he Washburn University Board of Regents approved a $1.24 million renovation to the School of Law, which was completed for the beginning of classes for Fall 2004. A classroom dedication was held on Saturday, October 16, in conjunction with Reunion Weekend, to showcase the newly renovated space.

Remodeling included enhancing the classroom stage and seating areas, upgrading electricity sources for computers and internet access, making modifications to meet accessibility requirements and maintain better acoustics in the classrooms. A section of the third floor of the law library was also renovated to provide additional office space for added faculty. All desk areas in the classrooms have electrical outlets at each seat for laptop computers. The common area formerly known as “the pit” was completely renovated and opened up to make a larger, more useable and accessible space.

The dedication ceremony was held in a tent outside with remarks from Dr. Jerry Farley, President of Washburn University and Dean Dennis Honabach. After brief remarks, attendees entered the school for a ribbon cutting with Dr. Farley, Dean Honabach and Ben Blair ’65, a member of the Board of Regents. After the ribbon cutting the rooms were available for tours.

Washburn Law is extremely grateful to the University and the Board of Regents for providing funds to enhance the classrooms and bring them up to current standards. You can view complete renovations of each room on the law school website at: www.washburnlaw.edu/remodel

Before: Old classroom seating
Classroom Remodeling

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OLD Classrooms

NEW Classrooms

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