2019 AFAC Slate of Proposals

Project	Who is it for?	Money Allocated
Video board and video scorers table for pershing arena	Varsity	100,000
Batting screens	Baseball	2000
Baseball and Softball Bullpen Project (in addition to the 8500 allocated in 2018)	Baseball, Softball	17850
Infield repair and leveling	Softball	6500
Varsity weight room cardio equipment and soft box jumps	Varsity weight room, Basketball	17000
Restock rugby med kit	Club sports	150
Light C-Hall Volleyball courts	Intramurals	5000
Vinyl fencing for softball field	Softball	23000
Rapsodo for pitching and hitting	Baseball and Softball	8500
Batter's eye	Baseball	25000
Vertimax machine	Varsity weight room	5500
30 lb washing machine	Varsity Sports	6500
Emergency maintenance fee		15000
Extra for restrooms by soccer/tennis		100000
	Total	332000

- 1. <u>Video board and video scorers table for pershing arena</u>: This project will benefit every sport that uses pershing area. The existing scoreboard is 13 years old, installed in 2006 and has begun to get run down and is very outdated. The video scoreboard will be mounted on the wall and allow for us to take the center hung scoreboard down. The current center hung scoreboard is not ideal for volleyball and does not comply with the NCAA standards for ceiling height (it hangs much too low). The addition to the video scores table will allow for advertising and make us competitive with other universities. The video scoreboard will also be an asset to be used for December graduation.
- <u>Baseball batting screens</u>: This project includes both a 8x15 tri fold screen and an 8x8 L screen. These two screens are essential to have for baseball practice to ensure safety of the athletes and coaches. The current screens are falling apart and have been repaired so many times that they no longer serve the intended purpose.



- 3. <u>Baseball and Softball Bullpen Project (in addition to the 8500 allocated in 2018)</u>: The softball project from 2018 was unable to be completed due to insufficient funds allocated. That project included a fenced in visiting team bullpen beyond the left field fence for softball. This project proposal includes the needs of both the baseball and softball teams. This includes rebuilding the existing mound and plate areas for baseball on both the home and visitor sides. The current bullpen mounds are open to weather and erode easily. This will enclose them and maintain the integrity of the pitchers mounds. This project will also allow for bullpens to be fenced in and less of a hazard to the nearby roads, pedestrians, and fans walking by.
- 4. <u>Softball infield repair and leveling</u>: The infield of the softball field is very uneven. The low areas on infield do not provide a level playing surface. This can result in injured players, poor drainage, and it greatly alters the play of ground balls on the infield. This project will level out the low areas and make the play area even.
- 5. <u>Varsity weight room cardio equipment and soft box jumps:</u> The varsity weight room currently has 3 bikes that are getting very old and are constantly being taken out of the weight room for rehabilitation purposes. They are the most used pieces of equipment in the weight room. This proposal includes replacing the existing 3 bikes with new ones that will not be removed from the weight room and buying two light weight bikes with only resistance capabilities to be stored in the equipment room for sports such as basketball to use for rehabilitation purposes. This project also includes buying a new set of box jumps that are the padded type. The current box jumps have caused many injuries to multiple sports and this will be beneficial for all varsity athletics. This set will be more accessible and easier to move around than the extremely heavy and bulky set that currently exists.
- 6. <u>Restock rugby med kit</u>: Rugby is a club sport that does not receive funding for medical supplies and can be a very dangerous sport. When the team travels there are no athletic trainers provided for the games and players have be responsible for recurring injuries and minor medical care themselves. This project fully restocks the medical kit that the team brings to competitions

including: antibiotic cream, prewrap, 1" tape, tissues, icy hot, sunscreen, ankle brace, KT tape, and light pen

- 7. <u>Light C-Hall Volleyball courts</u>: The 2018 Truman intramural sand volleyball season accommodate almost 700 individuals and had to schedule all games before sunset creating a much smaller portion of time that games could be scheduled because none of the sand volleyball courts are lighted currently. This project will utilize current light poles and electricity nearby the court and will include four lighting poles to be installed.
- 8. <u>Vinyl fencing for softball field</u>: This project will include proper installation of fencing in outfield (last time it was installed they left it too high off the ground and balls can get stuck and go under the fence in some areas). In addition, to upgrade fencing that is more player friendly with the vinyl coating as it isn't as rough as regular fencing when contact is made by players making defensive plays.
- 9. <u>Rapsodo for pitching and hitting</u>: This is an analysis and filming technology for pitchers and hitters (players want to see data and video to support form and proper mechanics) *Rapsodo provides instant data for pitchers and hitters of speed, exit angle from bat, spin rate and spin axis, iPad and iPhone connection capability. This will be utilized by both the baseball and softball teams to enhance the technique feedback enhancing the overall program.
- 10. <u>Batter's eye on the baseball field</u>: The batter's eye or batter's eye screen is a solid-colored, usually dark area beyond the center field wall of a baseball stadium, that is the visual backdrop directly in the line of sight of a baseball batter, while facing the pitcher and awaiting a pitch. This dark surface allows the batter to see the pitched ball against a sharply contrasted and uncluttered background. Its purpose is the safety and hitting success of the batter. The use of a batter's background has been standard in baseball since at least the late 19th century.
- 11. <u>Vertimax machine</u>: The vertimax is a machine that provides resistance for vertical jumps, running, and can be used in many different versatile situations. This will be stored in the varsity weight room and be used by many varsity athletic teams. It can aid in training in jump height, leg power, step quickness, and overall speed.



- 12. <u>30 lb washing machine</u>: In the varsity laundry room there is only one working 30 lb washing machine. This leads to a long wait for sports to get their practice gear, jerseys,of the athletic trainers laundry back. This will replace the other broken down 30 lb washing machine in the varsity laundry room.
- 13. <u>Emergency maintenance fee</u>: This is a necessity for the fee. It pays for the refinishing the surface of the wood floor in Pershing, the topdressing for many of the athletic fields, turfus to keep the infields in working fashion, and emergency situations when things break.
- 14. Extra for restrooms by soccer/tennis: This was a project that was approved in 2018 and \$100,000 allocated to this. When meeting with grounds and campus planning it was discovered that it would take a lot more money to get this project done. This is one of the projects that the AFAC feels extremely strongly about getting done. The student athlete population, faculty, and staff are also very much behind getting this project done and sees it as a priority. The committee plans to allocate another large sum of money to ensure that this project can be completed as soon as possible.