

University Buildings & Grounds Report

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Creative Arts Center. The building is substantially complete and occupied. Replacement of the skylight in the Commons has been postponed until after the school year in the interest of safety and the least amount of disruption to building occupants.

Life Safety Projects. A number of life safety projects were initiated last spring and are now in construction. These include the addition or replacement of several emergency generators; replacing the fire shutters separating the Library and Library Annex; and new evacuation signage in all campus buildings.

Student Union Renovations. The project remains in the design phase with architect/engineer Jerome Scott. Changes in scope are necessary in order to remain within budget. The project is tentatively scheduled for construction bidding this Fall.

Classroom Modernization. Progress is ongoing on this project. The tiered lecture hall in Oelman was converted to three classrooms and opened for Fall 2016 semester. Phase III renovations, including finishes, technology and classroom furniture upgrades in a number of general classrooms around campus were completed and opened for Fall semester as well. The final phase of the project will conclude by summer 2017.

Russ Roof Replacement. This project was started this summer and will be completed by Oct. 2016.

Lake Campus Ag Building. Qualifications from Architectural/Engineering firms have been received and a shortlist developed. The design will commence after A/E selection is completed this month and construction will take place in 2017.