PHASE ONE FACT SHEET:
ATHLETICS AND RECREATION FACILITIES MASTER PLAN

Expansion and Renovation of the Lilly Center

Proposed Phase One enhancements to the Lilly Center focus primarily on a 36,000 square foot expansion, along with a renovation of existing space, designed to address University priorities related to fitness, training facilities and recreational programming.

Specifically, Phase One includes the following initiatives:

- **Fitness Center** – A new 16,000 square foot, two-story fitness center will provide the primary training and fitness facility for each of DePauw’s varsity teams and for the campus community. The new facility will more than triple the size of the existing fitness center. With the increased footprint, the facility will provide a venue fully capable of accommodating DePauw’s integrated training model—the University’s preferred approach—in which student-athletes train alongside non-athlete students.

- **Multipurpose Rooms** – Three multipurpose rooms—primarily to support fitness classes, spin classes, and dance—will be constructed in space vacated by the existing fitness center. These new spaces will triple the space currently available for these activities, and will help the University meet a growing student demand for organized fitness classes.

- **New Roof for the Natatorium** – To accommodate future enhancements to the Lilly Center, the roof of the pool will be raised and replaced. Whereas the current roof slopes towards the east, the new, two-story, roof will make it possible for the existing natatorium to be converted to a practice gymnasium upon the future construction of a new 50-meter pool in Phase Three.

- **Kinesiology Offices and Laboratories** – A renovation of space currently occupied by underutilized racquetball courts will more than double the office and laboratory space currently available for the Department of Kinesiology, a department that has struggled to accommodate a significant increase in the number of majors, particularly given the discipline’s heavy research focus.

- **Renovation of Locker Rooms** – New recreational locker rooms will be constructed within existing space vacated by the Kinesiology Department.

- **Administrative Offices and Spaces** – The expansion of the Lilly Center will enable expansion of spaces currently used for administrative activities, such as team meetings. Office spaces will also be renovated.
Enhancements to DePauw Athletics Campus

Proposed enhancements to DePauw’s Athletics Campus in Phase One of the Master Plan focus primarily on providing quality competition surfaces for multiple varsity athletic teams and implementing plan components that must be sequentially completed to allow for later phase enhancements. Projects include:

- **Installation of Synthetic Turf at Blackstock Stadium** – In order to provide a consistently playable surface, synthetic turf will be installed at Blackstock Stadium.

- **Track and Field Enhancements** – The installation of a synthetic surface at Blackstock Stadium necessitates the construction of new track and field facilities. Throwing events, in particular, cannot take place on a synthetic surface without damaging the facility. A new facility for these events (javelin, hammer, discus and shot put) will be constructed just west of the railroad tracks on the western edge of the athletic campus. Additionally, due to the width of a synthetic surface at Blackstock Stadium, runs and jumps will be located on space made available by the demolition of the visitor’s stands. (During the football season, temporary bleachers will be erected.)

- **Construction of Multi-Sport Stadium and Practice Field** – A new multipurpose stadium, located immediately south of Blackstock Stadium, will provide a championship-quality competition venue equipped with synthetic turf. The adjacent practice field, to be constructed parallel to, and immediately east of, the competition field will initially be planted with Bermuda grass, but will eventually be replaced with a synthetic surface. The competition field will provide the permanent home for men’s and women’s soccer and men’s and women’s lacrosse. The stadium will also provide a competition venue for field hockey.1 Additionally, the multipurpose stadium will provide a lighted venue for intramural sports as well as locker rooms for varsity athletic teams.

- **New Parking Spaces** – With the new multipurpose stadium resting on the site of an existing parking lot, new parking will be constructed to the south of the new stadium and to the east of its practice field. (The University is committed to providing a net-neutral impact on the number of parking spaces in this portion of campus, though this may not be achieved until the completion of Phase Three.)

- **Partial Renovation of Hanna Street** – The streetscape between Blackstock Stadium and the multipurpose stadium will be renovated upon completion of enhancements to the field and track at Blackstock and the completion of the multipurpose stadium.

In total, Phase One represents those core enhancements required for proper sequencing to allow for additional major enhancements in Phase Two and Three.

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1 The University is committed to ensuring the field hockey team competes on a synthetic surface as soon as one is installed within the Athletics Campus. It is possible, however, that field hockey may play at Blackstock Stadium, should that be deemed a more appropriate venue, due to scheduling needs or other factors.

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