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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal from the College of Veterinary Medicine for the following change will be an agenda item for the January 22, 2021, Full University Curriculum Committee meeting:

Change the name of the Department of Veterinary Biosciences and Diagnostic Imaging to the Department of Biomedical Sciences

Sincerely,

John Maerz, Chair

University Curriculum Committee

cc: Provost S. Jack Hu
Dr. Rahul Shrivastav

PROPOSAL FOR ACADEMIC UNIT NAME CHANGE

Date: December 14, 2020

Department/Division: Veterinary Biosciences and Diagnostic Imaging

School/College/Unit: College of Veterinary Medicine

Proposed Effective Date: Fall 2021

NAME CHANGE:

Current Name: Department of Veterinary Biosciences and Diagnostic Imaging

Proposed Name: Department of Biomedical Sciences

JUSTIFICATION:

The Diagnostic Imaging portion of the Department of Veterinary Biosciences and Diagnostic Imaging (VBDI) is moving to the departments of Small Animal Medicine and Surgery (SAMS) and Large Animal Medicine and Surgery (LAMS), which necessitates a name change for VBDI. The new department name is in step with similar programs at our peer institutions, nationally and internationally. Additionally, the department has greatly expanded its research focus over the last several years. A name change will demonstrate the basic science presence that now exists in the department. This will assist the faculty as they seek extramural funding by showing a collaborative research infrastructure within the department.

Documentation of Approval and Notification

Proposal: Name Change for the Department of Veterinary Biosciences and Diagnostic Imaging to the Department of Biomedical Sciences

College: College of Veterinary Medicine

Department: Veterinary Biosciences and Diagnostic Imaging

Proposed Effective Term: Fall 2021

Department:

- Veterinary Biosciences and Diagnostic Imaging Department Head, Dr. Steven Holladay, 12/10/20

School/College:

- College of Veterinary Medicine Dean, Dr. Lisa Nolan, 12/10/20