

Council of Trustees West Chester University West Chester, Pennsylvania 19383 Council of Trustees Resolution 2012-28

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**Proposed** 

#### RESOLUTION

### **COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES**

#### WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

NOVEMBER 8, 2012

## **DEMOLITION OF MCCARTHY HALL**

WHEREAS, the University evaluated the option of renovating this facility to provide improved housing accommodations; and

WHEREAS, the renovation was not deemed cost effective, and the University ultimately entered into an agreement with the WCU Foundation to construct replacement housing as part of an overall housing renewal initiative; and

WHEREAS, the site of McCarthy Hall is intended to be the location for the Business and Public Affairs Center building, which is funded and currently being designed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Council of Trustees, approve the demolition of McCarthy Hall.

APPROVED PENDING ACTION BY THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES

Gyeg Weisenstein, Ed.D.

President

Date

APPROVED BY VOTE OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES

Thomas A. Fillippo, Chairperson

Council of Trustees

N/8/N Date

## **Proposed Demolition of McCarthy Hall**

The University is seeking approval to demolish McCarthy Hall – a residence hall that was built on the north side of North Campus in 1960. McCarthy Hall accommodates 244 students. The facility is outdated and lacks the living configurations and conditions (e.g., private bathrooms and air conditioning) that is most in demand by students and their parents.

The University evaluated the option of renovating this facility to provide improved accommodations. However, renovation was not deemed cost effective, and the University ultimately entered into an agreement with the WCU Foundation to construct replacement housing as part of an overall housing renewal initiative.

The University Foundation is currently constructing apartment-style housing as part of a Phase 2 of the housing renewal initiative which will provide sufficient housing to compensate for the loss of McCarthy Hall.

The site of McCarthy Hall is intended to be the location for the future Business and Public Affairs Center which is currently under design.

The request to demolish McCarthy Halls was prepared in accordance with guidance from the Office of the Chancellor. If approved by the Council of Trustees, the request will be submitted to the Board of Governors for approval before submission to the Department of General Services. The Department of General Services has final approval authority for demolition of all structures constructed with Commonwealth funds.

# McCarthy Hall

**50 Sharpless Street** 

**Built:** 1960

**Size:** 58,068 sf

Bed count: 244

