February 13, 2007

MEMO TO: Bradley Colwell, Chair
Graduate Council

FROM: John A. Koropchak
Vice Chancellor for Research
and Graduate Dean

SUBJECT: RME: Name Change of Center of Excellence for Soybean Research, Teaching and Outreach

Attached is a copy of the Reasonable and Moderate Extension (RME) proposing a name change of the Center of Excellence for Soybean Research, Teaching and Outreach to the Illinois Soybean Advancement Center for consideration by the Graduate Council. Please forward to the New Programs Committee for review.

Thank you.

JAK/plp

Attachment

C: David Wilson, w/attachments
Renaming the Center of Excellence for Soybean Research, Teaching and Outreach as the Illinois Soybean Advancement Center

I. Program inventory

A. Current
   CIP 60.0204
   Center of Excellence for Soybean Research, Teaching and Outreach
   Unit College of Agricultural Sciences

B. Proposed
   CIP 60.0204
   Illinois Soybean Advancement Center
   Unit College of Agricultural Sciences

II. Reason for proposed action

University personnel and stakeholders have found use of the existing name (Center of Excellence for Research, Teaching and Outreach) and its resultant acronym (CESRTO) to be both awkward and cumbersome. The length and complexity of the Center’s name, coupled with the lack of a useful acronym, give rise to frequent misspelling and mispronunciation errors. The resulting confusion detracts from the image and reputation of both the Center and SIUC.

The proposed new name (Illinois Soybean Advancement Center) offers several advantages. It is concise and simple while being amply broad to encompass the manifold mission of the Center. The resultant acronym (ISAC) is smooth, easy to pronounce, and sufficiently distinct from that of other related organizations so that confusion will be minimized. Further, it offers a regionally and nationally distinctive identity while maintaining its key commodity focus.

III. Anticipated budgetary effects

No budgetary effects are anticipated. Renaming the Center will not affect state appropriations, endowment status, or grant activities.

IV. Arrangements to be made for: a) affected faculty, staff and students, and b) affected equipment and physical facilities

As part of the College of Agricultural Sciences, CESRTO currently exists as a cross-disciplinary Center “without walls” that also partners with investigators within the College of Science and School of Medicine. No arrangements for personnel or equipment/facilities are necessary. All faculty, staff, and students affiliated with CESRTO will maintain their existing positions and roles within their home departments. No reassignment of personnel will occur. Similarly, CESRTO directly controls no equipment or physical facilities. These resources are controlled by individual faculty within departments.
V. Will other educational units, curricula, or degrees be affected by this action?
   No effects on educational units, curricula, or degrees are anticipated. Because CESRTO
   is not an educational unit, teaches no courses, and confers no degrees, affiliated personnel
   will maintain their existing positions and roles within their home departments.

VI. Any other relevant information
    Not applicable.

VII. Catalog copy to be deleted or added
    A description for CESRTO is included in the listing of 'Research and Service Centers'
    found under the 'Academic Resources' section of the SUC Graduate Catalog. This
    description has been altered to reflect the requested name change along with updated
    descriptive content. These are detailed in the accompanying Form 90A.

VIII. The requested effective date of implementation
    We request implementation at the earliest possible date.
(Form 90-A)  Notice of Change of Academic Requirements
Southern Illinois University Carbondale

This form should be used for requesting changes in requirements of a degree granting unit, major, minor, concentration, specialization, certificate program and miscellaneous changes of any academic program. (See Instructions)

1. This change is for:  [Graduate Catalog]  
   (Please submit two forms if change relates to both graduate and undergraduate programs)

2. Name of units, department:
   a. Degree granting academic unit (College or School)  [College of Agricultural Sciences]
   b. Department or Division
   c. Degree Type (BS, MS etc)  
   d. Major  
   e. Minor  
   f. Concentration  
   g. Specialization  

3. Brief Summary of Change (use additional page if necessary):
   Catalog copy was changed to reflect renaming the Center and to clarify the Center’s mission and scope. New copy accompanies this form.

4. Specific Changes:
   If changes are editorial and minor, please make a copy of the actual catalog page(s) with corrections made on the copy and attach to this form. If changes are extensive, please type new catalog copy on white bond paper, double-spaced, outlining what you recommend for the appropriate catalog and attach to this form.

5. Effective term will be the next published catalog: [ ] (Academic Support Programs use only).

6. Approved:
   a. Departmental Executive Officer  
   b. Dean  
   c. Dean of the Graduate School  
      (for graduate programs)  
   d. Associate Provost (Academic Affairs)  

7. Academic Support Programs:

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Established in 1997, the Illinois Soybean Advancement Center focuses on developing information and technologies that enhance soybean production in Illinois and the North Central region, increase soybean utilization by the global community, contribute to the base of scientific knowledge, and educate human capital in the various attributes and applications of soybeans. SIUC faculty members in the College of Agricultural Sciences collaborate with those in the College of Science and the School of Medicine, along with university and industry colleagues throughout the nation, to implement interdisciplinary research, education, and outreach programs on soybean. The Center addresses issues related to all aspects of soybean production, utilization and policy, including breeding and genetics, biotechnology, crop protection, human nutrition and food, animal nutrition, marketing, and consumer acceptance.

For more information, visit the Center’s website at: www.siu.edu/soybean.
# APPROVAL FORM FOR CURRICULAR CHANGES

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1. The Department Faculty of the Unit Originating the Form 98 or Form 99-A Request

2. The Appropriate Body/Officer Representing the Department/Unit where the Request Originated

3. College Curriculum Committee and other College-Wide Faculty Bodies where appropriate

4. The Dean of the Unit Originating

5. The Faculty Senate

6. The Graduate Council (for graduate courses - programs)

7. The Provost

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November 28, 2008