August 18, 2004

Jay A. Perman, MD Dean and Associate Vice President for Clinical Services College of Medicine University of Kentucky Medical Center 800 Rose Street MN150B UKMC 0298

Dear Dr. Perman.

I am writing at the request of Dr. Alan Daugherty in strong support of the proposal to create a Cardiovascular Research Center

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I believe that the Center will facilitate basic cardiovascular research and assist in the evolution of transitional and clinical research within the Gill Heart Institute and the UK HealthCare enterprise.

Despite the centrality of cardiovascular research in many clinical and basic science departments, the furtherance of research in this area has lacked a central focus and organizing center. The analogy of the Markey Cancer Center comes to mind and offers the prospect of a unifying focus for research and education in cardiovascular disease and prevention.

Since cardiovascular disease has emerged as a projected center of excellence within the enterprise, the creation of a Center to support research and other initiatives will play a beneficial role in both clinical and translational research activities.

My department has a particular interest in ultimately recruiting a cardiovascular pathologist to advance the clinical and research agenda that was suspended at the time of Dr. William O'Connor's retirement. We look forward to the creation of the Center for cardiovascular research as an opportunity to participate in the advancement of cardiovascular studies at the University of Kentucky.

Best personal regards,

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 7, 2004

TO: Dr. Jay A. Perman, Dean College of Medicine

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FROM: Jeannine Blackwell, Dean The Graduate School

RE: Cardiovascular Research Center

I heartily endorse the formation of a Cardiovascular Research Center. This Center will focus the activities of the Graduate Center for Nutritional Sciences and others on campus working on cardiovascular problems, obesity and diabetes. As Dean of the GCNS, I find that this will be to the great advantage of our faculty members and their research.

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Dear Dr. Perman:

This is in response to a request by Dr. Alan Daugherty in regard to my input on the creation of a Cardiovascular Research Center at the University of Kentucky (UK). I provide my response in two perspectives, first as a cardiovascular researcher at UK, second as Director of the Graduate Center for Nutritional Sciences (GCNS). In both perspectives, I support the creation of a Cardiovascular Research Center as described in the proposed document (last revised April 11, 2004).

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All of the resident faculty proposed in the Cardiovascular Research Center are located to space allocated to the GCNS on the 5th floor. Wethington Health Sciences Building. Their nutritionally relevant research programs focused on various aspects of cardiovascular disease provide excellent training opportunities for graduate students in the Ph.D. program in Nutritional Sciences. Their productive and well funded research programs are an asset to Nutritional Sciences in training, in recruiting high quality graduate students, and in competing for extramural funding for our doctoral program. As described in the proposal document, cardiovascular disease is a major cause of morbidity and mortality in the Commonwealth. In addition, a large portion of cardiovascular disease is directly attributed to nutritional status, including the epidemic of obesity in Kentucky. The establishment of a Cardiovascular Research Center will facilitate the continued growth and success of their research programs, which can only benefit the GCNS. While Nutritional Sciences is a broad-based program with joint appointees in diverse areas and departments on campus, it is the cardiovascular community that primarily provides to the GCNS strength in nutritionally relevant research at both the basic science and clinical level. Thus, any mechanism that facilitates the research of the cardiovascular community at UK also facilitates the graduate programs of the GCNS. I am confident that the mutual benefits that currently exist between the GCNS and the cardiovascular researchers of the proposed center will continue to flourish with the establishment of a Cardiovascular Research Center.

In conclusion, I support the proposal to create a Cardiovascular Research Center both as a scientist performing cardiovascular research and as Director of the GCNS. I envision that we will continue to work well together to enhance research and graduate training in nutritionally related cardiovascular research at UK.

