

**ILLINOIS STATE
UNIVERSITY**

**BOARD OF
TRUSTEES**

Resolution No. 2025.10/38
Approval to Replace the Hancock
Stadium Video Board

Resolution

Whereas, Hancock Stadium is a vital, multi-purpose facility at Illinois State University that supports a wide array of athletic programs, university events, and community engagements, and

Whereas, the existing video board at Hancock Stadium was installed in 2013 and has reached the end of its functional and technological life cycle, and

Whereas, an upgraded video board is essential to adequately support intercollegiate athletics, improve fan engagement, enhance student-athlete experiences, and maintain the competitive quality of events hosted at Hancock Stadium:

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Illinois State University authorizes the acquisition and installation of a new video board system for Hancock Stadium, and

Therefore, the Board of Trustees authorizes expenditures not to exceed \$2,000,000 for this project, to be funded through private donations made to the Illinois State University Foundation.

Board Action on: _____
Motion by: _____
Second by: _____
Vote: Yeas: _____ Nays: _____

Postpone: _____
Amend: _____
Disapprove: _____
Approve: _____

ATTEST: Board Action, October 17, 2025

Secretary / Chairperson

**Board of Trustees
Illinois State University
Approval to Replace the Hancock Stadium Video Board**

This item requests Board of Trustees approval to spend up to \$2,000,000 for the purchase and installation of a new outdoor video board at Hancock Stadium.

Hancock Stadium is a vital resource that supports Illinois State University's intercollegiate athletic programs, university-wide events, and community activities. As the home of Redbird Football, the facility is also used by the School of Kinesiology and Recreation, local high schools, and statewide organizations such as the Illinois Special Olympics.

The existing video board at Hancock Stadium was installed in 2013 and has reached the end of its service life. Technological advancements in display resolution, audio, and control systems have made the current system outdated in comparison to peer institutions. Upgrading the video board is essential to enhance the in-game experience for fans, student-athletes, and broadcast partners, while maintaining the University's ability to host high-profile events.

The proposed video board package from Daktronics includes a significantly larger and higher-resolution display, a modern control room system, and integrated audio support. This project will ensure Hancock Stadium remains competitive and continues to serve as a premier venue within the Missouri Valley Football Conference and beyond.

Project Scope –Design and construct two (2) new steel support beams to be installed in the ground to support the new video board structure. Furnish and install one (1) outdoor Daktronics LED video display measuring approximately 31.5 feet high by 64.3 feet wide, with a 10mm pixel pitch and a 960 x 1960 pixel matrix. Install supporting components including fiber cabling, remote power control, and a Daktronics custom control system with backup. Provide two (2) All Sport 5010 control kits, a standard audio system, and two (2) non-backlit advertising panels. Include physical and electrical installation, accent truss, power and data connections, project management, and shipping. The scope also includes a locally hosted 5-year subscription to Venus® Control Suite, spare parts, a creative services content package, three (3) days of on-site training, and two (2) days of live event control room support.

Resource Requirements

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
Design Fees	\$150,000
Daktronics Video Board	\$1,400,000
Construction	\$250,000
Contingency	<u>\$200,000</u>
Total Project Cost	\$2,000,000

Source of Funding: Donations Through Foundation