

**MSSU Board of Governor's Meeting
Vice President for Business Affairs
February 19, 2016**

Construction

- **Reynolds Hall Lab remodeling** - The architects (Paragon) are working on construction drawings, which are approximately 50% complete. Those drawings should be complete by the end of March so that the project can be bid out to the subs by the contractor (Crossland). We will begin light demo of the 3rd floor soon. Major demo of walls will occur after the spring semester and before summer school starts in order to not disrupt classes. The Chemistry and Physics labs will move to the 3rd floor and Biology and Environmental Health will move to the 1st floor. We have had great involvement from the faculty on the redesign of all aspects of Reynolds.
Budget – State Bonding money \$5.2M; Fundraised \$1.5M, State match \$1.5M = \$8.2M
Architect – Paragon (Spfd.) + HERA (Lab design consultants)
- **Trail project w/City of Joplin** – The City notified us that FEMA has received their revised application and we are awaiting FEMA's approval. Still making slow but steady progress. The City had to jump thru some additional hoops for the FEMA application such as obtaining letters from Jasper County and the cities of Webb City and Duquesne stating that they did not object to changing the Base Flood Elevation on the FEMA maps. The City stated that they have everything they need and will be sending in the FEMA application with a check within a couple of days.

There is a slight hiccup on this project. Due to the change in the floodplain it will take an additional \$10K filing fee to FEMA plus an estimated \$10K engineering fee to finalize the plans. Also, due to the added time for the re-engineering and filing, the project could take an additional 6-12 months. We are still working with the City of Joplin on the project but we are uncertain whether the project will be getting off the ground this year.

Budget - \$80K (lighting)

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- The budget process is progressing. We had a Board Budget/Audit sub-committee meeting this morning to discuss setting the tuition rate for next year. That will be discussed in Board Committee Reports.