

**Board of Trustees
The University of North Carolina at Greensboro
December 4, 2015**

Action Item

BOT – 4 Request to Discontinue the Center for Biotechnology, Genomics and Health Research

Background Information

The Center for Biotechnology, Genomics and Health Research (CBGHR) was approved by the Board of Trustees on November 1, 1996 as a university-wide research center, originally named the Institute for Health, Science and Society, and reporting to the Office of Research and Economic Development (ORED). The mission of the CBGHR is to increase knowledge, build capacity, and disseminate information in the health, biomedical, and biotechnological sciences to the Triad community.

With the retirement of the current director at the end of 2015 and the conclusion of the center's major initiative in genomedical research, discussions regarding the future directions for the center have been ongoing. The center director and the Vice Chancellor for Research and Economic Development have concluded that a center structure is no longer needed and the center structure should be dissolved. ORED will oversee the phase-out of any activities previously associated with the center. The center currently has no budget, no staff, receives no state funds, and has no existing contracts/grants that are affiliated with it.

Recommended Action

That the Board of Trustees of The University of North Carolina at Greensboro approve the discontinuation of the Center for Biotechnology, Genomics and Health Research.



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