

## APPENDIX B

### Delegation of Construction Authority

With the passage of Senate Bill 914, the General Assembly provided the University with increased authority for the management of construction projects. The bill amended General Statute 116-31.1 to allow the university to conduct fee negotiations for all design contracts and to award and manage all construction and design projects costing \$2,000,000 and less, increasing this amount from the previous limit of \$500,000 established in 1998. The Board of Governors is responsible for ensuring that the staffing at each campus and affiliated organization is capable of handling this increased responsibility.

A review of the staff capacity and capability at all campuses, as well as at the Office of the President, indicates that each has the professional expertise to accept the increased authority. Affiliated organizations that now receive assistance will continue to require assistance as follows:

- (1) North Carolina Arboretum to be supported by Western Carolina University;
- (2) North Carolina School of Science and Math to be supported by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and
- (3) University of North Carolina Television to be supported by the University of North Carolina Office of the President

It is recommended that the Board delegate responsibility for projects costing \$2,000,000 and less to the constituent institutions and the Office of the President and that the affiliated organizations listed above be granted similar authority under the proposed support structure.