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Office of the President  
June 17, 2022

Members, Board of Trustees:

## TRANSFER OF THE INSTITUTE FOR BIOMEDICAL INFORMATICS

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve the transfer of the Institute for Biomedical Informatics from the Office of the Provost to the Office of the Vice President for Research, effective July 1, 2022.

Background: The Institute for Biomedical Informatics (IBI) was launched in 2016 as part of the Office of the Provost. Since that time, several changes have altered the ideal organizational structure and location for the unit. Moving IBI to the Vice President for Research (VPR) positions IBI with other research centers and research cores and will help IBI better coordinate support of UK's Research Priority Areas and the strategic plan.

The faculty of IBI is composed of faculty in the Division of Biomedical Informatics, Department of Internal Medicine and other members who apply to participate in IBI's activities. In their capacity as the faculty body of IBI for purposes of the educational activities homed within the auspices of IBI (e.g., workshops, seminars, retreats), the faculty with recurring assignment of time to duties in IBI, or their delegate body, will make any necessary educational policies and make other recommendations that arise from an educational unit faculty body.

Faculty and staff roles will not change with the move to the VPR and no faculty home appointments will be transferred. The reporting of staff homed in IBI will be changed from the Provost area to the VPR area and the proposed change will not impact new faculty hires.

IBI's budget or financial resources will not be impacted and the proposed change will not have any impact on enrollments, graduates, programs or courses.

This transfer has been approved by the IBI Steering Committee and the Division of Biomedical Informatics faculty; reviewed and recommended by the Senate Academic Organization and Structure Committee; reviewed and recommended by the Senate Council, and endorsed by the University Senate. The provost and VPR of the university support this recommendation.

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