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AGENDA ITEM: 10

**ITEM IDENTIFICATION:**

Faculty of Medicine: Name Change of the Department of Pharmacology to the "Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology".

**JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:**

The Board has authority to approve name changes of academic units.

**PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

The proposal to change the name of the department is based on the fact that the department has offered undergraduate degrees specializing in both Pharmacology and Toxicology since 1985. In the last two years, two major programs for both Pharmacology and Toxicology have been established. At the graduate level, the department offers programs in both disciplines, with students and faculty members engaged in research in both Pharmacology and Toxicology. The department is also the home of the Collaborative Program in Biomedical Toxicology. Thus, the proposed name formally acknowledges the department's identity with both pharmacology and toxicology.

The proposal was developed in broad consultation with members of the Department. The Faculty of Medicine Council approved the proposed name change on June 25, 2007.

**FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no new/additional financial resources required to implement the name change.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Academic Board approve:

THAT the name of the Faculty of Medicine Department of Pharmacology become the "Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology", effective immediately.