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Reeve Memorial Union Expansion
A History of Reeve Union

- Original building was built in 1957
- Minor additions and renovations were completed thru the years
- Significant addition in 2001 made Reeve Union what it is today
- The new Algoma entry was removed from the 2001 project due to budget issues
Usage of Reeve Union

- Usage of the building continues to increase:
  - Reservations increased 30% from 2004-05 to 2010-11
  - Reservations from student orgs increased by 24%
  - Of the 2.6 million people who entered/exited Reeve Union in 2010-11, **50% of them used the Algoma entrance!**
Reeve Advisory Council & Reeve Union Board support the expansion of the Algoma entrance.
What is included in this project?

- Add an accessible entrance to the Algoma side of the building
- Add a passenger elevator near the front of the building
- Add a lactation room and gender neutral bathroom
- Make the Algoma lobby entrance more open and welcoming. The current SLIC is closed off and students don’t know they can use it
- Add a reception area that will serve as a welcome/information desk for the building
- Additional meeting rooms on second floor
- Windows in the old part of the building will be replaced. This would improve energy efficiency and aesthetics
What is included in this project?

- SLIC will be expanded to include more space for computers, informal meeting space, work tables, storage for student orgs., a few more offices, and a dedicated area for artwork creation.

- The SLIC would have natural light. It would be more open and welcoming for all students to use.

- The UW Credit Union and the current stairwell would still be on first floor, but the location would change.
Some boring stuff included in the project

- Flooring in the older part of the building would be replaced – easier to clean & maintain
- Remove asbestos and lead paint
- Install new air handler and units to provide air to rooms only when being used
- Add sprinkler system to older area of 2nd floor
- New interior and exterior lighting/signage
- Additional storage space in the basement
- Replace the generator
- Replace the second floor roof in the older section of the building
- Renovate older bathrooms on first and second floor
Costs
- The estimated project cost is $7.6 million
- The project would be bonded for 20 years
- This amounts to a maximum of $28 per student/semester
- Fees would be increased gradually over three years – so the entire $28/semester wouldn’t be charged until 2015.
- The bond on the current building (2001 project) ends in 2022. This will result in a reduction of student fees starting that year. So there will be two bonds on the building for only 7 years.

Timeline for the project
- Start construction in August of 2013
- 15 months to complete – open in December of 2014
Why do I want this if I’ll be gone in 2015?

- We need to consider what is good for future students

- Students in 2004 approved building the Student Recreation & Wellness Center that opened in 2007

- Students in 1997 approved the renovation of Reeve Union that was completed in 2001

“We plant trees to benefit another generation.” -- Caecilius Statius
Vote!

- Student Elections are on March 13 & 14 to vote for OSA President & Vice President

- Includes a referendum to support the Reeve Union Building Addition

- Vote YES!