Sincerely, Lisa A. Cassis,

Professor Director, Graduate Center for Nutritional Sciences

cc:

Alan Daugherty Fred DeBeer



August 13, 2004

Jay A. Perman, M.D. Dean, College of Medicine Vice President for Clinical Affairs MN150 Chandler Medical Center 0298 Frederick C. de Beer, M.D. Jack M. Gill, Professor Chairman, Department of Internal Medicine University of Kentucky Kentucky Clinic - Room J525 Lexington, KY 40536-0284 Email: fcdebe1@uky.edu Office: (859) 257-5116 Fax: (859) 257-8364

RE: Creation of a Cardiovascular Research Center

Dear Dr. Perman:

It is with enthusiasm that I write to support the creation of a Cardiovascular Research Center in the College of Medicine at the University of Kentucky. I have had the pleasure of being involved in discussions about the creation of this Center with many academic peers. These include not only the faculty in the Department of Internal Medicine but also the Director of the Graduate Center for Nutritional Sciences and others. I am confident that there is a consensus that this would be a very positive development to advance cardiovascular science at our University. As we are moving towards creating such a Center, we have also invested substantial infrastructure to propel our clinical cardiology forward. I am gratified to note that to date we have recruited four nationally known academic cardiologists who would be powerful allies to the Cardiovascular Research Center so as to build translational bridges that are often easily talked about but much more complex to establish.

Over the last decade cardiovascular research has emerged as one of the strongest focus areas at the University of Kentucky. This is appropriate for a state that has such a frightening mortality from cardiovascular disease. The era of individual and esoteric science existing by itself is rapidly coming to an end. A much larger critical mass focused on a relevant problem is the vehicle that will propel research forward. Such an entity exists in cardiovascular research. A limited number of major research themes are being pursued. A recent submission of an \$11,000,000 Program Project Gant from the proposed Cardiovascular Research Center researchers is an example of the integration and commonality that already exists. Such a center would give further impetus to this.

Another major function of such a center is to mentor junior scientists. As Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine, I have recruited two Assistant Professors into the Department who are currently being mentored by what is proposed to be the Cardiovascular Research Center. Mentorship is not available for them in their divisions as these lack the research depth required. Both of these Assistant Professors now have national career development grants and I have no doubt that without a center-like culture their careers would not be as easy to advance. The creation of this Cardiovascular Research Center would only positively impact the whole of the Department of Internal Medicine. I am not aware of a single faculty member in any of the divisions of this Department who are not wholly supportive of this.

Yours sincerely,

Frederick C. de Beer, M.D. Jack M. Gill Professor and Chairman Department of Internal Medicine

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College of Medicine

September 3, 2004

Jay A. Perman, MD Dean College of Medicine MN150, UKMC 0298

Dear Dr. Perman:

I am writing this letter as chief of Pediatric Cardiology in response to your request for input regarding the proposed Cardiovascular Research Center.

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One of the missions of the division of pediatric cardiology at the University of Kentucky is the encouragement and achievement of clinical and basic science research in the young. Currently the division has ongoing clinical and basic science research projects in progress. These projects include studies on myocardial function, systemic hypertension, pulmonary hypertension, and dyslipidemias as well as the use of a new three dimensional imaging technique, and interventional device. We anticipate future studies on dysrrythmias and an expansion of our basic science research scope.

I believe that the proposed Cardiovascular Research Center would provide a valuable arena for the dissemination of research information, as well as provide the framework for the nurturing of young faculty engaged in cardiovascular research. Moreover, the proposed Center has the capability of providing the environment for active exchange of information between all professionals interested in cardiovascular research. The outcome of these exchanges can only be beneficial and stimulate new ideas and future collaborative research efforts. Finally I would anticipate that the Center would be a source of seed funds for young new investigators.

It is for these reasons that I as support the notion of the establishment such a unit within the University of Kentucky.

Accordingly, I would like to propose the following faculty in pediatric cardiology to be on the Cardiovascular Research Center faculty.

<u>Basic Sciences</u>. Dr. Valcrie Schroeder who is currently doing basic science research involving the molecular regulation of myocardial CD-36 dependent fatty acid uptake. Dr. Schroeder is also involved in clinical research involving the use of Bosentan and Viagra in pediatric pulmonary

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hypertension patients as well as study on the effect of intensive counseling as part of a weight reduction program on end organ cardiovascular function.

<u>Clinical Sciences</u>. Dr. Mark Vranicar. Dr. Vranicar currently has an ongoing project on the use of stereolithography in reconstructing complex aortic arch anomalies as well as a study on the transcatheter occlusion of patent ductus arteriosus with a Nit-Occlud PDA occlusion system.

<u>Clinical Sciences.</u> Dr. Bahram Kakavand is a new member of the division of pediatric cardiology should be a part of the clinical faculty of the research center as an electrophysiologist. It is his plan to engage in active research on pediatric arrythmias in the future.

