APPENDIX A

Authorization of New Capital Improvements Project - Appalachian State University

Appalachian State University has requested authority to establish a new capital improvements project for turf replacement at Kidd-Brewer Stadium.

The eight-year old synthetic astroturf playing surface is now reaching its projected life with the degradation posing a risk for students and athletes. This project would provide for the removal of the existing surface and a major portion of the underlying asphalt base to be replaced with a new "fieldturf" or "astroplay" product that offers a safer, more natural playing surface for football, soccer, and free play. The project is estimated to cost \$1.2 million and would be financed from the remaining balances in athletic reserves.

It is recommended that the project be authorized and that the method of financing as proposed by Appalachian State University be approved.