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DATE: 31 May 1973
TO: Vice President John W. Hartley
Administration Building - Room 326
FROM: Mr. Walter M. Tisdale
Service Building "A" - Room 103
SUBJECT: Campus Progress Report No. 219
Replace Stage Rigging, Page Hall

Yesterday we attended a bid opening for this project. Two bids were received. Lowest bid was submitted by the Samal Construction Company, Albany, New York, with a base bid of \$5,000 and three alternates totalling \$10,500, for a total of \$15,000. It is expected that the contract will be formally awarded in a couple of weeks and work will be started soon after.

In all likelihood the job will be essentially completed, rendering the auditorium in Page Hall ready for use again for the 1973 Fall semester.

The job consists essentially of the repair and replacement of worn parts, cables, ropes, etc., that comprise the stage rigging and which have been worn to the point where we were fearful of an accident. Another important aspect covered by one of the alternates will be the replacement of the curtain, which has become particularly worn and soiled, with a new attractive curtain.

This project should place Page Hall back in the big leagues of auditorium activity on the old campus as well as within the community. This has been a popular show spot for all sorts of community oriented arts in the past, and it will now be in a good position to resume that role upon completion of this contract if the university so desires. Such activities especially involving community shows had to be curtailed a couple of years ago owing to the safety aspects of the old rigging. Page Hall has been particularly valuable to the university in as much as the seating capacity (1350) is the largest single auditorium which we have on either campus.

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