

**APPROVAL OF FUNDING FOR CAMPUS ACCESS CONTROLS AND SECURITY
UPGRADES PROJECT**
A Recommendation

1. **Division and Department:** Finance and Administration and Facilities Management Department

2. **Introduction:** Security at Oakland University (University) is provided by card access systems and CCTV cameras for video surveillance. At present, two stand-alone access systems, Transact and Si-pass, are used for exterior and interior door access. The CCTV cameras provide real-time visual monitoring inside and outside campus buildings and in parking lots. There are blue light phones at various locations on campus for emergency phone access. Other security devices include intrusion alarms and door locks. For life safety, Siemens' fire alarm systems monitor and alert on any fire-related incidents.

The University is facing three main challenges with its current access and security infrastructure:

System Obsolescence: One of the current door access systems providers, Transact, no longer offers door security solutions and will no longer support the system after June 30th, 2026. This has created an urgent need to replace Transact with a new system with enhanced capabilities now and in the future, as well as expand the existing card access system to provide security for all critical exterior doors to support a more agile and effective access system.

Lack of Integration: The existing University security systems are stand-alone, and there is no tie-in, which creates a delayed response in activating other security systems in an emergency.

Lifecycle Maintenance: These security devices are constantly improving and it is necessary to operate and maintain these systems with timely upgrades.

The goal of the Campus Access Control and Security Upgrades Project (Project) is to enhance safety and security for the campus community and improve response time and capabilities in an emergency, by bringing these systems and related systems into a single enterprise and unified platform. Under this project scope, the two access control systems will be replaced, door access systems will be expanded to all critical exterior doors of all academic buildings, and all security systems will be integrated, leveraging new technologies for a fast response and to provide lockdown capabilities of all campus buildings with the push of a button, to the extent possible.

Facilities Management, Oakland University Police Department (OUPD), and University Technology Services (UTS) are collaborating to deploy this system and have mutually selected the new vendor to replace Transact and an integrator to unify the system through an open bidding process, and have developed the total estimated Project cost for an approval request to the Board of Trustees (Board).

Based on bids received, Facilities Management is requesting Board approval of \$5.9 million to execute construction of the Project.

The estimated schedule to complete the Project is approximately 2 to 2.5 years, depending on the timely delivery of security devices, parts and pieces, and related materials.

3. **Previous Board Action:** As a result of the recommendations from the Campus Security Door Access Audit commissioned by the Audit Committee dated July 31, 2024, the Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration was directed to consolidate all access controls and put all academic buildings under electronic access control to enable remote campus wide lockdown.

4. **Budget Implications:** The funding source for this \$5.9 million project is Fund #24350 Capital Project Supplement Fund.

5. **Educational Implications:** None.

6. **Personnel Implications:** None.

7. **University Reviews/Approvals:** This recommendation was prepared by Facilities Management and OUPD and reviewed by the Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration and the President.

8. **Recommendation:**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees formally approves the \$5.9 million not to exceed budget authorized for use for the Campus Access Controls and Security Upgrades Project; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees directs the President, Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration, and their respective designees, to perform all acts and deeds and to execute and deliver all contracts, instruments, and documents required by this resolution that are necessary, expedient, and proper in connection with the Campus Access and Security Upgrades Project and the ongoing administration of the Project; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that said contracts, instruments and documents shall be reviewed by and be in a form acceptable to the Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel prior to execution, and be in compliance with the law and with University policies and regulations and conform to the legal standards of the Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel.

9. **Attachments:** None

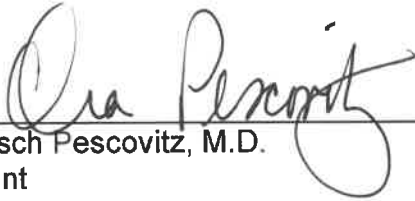
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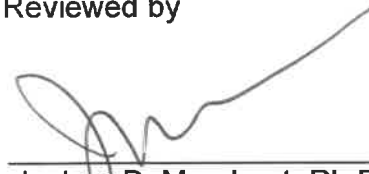
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Recommended on 8/4, 2026
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