

**Harwell Field Bleachers and Press Box  
Budget Revision**

**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of Governors authorize the President or his designee, to increase spending for the Harwell Field Bleachers and Press Box project by \$125,000 in addition to the previously approved amount of \$505,000 for a total of \$630,000. Funding for the project will be provided in full from funds raised by the Athletics Department for this purpose.

**Background and Project Description**

In March 2018, the Board of Governors approved the project to construct the Harwell Field Bleachers and Press Box at a cost not to exceed \$505,000. Since that time the concrete foundation has been bid and the low bidder is at a considerably higher cost than anticipated. This is due to the small site and the amount of necessary hand digging. It is proposed to increase the budget by \$125,000 for a total project budget of \$630,000.

In 2013 Wayne State University Department of Athletics, in conjunction with S. Gary Spicer, Sr., long time attorney and advisor to Ernie and Lulu Harwell, announced the establishment of the Harwell Field Project. The overall project was envisioned as a multi-phase endeavor, and the first phase, the Harwell building that houses the artifacts collected by Mr. Spicer and Mr. Harwell, was opened in April of 2017 at the Matthaei Athletic Campus.

This next phase is the bleachers and press box for the baseball field. Tucked behind the Harwell Field house, the new 226 seat grandstand will be built with ADA accessibility and will include a two tier press box. The press box will house a guest suite and space for the announcer, scoreboard control, and streaming equipment. Also included are back stop and provisions for the protective netting.

All contracts for this project will be awarded in accordance with University policies and procedures. The project is expected to be completed fall 2018.

**Project Budget**

<b>Funding Sources</b>	
Philanthropic Gifts	\$630,000
<b>TOTAL Sources</b>	<b>\$630,000</b>
<b>Expenditures Plan</b>	
Design Fees	\$40,000
Construction	\$520,000
Project Management and Contingency	\$70,000
<b>TOTAL Expenditures</b>	<b>\$630,000</b>