<u>Clinical Sciences.</u> Dr. Thomas G. Di Sessa has been actively involved in an ongoing clinical research project that was started in Memphis. It involves the investigation of ambulatory blood pressure patterns in children at risk for hypertension: correlation with measures of target organ damage and alteration in the function domains of distal tubular sodium channel. This project is currently ongoing and has enrolled over 100 subjects. He will also be involved with Dr. Schroeder in the Bosentan and Sildenafil study on pulmonary vascular resistance in children with repaired congenital heart disease. This project will be an international endeavor in conjunction with the International Children's Heart Foundation in Memphis.

It is my hope that this information will help in the decision making process regarding the creation and development of a Cardiovascular Research Center at the University of Kentucky.

Sincercly,

Thomas G. Di Sessa, MD Professor of Pediatrics Chief, Division of Pediatric Cardiology

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August 23, 2004

MEMORANDUM

- TO: Jay A. Perman, M.D. Dean, College of Medicine
- FROM: Philip Landfield, Ph.D. Professor and Chair Philadelle
- SUBJECT: Cardiovascular Research Center

The cardiovascular community at the University of Kentucky is growing substantially and comprises a number of nationally-recognized investigators, including several faculty in the Department of Molecular and Biomedical Pharmacology. Maintaining this momentum will clearly strengthen the research enterprise of the University.

There appear to be several potentially important benefits to the University that would accrue from establishing a Cardiovascular Research Center, among which would be the creation of an identifiable and integrated unit that could become the focus of increased national recognition for UK in this area of research. In turn, this would enhance recruitment of high quality students, faculty, post-docs and might well also enhance our chances for competitive national funding. In addition, a center would provide the resources and organization required to support the cardiovascular seminar series and the Cardiovascular Research Day, which are essential elements in building our expertise and enhancing our national recognition in cardiovascular research. Further, despite the substantial strength in basic research at UK, there are currently few direct means for coordinating basic research with clinical research projects, and the Center should facilitate such interactions.

Thus, the potential benefits that a Cardiovascular Research Center might offer should help to sustain and expand research funding, national recognition, and quality of research programs at the University of Kentucky.

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August 11, 2004

Dr. Jay Perman, Dean College of Medicine Deans Office MN150 Medical Science Building 0298

Dear Dr. Perman:

I have been asked by Dr. Alan Daugherty to give input on a proposal to create a Cardiovascular Research Center. I strongly support this initiative. Although the university has too many underproductive centers, this one has outstanding potential. They already have an excellent faculty, federal and non-federal funding, and space. I hope that the clinical cardiology group, which has been overworked and thinly stretched for years, can recruit new clinician/investigators so that clinical research and translational research will be possible.

The development of the Cardiovascular Research Center would be greatly beneficial to the Stroke Program in the Sanders-Brown Center on Aging. As we increase the basic science researchers in stroke in the Aging Center (as planned), it would be logical that they would collaborate and interrelate closely with the investigators in the Cardiovascular Research Center. It might be possible for the basic science stroke investigators to have an informal or adjunct appointment in the Cardiovascular Research Center.

I support the proposed creation of a Cardiovascular Research Center with extreme enthusiasm.

Sincerely,

William R. Markesbery, M.D. Professor of Pathology and Neurology Director, Sanders-Brown Center on Aging and Alzheimer's Disease Research Center Commonwealth Chair in Aging

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August 23, 2004

Jay Perman, MD Dean, College of Medicine University of Kentucky MN-150 Albert B. Chandler Medical Center Lexington, KY 40536-0298

Dear Dr. Perman:

I am writing to support the proposal to create a Cardiovascular Research Center at the University of Kentucky. As you know, I am personally committed to furthering the academic pursuits and research of the University, particularly in the field of cardiovascular medicine. Indeed, one of our first meetings was for Dr. Alan Daugherty and me to present to you our vision for growing the areas of physician scientists, translational research, and a dedicated research center in the arena of cardiovascular medicine. It is with this continued enthusiasm and commitment, that I write this strongest letter of support.

