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**Program Plan for a
Basketball/Volleyball Practice Facility
For the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics**

*Summary and Recommendation for the
BCPC Meeting on June 12, 2008*

Project Description:

Development of a permanent Athletics two-court basketball/volleyball sports practice facility and related student-athlete support facilities to be located adjacent to the Coors Events Center. The practice facility was initially proposed in 2007.

The full Program Plan can be found on the BCPC web site at:
<http://fm.colorado.edu/planning/bcpc/>

Issues Identified and Initially Addressed in the Feasibility Study:

- **Program Needs:** The training and practice program for the college athlete is a year-round endeavor either as an organized team program or as an individual skills building and conditioning life style. Both the women's and men's basketball programs presently lack adequate off-season and indoor practice and support facilities. The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics basketball (men's and women's) and volleyball programs currently practice and compete on the CEC's wood event floor. Operationally, the teams must stagger their practice schedules as well as their competition schedules (between the three programs, 53 competition events are played annually in the CEC arena). Often, the volleyball program is forced to travel to the outdated Carlson Gymnasium to conduct their practices. For the CEC, the time dedicated to these three sports essentially removes it from consideration for most other non-athletics events that occur on campus. During the summer, coaches conduct camps as well, usually needing multiple facilities to fulfill their needs. Many events can not be held on campus simply because no other appropriate venue exists and the CEC offers no schedule openings. In order to stay competitive on a national basis, facilities are required that will attract and retain the very best coaches and student athletes and that are on par with other programs that now possess or are developing such facilities.
- **Space Needs:** Two new NCAA regulation size (50' x 94') basketball practice floors, one for the men's program and one for the women's program will allow for more scheduled

formal team training and practices and individual skills development. Other space will include a lobby, rest rooms, and circulation corridor attachment to the existing CEC; volleyball locker rooms and coach's office; new general storage and loading/staging area for CEC and mechanical space. The building will be approximately 32,700 gross square feet (GSF). An additional area of approximately 3,000 GSF within CEC will be remodeled for Women's Basketball locker rooms and related student – athlete support spaces.

- **Health and Safety Issues:** The existing program and facilities do not pose any immediate health and safety issues. The concern that this proposal addresses is the overall well being of the participating student athletes in terms of providing a well rounded program with facilities to support it and the athletic and academic goals of the student athletes.
- **Source of Funds:** The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics will raise the funds required for the project through donations. The ongoing operational funds will be obtained from general revenues of the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics.

Review Process:

The BCPC and the Chancellor's Executive Committee approved the Feasibility Study for this project on October 11, 2007. Upon BCPC recommendation to the Chancellor, this Program Plan will be forwarded to the CEC.

Recommended BCPC Motion:

Staff recommends the following motion for BCPC's consideration on June 12, 2007:

BCPC recommends approval of the Program Plan for the Basketball/Volleyball Practice Facility for the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics as presented.