit Tigers broadcaster and his wife, the field will be named in their shared honor. This lasting testimonial will benefit not only the last college baseball team still active in Detroit but will also be a resource and destination for camps, youth leagues and high schools that use the facility throughout the year. Mr. Harwell's support of youth baseball was part of his lasting belief in how baseball could enrich communities and change lives.

Harwell Field Baseball Building will provide a foyer to recognize the achievements and contributions of the Harwell's and will showcase a 2,000 square foot display room that will hold major league baseball artifacts and memorabilia collected by the Detroit Historical Society and Harwell Foundation. The design of the building, which will be located behind the current backstop, will permit future project efforts to create spectator grandstands and a press box.

Project Budget

Funding Sources	
Philanthropy Gifts	\$1,660,000
TOTAL Sources	\$1,660,000
Expenditures Plan	
Design Fees	\$160,000
Construction	\$1,300,000
Project Management and Contingency	\$200,000
TOTAL Expenditures	\$1,660,000

All contracts for this project will be awarded in accordance with University policies and procedures.



