

CONSENT ITEM (RESOLUTION 26-04-14)

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South Puget Sound Community College – local capital expenditure increase authority to construct a soccer facility

Brief Description

South Puget Sound Community College seeks authority to spend up to an additional \$1,000,000 in local funding to support completion of infrastructure for a soccer facility.

How does this item link to the State Board’s Strategic Plan?

This project will support student success and retention through increased student engagement.

Background information and analysis

South Puget Sound Community College is developing an 81,000 sq. ft. soccer field on its main campus at 2011 Mottman Rd. SW, Olympia, WA 98512. It will support intercollegiate athletic programs by hosting soccer matches, team training, and other related activities. Project costs include supportive infrastructure estimated at \$1,000,000, bringing the total project cost to \$6,000,000.

South Puget Sound Community College received approval in State Board Resolution 25-02-01 for up to \$5,000,000 in alternative financing backed by local funding. The South Puget Sound Community College Board of Trustees approved an additional \$1,000,000 during its December 14, 2021, and October 14, 2025, meetings. These funds were originally set aside for work associated with the college’s planned student housing project.

The college now proposes to apply these funds to shared utility infrastructure that will support both the future housing development and the soccer field project. This infrastructure was included as an alternate in the soccer field project bid and can be completed due to favorable bids for the base project. Installing the shared utilities at this time will reduce future disruption to campus grounds and services and avoid higher costs associated with completing the work separately at a later date.

Recommendation/preferred result

Staff recommends approval of Resolution 26-04-14, granting South Puget Sound Community College the authority to spend up to an additional \$1,000,000 in local funds to support infrastructure for the soccer field.

Policy Manual Change Yes No

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STATE OF WASHINGTON
STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGES
RESOLUTION 26-04-14

A resolution relating to South Puget Sound Community College's request of additional \$1,000,000 local funding authority in support of shared infrastructure for a soccer facility.

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 28B.50 and State Board policy, 6.20 the State Board any expenditure of capital funds, any expenditure for a capital purpose, and each capital improvement project affecting educational facilities, must be approved by the State Board; and

WHEREAS, South Puget Sound Community College is constructing an 81,000 square foot synthetic soccer field with field lighting, practice field, spectator seating, and a small concession and restroom building on its Olympia campus to support intercollegiate athletics and related activities; and

WHEREAS, the State Board previously authorized the college, through Resolution 25-02-01, to finance up to \$5,000,000 for the project using a locally supported 20-year Certificate of Participation; and

WHEREAS, the South Puget Sound Community College Board of Trustees approved the use of an additional \$1,000,000 in local funds during its December 14, 2021, and October 14, 2025, meetings for infrastructure associated with planned student housing; and

WHEREAS, the college proposes to apply these funds to shared utility infrastructure included as an alternate in the soccer facility project bid, which will support both the soccer facility and future student housing projects, and can be completed due to favorable bids on the base project, thereby reducing future costs and disruption to campus grounds and services;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges authorizes South Puget Sound Community College to expend up to \$1,000,000 in additional local funds for the project, for a total project cost not to exceed \$6,000,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges authorizes the Executive Director to make adjustments to this action, including any necessary changes to the State Board's Policy Manual, as necessary, for actions taken by the Governor, Legislature, data corrections, externally imposed restrictions or guidelines, uniform accounting and reporting requirements, and unanticipated changes in state or federal law.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED on April 9, 2026

Attest



Nate Humphrey, secretary



Martin Valadez, chair