Memorandum

To: University Senate

From: Raymond A. Noe, Chair
Council on Academic Affairs

Date: November 1, 2005

A PROPOSAL FROM THE COUNCIL ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE COLLEGE OF MEDICINE AND PUBLIC HEALTH, TO THE COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

WHEREAS in 2000, through action by the Council on Academic Affairs and the Board of Trustees, the School of Public Health changed its reporting line from the College of Medicine and Public Health, to the Office of Academic Affairs, and subsequently the position of Dean of the School of Public Health was established; and

WHEREAS the College of Medicine and Public Health, through its established governance procedures, has now supported the related name change for the College; and

WHEREAS the School of Public Health now has endorsed the name change for the College; and

WHEREAS the School of Public Health will continue as an integral part of the Health Sciences cluster of colleges; and

WHEREAS the proposal was reviewed and approved by the full Council on Academic Affairs at its meeting on August 24, 2005;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the University Senate approve the proposal to change the name of the College of Medicine and Public Health to the College of Medicine and respectfully request concurrence from the Board of Trustees.
Fred, Bob, and Stan:

I am pleased to inform you that the proposal to change the name of the College of Medicine and Public Health, to the College of Medicine, was approved by the Council on Academic Affairs at its meeting on August 24, 2005. I am grateful to Bob for attending the meeting and responding to questions/comments.

This proposal will now be sent to the University Senate for action at a forthcoming meeting. Once I have been given a date, I will contact you. If approved by the University Senate, the proposal will then go the Board of Trustees for action as the final step in the review/approval process.

Please note that this message represents my formal communication with you about this proposal. You will not get a separate letter from me. In that regard, please make a copy of this message for your file(s) and I will do the same for the file in the Office of Academic Affairs.

If you have any questions/comments about this action, please contact the Chair of the Council, Professor Ray Noe (noe22@osu.edu), or me.

Randy

W. Randy Smith
Vice Provost
April 20, 2005

Barbara J. Snyder, J.D.
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RE: Proposed College Name Change

Dear Barbara:

I am writing to request the University’s consideration of a proposal to change the name of the College of Medicine and Public Health to the previous name of College of Medicine. This proposal has been considered by the Faculty Council and the Council of Chairs of the College, and both groups unanimously endorsed the proposal. We also have the support of the School of Public Health for this proposal.

As you recall, the name of the college was changed initially to formally incorporate and signify the importance of the Public Health mission of our institution. As we have subsequently learned, this has created some significant issues for the Public Health programs and their accrediting body. Ultimately this will likely lead to a proposal for further organizational evolution of the Public Health program to college status within the university. In order to clarify the missions of our programs, we believe that it would be preferable to modify the name of our College to provide a clearer definition of our focus.

Therefore, we are requesting consideration of our proposal to change the name of our College to the College of Medicine. I would appreciate your efforts to bring this proposal through University governance as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support and consideration.

Sincerely,

Fred Sanfilippo, MD, PhD

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cc  Randy Smith
Smith, Randy

From: Robert Bornstein [bornstein-2@medctr.osu.edu]
Sent: Thursday, March 31, 2005 9:27 AM
To: Smith, Randy
Cc: lemeshow.1@osu.edu; Snyder, Barbara
Subject: college name change

Dear Randy:

Both Faculty Council and Council of Chairs have unanimously supported the proposal to change the name of the college to College of Medicine (in anticipation of the future evolution of a College of Public Health). We are in the process of requesting letters of support from Stan Lemeshow as well as the other Health Science Deans.

I wanted to give you a heads up so that this could be on your radar screen for CAA, and ultimately up through channels to the Board. I hope to have this information to you within a week or so. Based on our previous conversation, this will be sufficient to get the proposal through the system during the current academic year.

Let me know if I need to do anything else.

Bob
April 5, 2005

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Dear Fred:

I am writing to express my strong and enthusiastic support for changing the name of the College of Medicine and Public Health to the “College of Medicine.” The name change has the full support of the faculty of the School of Public Health.

This is an important and symbolic step for the School of Public Health as it moves to becoming an official college at Ohio State. Changing the name will help remove ambiguity surrounding the independence of the School of Public Health on this campus and will send a positive message to the accrediting body for Schools of Public Health, the Council on Education for Public Health.

Fred, I appreciate all of your support and look forward to continuing to work with you as a member of the Health Sciences Colleges. Your advocacy for the School over the years has helped position us for strategic growth.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Stanley Lemeshow, PhD  
Dean, School of Public Health

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Dear Provost Snyder:

This letter is in support of the request from the College of Medicine and Public Health to change its name to the "College of Medicine". This request is both timely and important for the University, especially the colleges of the Health Sciences Cluster. The change should ultimately serve to broaden the role of public health across the entire university, enhancing its visibility. The existence of an accredited public health unit on campus is particularly important for the College of Veterinary Medicine.

The Veterinary Medicine's Department of Veterinary Medicine has partnered with the School of Public Health to establish an area of veterinary specialization the School's Master of Public Health Program. This area of specialization is important to the College of Veterinary Medicine and the veterinary profession because it recognizes the vital role that veterinary medicine plays in public health and highlights the interspecies nature of many of the infectious diseases that are of increasing importance in the global arena. I believe that this program is just the beginning of a relationship that will benefit both organizations not only in teaching but also in research as we compete together for funding in biodefense and infectious disease.

The accreditation of a public health unit is key to the success of this cooperative program.

Sincerely,

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