WHEREAS the Veterinary Business Management Association (VBMA) club in the College of Veterinary medicine is having an event, on November 17th, 2011 from 6-8pm, aimed at bringing future health professionals together to discuss issues of business within their fields; and

WHEREAS business skills are very valuable to students because many health professionals will become business owners at some point in their careers and different schools undoubtedly approach this need for business education differently. VBMA believes it would be beneficial for students in the health professions to have the opportunity to share ideas and expertise from their own programs' business education classes and clubs; and

WHEREAS a secondary goal of this event is to serve as a catalyst for increased involvement of the health professions as part of the One Health initiative. Dean King from the College of Veterinary Medicine will make a 15 minute presentation about One Health at 6:30pm, followed by a several minute presentation from the business organization of each school attending the event; and

WHEREAS Dr. Harcha (Director of Alumni Services and Professional Development Education at College of Veterinary Medicine) is in contact with and beginning to collect RSVPs from: the College of Dentistry, College of Medicine, College of Optometry, College of Nursing, College of Pharmacy, and College of Public Health. VBMA is currently estimating having 100 students in attendance; and

WHEREAS students like to eat food while mingling, VBMA will be providing light refreshments for participants from Jimmy John's at a cost of $46.49 for each 30 sandwich platter. VBMA would like to purchase four platters for the event. Dessert will also be provided. While Jimmy John's offers cookies at a price of 12 for $24, VBMA decided it would make more financial sense to purchase baking ingredients and have board members bake cookies and brownies at home for dessert. The requested assistance for homemade desserts is $65.00. VBMA has submitted a Coke grant for drinks for the event; and

WHEREAS VBMA has reserved space in the College of Veterinary Medicine facilities (the Grand Lounge) for the event, the College of Veterinary Medicine is easy accessible to all students due to having a stop on the university bus route and also having an abundance of parking spaces available in the evening; and

WHEREAS this is a great opportunity for students from multiple professional programs to get together and discuss an important aspect of being a professional;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED the Inter-Professional Council support the Professional Business Organization Event at the College of Veterinary Medicine by providing $250.96 for dinner and dessert