

## APPENDIX C

### Authorization of Capital Improvements Project – Center for Design Innovation

In House Bill 1414 (S.L. 2004-124), the General Assembly made \$2 million available for capital improvements for the Center for Design Innovation, an inter-institutional center to further the instructional, creative, service, and research objectives of the North Carolina School of the Arts (NCSA) and Winston-Salem State University (WSSU). In House Bill 1264, the General Assembly provided an additional \$10,000,000 for the following.

Property acquisition in Piedmont-Triad Research Park for Winston-Salem State University programming related to biotechnology education and research; and land acquisition, site preparation, and engineering, architectural, and other consulting services for a Center for Design Innovation to be operated jointly by Winston-Salem State University and the North Carolina School of the Arts.

The formal establishment of the Center is on the agenda for the Committee on Educational Planning Policies and Programs with the North Carolina School of the Arts as the lead institution. The institution would use the \$2,000,000 to plan the facility and purchase equipment. The \$10,000,000 made available through House Bill 1264 is proposed to be allocated to both the North Carolina School of the Arts and Winston-Salem State University to jointly pursue the acquisition of land and other services as authorized in the legislation.

Should the Board of Governors approve the establishment of the Center for Design Innovation, it is recommended that the \$2,000,000 made available through House Bill 1414 be allocated to the North Carolina School of the Arts and that \$5,000,000 of the funds available through House Bill 1264 be allocated to the North Carolina School of the Arts and the remaining \$5,000,000 be allocated to Winston-Salem State University.