

PROGRESS REPORT

Working Group Name: Vet Med Research Grants and Facilities

Working Group: # 30

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Update on Actions Taken Since Last Report:

This is the initial report of the Working Group #30 (WG30). The WG30 is charged with (a) determine which CVMBS research facilities will be reassigned from CVMBS to AgriLife and (b) development of an implementation plan for the routing of all CVMBS proposals through AgriLife.

The WG30 has met three times: February 3, February 18, and February 24, 2022. The committee initially focused on the charge and the methodology to provide informed recommendations. This effort was followed with a focus on addressing charge (a): determine which CVMBS research facilities will be reassigned from CVMBS to AgriLife.

The WG30 identified 17 research facilities for initial consideration.

Approximately 718,063 sq. ft. of space was assessed concerning specific occupant, function, % Occupancy related to research, teaching, clinical, service and other functions, as well as type (IIE = Infection, Immunity & Epidemiology; DT = Diagnostic & Therapeutic, TOXI= Toxicology, PDB= Physiology & Developmental Biology, BGB= Biomedical Genomics & Bioinformatics.

Non-CVMBS facilities, were removed from consideration given that they were not part of the charge. The WG30 also removed from consideration of those facilities identified as less than 50% research designation. The WG30 also determined that facilities with greater than 50% research designation would remain for further consideration. Six additional facilities were identified for further consideration.

Further information was gathered for these six facilities focused on: the type of the facility (Individual PI or core facility), entity responsible for management, and the entities the facilities support(s). Note that a core facility being defined as a facility use by a broad internal /external community rather than an individual PI. The WG30 determined that all noncore facilities would be removed from further consideration. Those facilities identified as core facilities are now being further assessed for transfer consideration.

Note that further in-depth analysis is required to understand functionality, resource requirements, facility maintenance, among other items before recommendations can be made.

The WG30 also reviewed all facilities located at the Vet Med Park to address core facilities and animal care elements. A process similar to that discussed above was used to assess the data. The WG30 determined that no additional facilities should be considered other than those identified above.

The WG30 commenced discussion concerning charge (b) related to submission of all CVMBS proposals through AgriLife. An initial assessment of the SRS proposal process indicates there is little change in procedures that are required. The WG30 is identifying key elements that need to be addressed to determine a final recommendation. This includes items such as, timing, IDC, other routing items such as contracts, IP, research agreements, etc., and handling of existing proposals, among others.

Next Major Issue to be Addressed:

- a. Complete assessment of research facilities and formalize a recommendation
- b. Continue development of an implementation plan for the transfer of the proposal process

Problems or Barriers Encountered and Solutions Identified: None to date

Deliverables Completed: N/A

Timeline for Completion of Remaining Deliverables: To be determined