ANNUAL REPORT 2007-2008

Animal Care and Use Committee
University of North Alabama
Florence, Alabama

Thomas M. Haggerty 2007-2008 Chair, Animal Care and Use Committee

Title and name of Committee

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Date Submitted

SUBMITTED TO: George Makowski, Shared Governance Committee Chair

I. The Executive Summary

In 2007-2008, the UNA Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) reviewed and approved one research application that involved the use of vertebrate animals (application submitted by Dr. Glen Marvin). Members of the committee (Haggerty and Hudiburg) toured the UNA lions housing facility to examine the procedures used to administer the proper care for the lion mascots. No change in the committee's charge is recommended at this time.

II. The Committee's Charge

- 1. To review compliance with and administer the Public Health Service Policy on the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals.
- 2. To examine the Public Health Service Policy on the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals annually for policy changes.
- 3. To propose changes in University practices relating to laboratory animals.

III. Committee Meetings

The Committee [Dr. Gabriela Carrasco, Dr. Thomas Haggerty (Chair), Dr. Pricilla Holland (ex officio), Dr. Richard Hudiburg and Dr. Terry Richardson] carried out the committees charge thorough the exchange of electronic mail.

IV. Committee Actions and Accomplishments

The new forms for evaluating research using vertebrate animals in laboratories were used for the first time (Appendix 1). This new documentation insures that vertebrate animals used by faculty, staff and students for research are treated with respect and are cared for humanely and safely. The new documentation applies to Public Health Service (PHS) supported projects, as well as other research-supported activities (e.g., UNA research grants, state supported grants) that use vertebrate animals. The policy insures that UNA is following the rules and regulations published in the Public Health Service Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals, the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals, and the Animal Welfare Act.

Dr. Dan Howard gave the committee a tour of the UNA habitat for the mascot lions in December 2007. The tour indicated that the lion facility and care given to the lions are maintained at a very high standard. The committee was told that federal inspectors carry out unannounced inspections yearly.

To carry out the charge of the IACUC, forms have been created and revised (Appendix)

V. Formal Recommendations

- \bullet Approve the revised policy and forms so that the charge of the IACUC can be carried out consistently and efficiently.
- $\underline{\text{No}}$ change in the committee's charge is recommended at this time.

VI. Future Objectives

- Elect a new chairperson for IACUC for 2008-09 academic year.
- Review research proposals that involve the use of vertebrate animals in the laboratory.
- Inspect the facilities of those projects that have been approved by the IACUC using forms B and C.

Appendix — Revised and recommended "Animal Welfare Policy of the University of North Alabama", and Forms A, B, and C to carry out charge of I ACUC.

Animal Welfare Policy of the University of North Alabama

A. Introduction

It is the policy of the University of North Alabama (UNA) that the vertebrate animals that are used by faculty, staff and students of UNA for research are treated with respect and should be cared for humanely and safely. To insure that the UNA policy for the humane and safe

5182, UNA, Florence, Alabama 35632), by e-mail (tmhaggery@UNA.edu) or by telephone (256-365-4432). When filing a complaint, include the following information:

- a) Your name, address, phone number, e-mail.
- b) Time, date, location of alleged incident.
- c) If known, the name(s) of people involved with the alleged incident.
- d) A brief description of the alleged incident.

The identity of a person or persons making a complaint is kept strictly confidential.

E. Procedures for the inspection of all facilities that are used to house vertebrate animals for a period over 24 hours.

- 1. Any facility that houses vertebrate animals for a period of 24 hours on a continuous basis must complete and submit a *UNA Animal Welfare and Use Housing Form* (*Form B*). An approved *Form D* allows the facility to house animals for a period of three years, subject to routine inspections two (2) times a year, unl5.3(s)1(\mathbb{T} aodF)5.3(c)5.h(p)1.f a of animals in thers.
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UNA INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE ANIMAL CARE AND USE APPLICATION – **RESEARCH** (**FORM A**) (Attach Copy of Research Proposal)

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Department						
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Campus phone			I	Email		
Rank:	culty	☐ Staff		Undergraduate St	udent	
If student (Give	the followi	ng informa	tion):			
Name of superv	isor					
Address						
Phone number	of superviso	r				
2) Project Title						
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3) Term of pro	ject Start			End		
approval process v	vill fulfill Publ	ic Health Ser	vice and U	lity of the faculty men ISDA Animal Welfare humane care and use	Act requirements	

In signing this form, I assure that discomfort and injury to animals will be limited to that which is unavoidable in the conduct of valid scientific research. I have consulted with a veterinarian when potentially painful procedures are to be performed. I further assure that all applicable licenses and permits have been obtained and copies are attached to this document. I agree to comply with UNA's IACUC policies and procedures, and all applicable state and federal laws governing animal welfare.

**This application must be submitt	ted on a new comple	te form every three ye	ears, more

Return to Colony	
Return to Wild	
Transfer to Different Project	
Title of Different Project	
Harvesting for Additional Use	
Describe How the Animal will be killed	d:
Please Explain Additional Use	

UNA INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE ANIMAL CARE AND USE APPLICATION - **ANIMAL HOUSING (FORM B)**

IACUC CHAIR/Authorized signature	Date
Attending Veterinarian (large mammals and birds only) –	
Date	

UNA Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee Inspection Form (Form C)

University Representatives