

# PROGRESS REPORT

**Working Group Name:** Small Animal Teaching Hospital (SATH) Research Facility

**Working Group #:** 18

**Chair:** John R. August

**Date:** April 25, 2022

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## **Update on Actions Taken Since Last Report:**

- Focus group meetings have been held with broad constituent groups in the Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital to share information about the project and to seek input. Focus group meetings with specific clinical sections have been initiated to get more detailed input into the project. All meetings are being facilitated by Ms. Heather Quiram, director of facilities in CVMBS.
- A college-wide town hall was held on April 14 to share essential information about the project.
- The executive committee of the CVMBS devoted their regular morning meeting on April 19 to discuss the academic benefits of the new SATH and to identify collaborative opportunities with other campus units. There will be a follow-up discussion on April 26.
- Heather Quiram and John August met with Darryl Heath on April 21 to provide input about the goals of the project and its present status.
- Working group #18 met on April 22 to receive an update on the status of the focus group discussions and to get answers to any questions that are arising. Administrators from other colleges will be included in upcoming focus groups.

## **Next Major Issue to be Addressed:**

- Strategies for fund-raising for the project need to be finalized.
  - John August has been invited to give a presentation on the project to the San Antonio A&M Club on June 20.

## **Problems or Barriers Encountered and Solutions Identified:**

- The ambitious timeline for the completion of the program of requirements remains a challenge; however, we have a plan in place to address this issue.

## **Deliverables Completed:**

- We are on schedule with the focus group meetings that are planned for the summer to develop the program of requirements.

## **Timeline for Completion of Remaining Deliverables:**

- This is a very large construction project that will span several years. We are confident that we will meet the expectation of a 9/1/22 deadline for the program of requirements.