Of some concern, is the optimal integration of clinical medicine with the basic science pursuits here at the University of Kentucky. Having identified the need for a tightened linkage on campus, I requested as part of my recruitment package to have direct oversight for the basic science research group in cardiovascular medicine. I think this is integral for the growth of the division as well as translational medicine specifically. With this in mind, the very first faculty recruit I made for the division is Dr. Steven Steinhubl as the Director of Clinical Cardiovascular Research. Among the charges given to Dr. Steinhubl was to join me in forming the loom to better weave translational research projects. Along with Dr. Daugherty and Dr. de Beer, plans are well underway. The formation of the Cardiovascular Research Center is an appropriate step in this direction. A challenge certainly lies in that faculty members from several different disciplines are to be incorporated into this research center which makes a reporting relationship unique. In the current proposal, on page 4, the reporting relationship is that the Director of the Cardiovascular Research Center will not report to the Chief of Cardiology or the Chairman of Internal Medicine, but rather directly to the Dean. As such, the Medical Director of the Gill Heart Institute and the Chief of the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine seem to have a more pedestrian role, and there is no other leadership or directorship positions mentioned beyond that of the center's director.

In summary, I am strongly enthusiastic and supportive of the creation of the Cardiovascular Research Center, and would welcome the opportunity to further discuss the goals, direction, and working inter-relationships.

Sincerely,

David J. Moliterno, MD Professor and Chief Division of Cardiovascular Medicine

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C: Frederic de Beer, MD David Watt, MD Alan Daugherty, Ph.D. August 10, 2004

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r.e., Cardiovascular Research Center

Dear Jay,

At the suggestion of Dr. Alan Dougherty, I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for the proposed establishment of a new Cardiovascular Research Center within the College. I have had a chance to read the proposal for this center and I believe it will be of considerable value to the biomedical research enterprise within the College.

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The center will provide a forum for efficient exchange of ideas and new data, for sharing of resources, and for promoting collaborative interactions among the affiliated investigators. The latter is critical. A key element of the center is inclusion of basic scientists and physician investigators. Historically, interaction between these two communities has been a challenge for UK. The center will build on existing strengths of the Gill Heart Institute to extend our research presence. I expect it to foster programmatic grant applications and to provide a framework for institutional awards.

This is of particular interest for our department. Several members of the Physiology faculty, including Drs. Ming Gong, Jonathan Satin, David Randall, and Brian Jackson, will be affiliated with the proposed center. We expect the center to strengthen the research programs of these individuals. The proposed center is also likely to help us attract new faculty over the next few years as we move forward in our recruiting efforts.

Please call me if you have specific questions or need additional information.

Yours truly,

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August 18, 2004

Dr. Jay A. Perman, Dean University of Kentucky College of Medicine MN 150 Chandler Medical Center Lexington, KY 40536-0298

RE: Proposed Cardiovascular Research Center

Dear Dean Perman:

Dr. Alan Daugherty contacted me requesting my input on the proposed Cardiovascular Research Center within the Gill Heart Institute here at the University of Kentucky. I understand that the aim of this center is to facilitate basic cardiovascular research and assist the evolution of transitional and clinical research within the Gill Institute. Five of the Associate faculty members have their primary appointments here in the College of Pharmacy. They were contacted to ascertain their enthusiasm for this proposal. It ranged from neutral to positive. I have briefly discussed this proposal with the Department Chairs and the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Education. We view this effort positively, as we believe it has the potential for greater interaction among and potentially support for cardiovascular researchers at the University as well as the potential to accelerate the advances in cardiovascular research. I am pleased, on behalf of the College of Pharmacy, to lend my support to this proposal.

Sincerely,

Kenneth B. Roberts, Ph.D. Dean



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August 19, 2004

Dear Dr. Perman,

Dr. Alan Daugherty has asked me to write a letter concerning the advantages and disadvantages of creating a Cardiovascular Research Center. In principle the concept of a Cardiovascular Research Center is timely and beneficial to the University. The University of Kentucky cardiovascular community has been working together for many years, including joint grants, joint manuscripts, journal clubs, seminars, etc. The formation of a Center would formalize many of these long established interactions. Although many of the details concerning the proposed center are vaguely defined and the interaction with the GCNS has not been elaborated the overall impact of a Cardiovascular Research Center should be favorable. I support the development of a Cardiovascular Research Center.

