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Office of the President June 22, 2004

Members, Board of Trustees:

## TRANSFER OF THE CENTER FOR MINIMALLY INVASIVE SURGERY

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Board of Trustees approve the transfer of administrative oversight for the Center for Minimally Invasive Surgery to the Dean, College of Medicine, effective July 1, 2004.

<u>Background</u>: In October 1999, the Board of Trustees approved the establishment of the Center for Minimally Invasive Surgery. At that time the Center reported to the Chancellor of the Medical Center and was funded by a substantial gift from U.S. Surgical Corporation. With the administrative reorganization of the University and the exhaustion of the current funding, the Center needs to be administratively reassigned and restructured.

The Center for Minimally Invasive Surgery will continue to facilitate interactions among faculty with surgical interests; provide a framework for interdisciplinary research in basic, clinical, and outcomes-based research; assist with the recruitment of residents and graduate students with special interests in surgery or the development of surgical devices; provide and maintain appropriate facilities, and provide opportunities for the continuing education of faculty.

The proposal has been reviewed and recommended by the Senate Committee on Academic Organization and Structure and the Senate Council and recommended for approval by the University Senate. The Provost and the Executive Vice President for Health Affairs support this recommendation.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other\_\_\_\_\_