



VETERINARY MEDICINE

CURRENT CONDITIONS AND NEEDS

MISSION DRIVEN GOALS

- ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT THE OSU VETERINARY MEDICINE AUTHORITY – INITIAL ORGANIZATION ACCOMPLISHED
- MAINTAIN FULL ACCREDITATION
- PROVIDE SERVICES FOR THE PREPARATION OF VETERINARY MEDICINE STUDENTS AND TO SUPPORT FOOD ANIMAL PRODUCTION IN OKLAHOMA.
- IMPROVE NATIONAL RANKINGS AND REPUTATION
- SUSTAIN AND IMPROVE DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES FOR RURAL VETERINARIANS AND FOOD ANIMAL PRODUCERS

Agency/Authority Startup:

All of the necessary political appointments have been made. The first meeting was held to approve by-laws, elect officers and receive funding requests for operational and capital needs.

Accreditation:

Site visit from accrediting body in April of 2024 – Negative report would have a devastating impact. Directives from the accrediting body include the following imperatives:

- Presentation of a detailed plan on how new revenues can be obtained to sustain the academic training program.
- Provide sufficient faculty to fulfill the educational mission of the College of Veterinary Medicine.

Ranking and Reputation:

- Currently ranked next to last among veterinary schools by U.S. News and World Report.

Faculty and Staff:

- Critical faculty and staff positions are necessary to maintain teaching and treatment functions.

Facilities:

- Previous capital appropriations will enable the design and rehabilitation of current facilities.

Food Security and Food Animal Production:

- In the interests of the state, it is imperative that we protect and increase food animal production in rural Oklahoma.
- This will require a significant increase in the number of large animal and food animal veterinarians, as well as an aggressive veterinary extension program to assist food production ranchers.