Best regards,

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Eric J. Smart, PhD Vice-Chair of Pediatric Research Barnstable-Brown Endowed Chair for Diabetes Research



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August 20, 2003

Jay A. Perman, MD Dean, College of Medicine MN150 Medical Science Building 800 Rose Street Lexington, KY 40536-0298

Dear Dr. Perman:

This letter is being written upon the request of Dr. Alan Daugherty in support of the establishment of a Cardiovascular Research Center. I feel that the establishment of a Cardiovascular Research Center at the University of Kentucky is central to our mission of providing creative leadership in patient care, education, and research, and would be a crucial step towards the attainment of our vision of being a top 20 academic healthcare center.

The University of Kentucky and, in particular, the Gill Heart Institute, has been fortunate in having a core of respected and nationally recognized basic science researchers with expertise in areas of inflammation and dyslipidemia. However, until recently, there has been a large void in clinical cardiovascular research at the University of Kentucky. Recent recruitments to the clinical faculty have improved the level of expertise in clinical research, but to build the clinical and translational research programs at the University of Kentucky to national prominence, a greater array of clinical researchers will be necessary. The establishment of a Cardiovascular Research Center at the University of Kentucky will be critical in helping attract nationally prominent clinical cardiovascular researchers to the University of Kentucky.

The establishment of a Cardiovascular Research Center will also help bring together the vast array of expertise in cardiovascular medicine already present at the University of Kentucky Medical Center. The establishment of a formal center will allow more productive interaction between the Divisions of Cardiology, Cardiothoracic Surgery, Neurology, Pharmacology, Endocrinology, Emergency Medicine, Internal Medicine,

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Family Practice, The School of Public Health, and multiple other areas in the medical center involved in cardiovascular research and patient care. Such interactions will be critical in helping develop cutting edge translational and clinical research projects that will focus the nation's and the world's attention on the University of Kentucky.

In conclusion, I strongly support the establishment of a Cardiovascular Research Center. Such a center is critical for the successful fulfillment of the mission and vision at the University of Kentucky Medical Center.

Sincerely,

Steven R. Steinhubl, MD Associate Professor of Medicine Director of Cardiovascular Education & Clinical Research Division of Cardiovascular Medicine

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August 31, 2004



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Dr. Jay A. Perman, Dean College of Medicine MN-150 Medical Center 0298

RE: Cardiovascular Research Center

Dear Dr. Perman:

In response to your request for my comments, I am providing a strong statement of support for the initiative to develop a Cardiovascular Research Center within the Gill Heart Institute. The Graduate Center for Toxicology has a strong research program in cardiovascular toxicity induced by cancer therapeutic agents and would greatly benefit from having other strong basic and clinical research components with whom our investigators could interact. Several of our Toxicology doctoral students are also working with faculty in cardiovascular research and the development of the Cardiovascular Research Center will greatly enrich the environment in which they obtain their training.

I would be happy to provide any additional information you may require.

Sincerely,

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Mary Vore, Ph.D. Professor & Director Graduate Center for Toxicology



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August 11, 2004

TO:	Jay Perman
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FROM:	David Watt
	Executive Dean

RE: Cardiovascular Research Center

I received an email message from Dr. Alan Daugherty requesting that I respond to the proposal to create the Cardiovascular Research Center.

I am very supportive of this initiative. Drs. Daugherty, DeBeer and Cassis have assembled an impressive research team capable of making substantive contributions to our knowledge of cardiovascular disease and nutrition. I believe this center will benefit the University by providing training opportunities for graduate students, medical students, residents and postdoctoral fellows; by providing mentoring to young faculty; by attracting significant extramural support to the University (already exceeding \$10 million); and by augmenting our reputation as a research-oriented University through publications, presentations, patents and people placed in other academic institutions. August 20, 2004

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Dear Dr. Perman:

As Dean of the College of Nursing I am pleased to support the development of a Cardiovascular Research Center at the University of Kentucky. One of the major foci of research activity in the College of Nursing is the prevention and management of chronic illness. Among our faculty are several externally funded investigators working in the area of reducing risk to cardiovascular disease and in improving strategies for the management of cardiovascular problems. Thus, we see this initiative as a way of bringing together a cadre of faculty from a number of units in the university to enhance and expand research in cardiovascular disease and we are interested in being a part of this effort.

