



**LARAMIE COUNTY  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
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# MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** Members of the Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Dr. Joe Schaffer, President

**DATE:** January 18, 2017

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation to Renovate areas in the Science Building (SC158; SC167/168; SC166)

At the request of the School of Math and Sciences, the College solicited plans developed by Tobin and Tobin to detail and estimate costs for renovation of two areas in the Science building. The current spaces for the proposed renovations includes one classroom (SC158) and three faculty offices (SC167/168 and 166) vacated by departments and faculty that have moved to the Pathfinder building. This renovation is being proposed in support of the science majors, and other students taking classes in the Science center. The science building currently has no student work spaces and no flexible lab teaching space. The current proposal seeks to repurpose these spaces to meet the needs of students and make the current spaces more usable to a wider group.

The renovation to SC158 will remove the current stationary benches and reconfigure the room to be used as a more collaborative space with mobile tables and updated technology. Further, this space will be used to consolidate access to high tech scientific equipment for upper lever classes while also still maintaining its function as a laboratory classroom.

The renovation to SC167/168 will create a student work/study space similar to the repurposed space in the RAC. The wall between 168 and 167, and the corresponding doors would be removed and walled off. A new door would be placed on the hallway side of the room, and two windows placed on the side opposite the door. This space will contain tables, computers and a printer to allow for individuals and groups of students to complete class oriented work in the Science Center.

The renovation to SC166 will be the removal of the carpet, the movement of the computer run microscopes and their tables, and the purchase of additional computing equipment for bioinformatics work to result in an expanded imaging/bioinformatics specialty space.

I am therefore recommending that the Board of Trustees approve the renovation of the areas in the Science Center described above costing an estimated amount not to exceed \$75,000.00 which will be funded by federal grant monies (\$45,000) and from the Current Fund (\$30,000) budgeted to the School of Math and Sciences.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board approves the renovation of the areas in the Science Center described above costing an estimated amount not to exceed \$75,000.00 which will be funded by federal grant monies (\$45,000) and from the Current Fund (\$30,000) budgeted to the School of Math and Sciences.