VII. STANDING COMMITTEES

B. Finance, Audit and Facilities Committee

Renaming the "Cyclotron Shop" to the "CENPA Instrument Shop"

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The administration and the Finance, Audit and Facilities Committee recommend that the "Cyclotron Shop," one of the buildings in the North Physics Lab complex, be renamed the "CENPA Instrument Shop."

BACKGROUND

The Center for Experimental Nuclear Physics and Astrophysics, also known as CENPA, is one of a handful of university-based nuclear physics labs funded by the U.S. Department of Energy. CENPA pursues a broad program of research in nuclear physics, astrophysics, and related fields and is housed in three 1940s-era buildings on the northeast corner of the campus. An instrument shop has been and continues to be an integral part of the operation of the Center.

The current name of "Cyclotron Shop" for the building housing the shop arises from the 60-inch cyclotron that was once housed in one of the CENPA buildings. The shop originally supported the construction of the cyclotron, which was built in the late 1940s, had an illustrious career in basic nuclear physics into the 1980s, and was subsequently dismantled. The name "Cyclotron Shop" conjures up impressions of outdated science and obsolete equipment. In contrast, the name "CENPA Instrument Shop" accurately reflects the function of the shop today.

The University Names Committee reviewed and unanimously approved the proposal by the College of Arts and Sciences that the "Cyclotron Shop" be renamed the "CENPA Instrument Shop."