MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Regents
From: Board Office
Subject: Renaming the Computation Center
Date: July 7, 2000

Recommended Action:

Approve the request of Iowa State University to change the name of the Computation Center to the Center for Academic Information Technology.

Executive Summary:

Iowa State University is requesting that the name of the Computation Center be changed to the Center for Academic Information Technology. This renaming will help students, faculty, and staff to more easily identify the Center as a service which supports their activities. The new name is broader, including services such as GIS (Geographical Information Systems) and high-performance computing.

There are no costs associated with the name change. The Center for Academic Information Technology maintains the basic mission of the Computation Center, but the new name is a reflection of the change in focus from the era of mainframe-based academic systems to linkages of high-performance computing at multiple sites.

The Board Office and the Interinstitutional Committee on Educational Coordination have reviewed the proposed change and are recommending the approval of the name change.

Charles R. Kniker

Approved: Frank J. Stork

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