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TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Scott A. Jordan
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RE: Software Upgrade to the PeopleSoft Student Administration System

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees approve a budget of $1,372,000 for licensing, consulting and contingency required to upgrade the PeopleSoft Student Administration system software to Campus Solutions 9.2 and PeopleTools 8.57. The Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees adopt the Resolution below.

RESOLUTION:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approve the use of $1,372,000 in UCONN 2000 Bond Funds for an upgrade to the PeopleSoft Student Administration system."

BACKGROUND:

The University, inclusive of Storrs, the regional campuses, and the Health Center, are currently using PeopleSoft Campus Solutions (CS) 9.0 and PeopleTools (PT) 8.54 from Oracle for the Student Administration system. PT 8.54 is no longer supported by the vendor, which means we do not receive critical patch updates, including those that address security vulnerabilities. We also need to upgrade to the latest PT 8.57 release because the interim upgrade, PT 8.56, requires search functionality not supported by the current CS version.

By upgrading to CS 9.2 and PT 8.57, the University improves the security of a system that contains sensitive data and aligns with Oracle's upgrade schedule, ensuring continued support. This upgrade will also introduce new technology that improves the performance of the internal search engine and enhances mobile responsiveness. These enhancements will deliver a more contemporary experience that better meet student expectations and device preferences.

This project is sponsored by Information Technology Services (ITS) with support from the offices of Financial Aid, Registrar, Admissions, and Bursar. The project budget consists of consulting services and licensing procured in accordance with State contracting requirements and University policies and procedures.

The project is scheduled to begin in March 2020 and targeted for completion in December 2020.