

**Springfield Technical Community College
Committee on Facilities and Capital Improvements Report
June 16, 2025**

Present: Trustees Jeffrey Sattler, Samalid Hogan. Also present: President John B. Cook

Unable to Attend: Trustee Elizabeth Oleksak-Sposito

Trustee Sattler called the meeting of the Committee on Facilities and Capital Improvements to order at 5:01 p.m.

School of Health Relocation

Andrea Nathanson, VP of Administration and Sustainability/CFO updated Trustees on the progress and status of the major capital project to relocate the School of Health and Patient Simulation (SHPS) from Building 20 to Building 2. The project is currently on track, and remains within the budget, with construction scheduled to begin October 2025 and occupancy still projected for late-Spring (May) 2027. A ground-breaking ceremony will likely be scheduled for late October or early November. With construction documents 50% complete, again, the estimated construction cost and total project cost are within DCAMM parameters.

Debra Avery, Senior Director of Facilities, shared a preview of design elements of the project, illustrating the intentional integration of academic and clinical spaces. Also noted was the high-level of faculty engagement in the planning process.

VP Nathanson also shared an overview of related enabling move related to relocation of SHPS, which are being funded by STCC. Highlighted the significant progress made in FY25, including the \$1.5 million relocation of the Digital Media program from Building 2/7th Floor to Building 17, as well as several major projects to be completed over the next couple of years, including the relocation from Building 20 of EMT to Building 27 and the anticipated move of Medical Lab Tech/Clinical Lab Tech program to Building 17.

Facilities Update

VP Nathanson provided an overview of the various funding sources used for college and campus facilities and capital improvements. In particular, she highlighted recent completion of the project to replace 164 windows in Building 16 funded by \$792K of Fair Share funding provided to STCC. She also noted that the FY26 Facilities and IT capital/project budgets have been increased by \$200,000 to account for potential tariff-related inflation.

Debra Avery reviewed the STCC and DCAMM capital & project budgets, including select examples of key projects. She also explained how the team strategically leverages carry over dollars from the STCC capital and project budget to fund enabling moves related to the SHPS relocation project. There was an overview of the Building 17 HVAC project as a preview to the tour that followed the meeting.

President's Perspective

Dr. Cook referenced the BRIGHT Act, which would give additional bond authorization to DCAMM, thus increasing the amount of capital funding specifically for public higher education in Massachusetts.

New Business

None

Date of the next meeting

Monday, January 12, 2026

Adjournment:

A roll call vote was taken to adjourn at 5:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Dominick Uguccione