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FORT HAYS KANSAS STATE COLLEGE

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January 14, 1977

Rep. Pat Augustine
State Capitol Building
Topeka, KS 66612

Dear Pat:

This letter is in reply to your question as to why Fort Hays State needs a new classroom building. The following information should prove helpful.

This building will provide satisfactory space to meet code and safety requirements, as well as provide space requirements for teaching and/or learning conditions to meet current standards. This building will replace all 1.0 instruction space presently shown to be in obsolete space condition, and will provide space to meet the deficit space needs as reported in the Physical Planning workbook to the Board of Regents.

Numerically, our justification is apparent, but more importantly we see the justification on our campus every day in the following:

1. Either crowded or non-existent office space for faculty,
2. Due to the lack of space, class periods are held at inconvenient times, and
3. In the obsolete and dangerous lab space in which we must educate our students, I think you would agree that quality education can be threatened by lack of, or obsolete physical facilities.


To elaborate on it just a little further, this building will include space presently occupied by the art department in the Davis Hall art annex which will be remodeled to provide space for the print shop that is now located in Martin Allen (obsolete condition). This building will also include space for all 1.0 instruction space presently located in Picken Hall, since Picken Hall is scheduled for major remodeling for conversion to the administration building for the campus.

You are also aware that there will be eight departments housed in the new classroom building which will free up space for other needed activity and classrooms on campus. Overall we feel there is a strong, in fact, irrefutable case for a new classroom building at Fort Hays. We feel that we have been conservative by most standards in our request and generally hope you will do whatever is necessary to support this new classroom building.

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I plan on being in Topeka next week and will stop in.

Sincerely,



Ronald C. Pflughoft
Executive Assistant to the President

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