November 19, 2004

Abbas Aminmansour, Chair
Senate Committee on Educational Policy
Office of the Senate
228 English Building, MC-461

Dear Professor Aminmansour:

Enclosed are copies of two proposals from the College of LAS, one to rename the Department of Cell and Structural Biology to the Department of Cell and Developmental Biology, and the other to change the name of the Ph.D. degree in the same way.

This proposal has been approved by the Committee on Courses and Curricula, Academic Affairs Committee, Executive Committee, faculty of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Graduate College; it now requires Senate review.

Sincerely,

Keith A. Marshall, Ph.D.
Assistant Provost

Enclosures

c: C. Livingstone
   A. Mester
   A. Belmont
   R. Wheeler
   C. Miller
   M. Gillette
   K. Carney
November 3, 2004

Keith Marshall
Assistant Provost
Office of the Provost
207 Swanlund, MC-304

Dear Keith:

Enclosed are two proposals, one to rename the Department of Cell and Structural Biology to the Department of Cell and Developmental Biology, the other to change the name of the Ph.D. degree in the same way. The Graduate College Executive Committee approved these proposals; I am sending them to you now for further review.

Yours truly,

Karen M. Carney
Associate Dean

Enclosure

c: ✓ A. Aminmansour
✓ A. Belmont
✓ C. Miller
✓ M. Gillette
✓ A. Mester
✓ R. Wheeler
27 February 2004

Sponsor: Andrew Belmont, Interim Head
Department of Cell and Structural Biology
B107 CLSL
217-244-2311

Brief Description: The name of the PhD degree in Cell and Structural Biology will be changed to PhD degree in Cell and Developmental Biology.

Justification:

The Department of Cell and Structural Biology recently requested a name change for the Department and the Graduate Program, but neglected to include a specific request for the name change to extend to the title of the PhD degree. We hereby request this change in order that the Department, Graduate Program and Degree Title all bear the same name.

The justification submitted to request the Departmental name change follows:
The Cell and Structural Biology Department was founded in the late 1980's with the mission to build in the area of eukaryotic cell biology. The "Structural Biology" part of the name represented a wish by the then Dean of the Medical School to include a reference to anatomical science. To the founding Department Head, the inclusion of "Structural Biology" was a compromise consistent with the possibility of building in the area of structural analysis of large macromolecular complexes and cellular organelles.

In fact over the last 15 years the department has grown significantly, building strengths in basic eukaryotic cell biology, eukaryotic molecular genetics, development, and neurobiology. The area of cellular structural biology is not a major current or future focus of the department. Two previous structural biologists who were members of our department have left the University, and currently all structural biologists in the MCB School are in the Department of Biochemistry. Moreover, the Department of Biochemistry has assumed the primary role within the MCB School of building in the field of structural biology.

The new name will better represent the Department's mission and representation both internally, within the University, and externally to prospective graduate students and faculty candidates. The teaching mission of the department will not be affected by the name change, and there will be no change in the current curriculum as a result of the name change. The departmental faculty is strongly in favor of this change in the name of the Department and Graduate Program. They are interested in having it approved as soon as possible so that recruiting posters and announcements will better portray our department's interests and strengths to prospective students.
students. The MCB School Executive Committee unanimously backed the proposed name change as well.

We therefore recommend prompt action on this proposed name change.

**Budgetary and Staff Implications:** There will be no budgetary or staff implications with the proposed degree name change.

**Guidelines for Undergraduate Education:**

There will be no changes to the undergraduate curriculum as a result of this change.

**Effective Date:** Effective immediately after its approval

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January 29, 2004

Sponsor: Andrew Belmont, Interim Head
Department of Cell and Structural Biology
B107 CLSL
217-244-2311

Brief Description: The name of the Cell and Structural Biology Department and Graduate Program will be changed to Cell and Developmental Biology.

Justification:

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We therefore recommend prompt action on this proposed name change.
Budgetary and Staff Implications: None- there will be no changes with the proposed name change.

Guidelines for Undergraduate Education:

There will be no changes to the undergraduate curriculum as a result of this change.

Effective Date: Effective immediately after its approval

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