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Key College of Nursing faculty with external funding that we would like to see affiliated with the Center include Dr. Debra Moser, who holds the Linda Gill Chair in Nursing has several NIH funded projects and a number of faculty and doctoral students working with her, Dr. Terry Lennie, and Dr. Ellen Hahn. In addition, we are currently recruiting for an additional faculty member with active research in cardiovascular nursing.

We are hopeful that your proposal will be successful and that we can develop a nationally competitive Cardiovascular Research Center at the University of Kentucky.

Sincerely,

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Carolyn A. Williams, RN, PhD, FAAN Dean and Professor

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October 18, 2004

TO: Jay A. Perman, Dean College of Medicine FROM: Wendy Baldwin Executive Vice Mesident for Research

RE: Cardiovascular Research Center

This is to ensure my support for the formation of the Cardiovascular Research Center. In support of initiating the Center, my office is pleased to provide the Center \$30,000 a year for a period of three years to support research related activities such as the Cardiovascular Research Day, cardiovascular research seminary and other research related activities. After three years, we can evaluate the Center's funding sources to determine if further backstop funding is necessary. It is my hope that by then the Center will have secured enough extramural funding that special funds from my office will no longer be necessary, especially given the incentive that is made available to interdisciplinary centers.

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UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY MEDICAL CENTER

October 19, 2004

MINUTES: Academic Council for the Medical Center

PRESIDING: Paul Kearney and David Watt

MEMBERS

PRESENT: William Cohen, Elizabeth Debski, Steve Browning, *Paul Bummer, Paul Kearney, Robert Kuhn, Janice Kuperstein, Malkanthie McCormick, Karen Novak, Susan Queen, Mary Kay Rayens

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ann Peden (on sabbatical), Dean White

OTHERS

PRESENT: Tim Uhl, Elizabeth Schulman, Alan Daugherty, Joel Lee, and Scott Prince

Dr. Kearney called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. Dr. Watt chaired at 4:22.

Submitted by the College of Health Sciences

Dr. Elizabeth Schulman, in the College of Health Sciences, provided the Council background and an overview of the request for program revision and re-activation of BHS-CLM.

The reviewer was Malkanthie McCormick, in the College of Medicine.

ACTION: It was moved by Paul Kearney, duly seconded by Mary Kay Rayens, and unanimously carried, that the proposal requesting approval for a program revision and re-activation of BHS-CLM, be approved, and forwarded to the Senate Council for approval.

Submitted by the College of Public Health

Drs. Scott Prince and Joel Lee provided the Council background on the SPH 996 and SPH 601 course changes.

The reviewer was Robert Kuhn, College of Pharmacy.

ACTION: It was moved by Paul Kearney, duly seconded by Robert Kuhn, and carried, with one abstention, that the proposal requesting approval of course changes for SPH 996 and 601 for the College of Public Health, be approved, and forwarded to the Graduate Council for approval.

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Submitted by the College of Medicine

Dr. Alan Daugherty, in the College of Medicine, provided the Council background and an overview of the proposal to approve a proposal to create the Cardiovascular Research Center.

The reviewer was Janice Kuperstein, in the College of Health Sciences.

ACTION: It was moved by Janice Kuperstein, duly seconded by Paul Kearney, and unanimously carried, that the proposal to approve the creation of the Cardiovascular Research Center, be approved and forwarded to the Senate Council.

Submitted by the College of Health Sciences

Dr. Tim Uhl, in the College of Health Sciences, provided the Council background and an overview of the proposal to approve course changes for AT 690 and At 695.

The reviewer was Dr. Paul Kearney, in the College of Medicine.

ACTION: After discussion by the Council members it was moved by Robert Kuhn, duly seconded by Malkanthie McCormick, and unanimously carried, that the proposal to approve a course changes for AT 690 and At 695 be approved with amendments in wording of the applications' new bulletin description, which is reflected in the documents that are forwarded to the Graduate Council.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the September 21, 2004 meeting were approved as circulated.

Other Business:

Dr. Novak, liaison to the Graduate Council, informed the Academic Council members of a notice of three proposed changes in doctorate program requirements. The Graduate Council is sending the information to all doctorate programs and wishes for the program directors to acknowledge receipt of the information.

Adjournment

There being no further items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 4: 40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Wilkie

Rita Wilkie

*Indicates alternate member