

Proposal to fund purchase and installation of new flooring, furniture, power and lighting upgrades to the Titan Student Union Food Court

PRESENTED TO: Titan Student Centers Board of Trustees, Facilities Committee

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

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BACKGROUND

The furniture and flooring in the Titan Student Union Food Court is dated and inefficient for the space. The flooring, currently 17" x 17" ceramic tile, and nearly all of the furniture was purchased in the last Food Court update in late 2006. Some areas of the floor have been cracked and show wear. The vinyl booths have been consistently repaired as they've been worn or damaged.

PROPOSAL

Authorize ASI staff to refresh and modernize the Titan Student Union Food Court through purchase and installation of new flooring, furniture and waste receptacles. Minor upgrades to public power access and lighting, as well as the removal of unused doors will occur at the same time. Funding is not to exceed \$396,000.00 and will be allocated from Titan Student Centers repair and replacement fund (TCUMR) (\$214,000 furniture, \$170,000 floor demo and replacement, \$12,000 trashcans).

RATIONALE

Furniture, flooring and public power upgrades will refresh and modernize the public seating area. Guests in the upgraded space will see increased student satisfaction with the Titan Student Union and their community experience. The high volume access and turnover for guests requires furniture and flooring that can be easily maintained throughout the day, and thoroughly cleaned overnight.

IMPACT

Increased customer satisfaction in a modern, thoughtful, planned and maintained dining experience. Access to power for students and guests for their personal electronics.

BUDGET IMPACT

Funding for this project is to be allocated from the Titan Student Centers repair and replacement fund (TCUMR) and is not to exceed \$396,000.00. The TCUMR balance as of March 31, 2019 was \$710,000. Barring unforeseen circumstances, the life expectancy of the furniture is 8-10 years, at which time replacements would be considered. Minor lighting and power upgrades to be accomplished through existing Titan Student Union staffing and minor construction budget.

IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE

Furniture and flooring materials to be ordered late April for delivery and project to begin in July 2019. Flooring, lighting and power installation expected for 4 weeks in July 2019. Furniture delivery

and installation expected to begin immediately thereafter, expected in early August 2019. The remodeled Food Court is expected to be completed prior to the start of the Fall Semester 2019.