

Office of the President March 5, 2002

Members, Board of Trustees:

## CHANGE IN NAME OF AN EDUCATIONAL UNIT

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Board of Trustees approve the change in the name of the Thomas Hunt Morgan School of Biological Sciences to the Department of Biology.

<u>Background</u>: The change to a department is motivated primarily by the School's review three years ago. The committee suggested at that time that a departmental organization was more in keeping with the size and mission of the School and better represented the nature of the School to the outside world. Historically, the original vision for a School has never been fulfilled. That vision originally would have been a cross-college entity involving departments from the Colleges of Agriculture and Medicine. This never happened, and the name "School" is essentially the only remnant of that original plan.

The proposal has been approved by the faculty in the unit and the Arts and Sciences Faculty Council; reviewed and recommended by the Senate Committee on Academic Organization and Structure and the Senate Council; and approved by the University Senate. The Provost of the University supports this recommendation.

Action taken:	☑ Approved	☐ Disapproved	☐ Other	