

MINUTES
Oversight Committee Quarterly Meeting
Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas

Thompson Auditorium, 1st Floor
Texas Medical Association
401 W 15th Street, Austin, Texas

July 27, 2011
1:00 p.m.

James Mansour, Chairman, announced a quorum and called the Oversight Committee Quarterly Meeting of the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (Institute) to order at 1:00 p.m.

Members Present

James Mansour, Chairman
Dr. Joseph Bailes
Cindy Brinker Simmons
Charles Tate
Barbara Canales
Lionel Sosa
The Honorable Faith Johnson
Patricia Vojack (on behalf of the
Comptroller)
Jay Dyer (Designee for the Attorney
General)

Members Absent

Phil Wilson

Legal Counsel

Kristen Doyle

Staff Present

Bill Gimson, Executive Director
Heidi McConnell, Chief Operating Officer
Dr. Becky Garcia, Chief Prevention Officer
Jerry Cobbs, Chief Commercialization Officer
Ramona Magid, Prevention Program Director
Robert Parkhurst, Information Technology
Sandra Balderrama, Senior Advisor to the Executive Director
Alfonso Royal, Finance Manager
Lisa Nelson, Operations Manager
Michelle Frerich, Program Manager
Yvette Jimenez, Administrative Assistant
Norma Kernell, Administrative Assistant
Sandra Reyes, Executive Assistant

Excused Absences

Chairman Mansour read a letter from Phil Wilson requesting his absence be excused.

Chairman Mansour requested a motion to grant the requests to excuse the absence of Phil Wilson.

Charles Tate moved to grant the excused absence to Phil Wilson. Barbara Canales seconded. None opposed. Motion carried.

Minutes

Faith Johnson moved to adopt the minutes of the March 24, 2011, CPRIT Oversight Committee Quarterly Meeting. Joseph Bailes seconded. None opposed. Motion carried.

Report from the Executive Director

Executive Director Bill Gimson provided an update and overview of CPRIT activities for the year.

- CPRIT Update
- Report from the CPRIT Foundation - Jennifer Lustina, CPRIT Foundation Executive Director
- Report on Commercialization – Jerry Cobbs, Chief Commercialization Officer
- Diversity Work Group Update – Judge Faith Johnson, Oversight Committee Member
- Reports from Research and Prevention programs were presented with the submission of the slates

No action required.

Appointments to Scientific Research and Prevention Program (SRPP) Committee Members (Research, Prevention, and Commercialization Members)

Chairman of the Nominations Committee, Dr. Joseph Bailes, presented the newly appointed members by the Executive Director to Scientific Research and Prevention Program Committee (SRPP).

- 11 New SRPP members for research
- 13 New SRPP members for prevention
- 3 New SRPP members for commercialization

Dr. Bailes requested that the Oversight Committee approve the appointments to the Scientific Research and Prevention Program (SRPP) Committees.

Chairman James Mansour explained that Texas law requires the Oversight Committee to take action to approve the Executive Director's appointments to the SRPP committees.

Cindy Brinker Simmons moved to approve the Executive Director's appointments to the Scientific Research and Prevention Programs (SRPP) committees. Charles Tate seconded. None opposed. Motion carried.

Nominations Committee Recommendation for Appointment to the Advisory Committee on Childhood Cancer (ACCC)

Chairman of the Nominations Committee, Dr. Joseph Bailes, presented Brad H. Pollock, M.D., Ph.D. as a recommended appointee.

Dr. Bailes requested that the Oversight Committee approve the appointment to the Advisory Committee on Childhood Cancer.

Chairman Mansour explained that Texas law requires the board to appoint members to the Advisory Committee on Childhood Cancer committee and asked for a motion to approve the appointment.

Lionel Sosa moved to approve the Nominating Committee recommendation for appointments to the Advisory Committee on Childhood Cancer. Cindy Brinker Simmons seconded. None opposed. Motion carried.

Presentations

- Jacqueline Northcut, CEO of Texas BioAlliance, gave a brief presentation and update on the “**Entrepreneur In Residence (EIR)**” Program
- Dr. Paul Cossum, Ph.D, President of Texas BioAlliance, gave a brief presentation and update on the “**Virtual Management Company**”

Submission of Slates – Research Grant Applications Recommended for Funding

Chairman Mansour asked Executive Director Bill Gimson to present the research grant award slates. Bill Gimson stated that he had one slate for this funding period and gave a brief description of the Recruitment award slate recommendations.

Chairman Mansour advised that Texas law requires the Oversight Committee to follow the Executive Director’s funding recommendation unless two-thirds of the Oversight Committee members vote to disregard the recommendation.

SLATE 1 Chairman Mansour called for a motion to disregard the Executive Director’s funding recommendation for the **Recruitment Award Slate**.

Hearing no motion to disregard this slate, Chairman Mansour called for a motion to delegate contract negotiation authority to the Executive Director and the General Counsel and to authorize the Executive Director to sign the contracts on behalf of the Institute.

Motion was made by Dr. Joseph Bailes and seconded by Barbara Canales. None opposed. Motion carried.

Submission of Slates – Prevention Grant Applications Recommended for Funding.

Mr. Gimson introduced CPRIT's Chief Prevention Officer, Dr. Becky Garcia, to present prevention grant award slates. Dr. Garcia stated that she had three slates for this funding period. She gave a brief description of each slates recommendations.

Chairman Mansour advised that Texas law requires the Oversight Committee to follow the Executive Director's funding recommendation unless two-thirds of the Oversight Committee members vote to disregard the recommendation.

Chairman Mansour called for separate votes on each slate

SLATE 1 *Chairman Mansour called for a motion to disregard the Executive Director's funding recommendation for the **Evidence-Based Cancer Prevention Services Award Slate.***

Hearing no motion, he moved to the next slate.

SLATE 2 *Chairman Mansour called for a motion to disregard the Executive Director's funding recommendation for the **Health Behavior Change Through Public and Professional Education and Training Award Slate.***

Hearing no motion, he moved to the next slate.

SLATE 3 *Chairman Mansour called for a motion to disregard the Executive Director's funding recommendation for the **Cancer Prevention Microgrants Award Slate.***

Hearing no motion to disregard any of the slates, Chairman Mansour called for a motion to delegate contract negotiation authority to the Executive Director and the General Counsel and to authorize the Executive Director to sign the contracts on behalf of the Institute.

Motion was made by Charles Tate and seconded by Faith Johnson. None opposed. Motion carried.

Advance Authority

Chairman Mansour introduced Heidi McConnell, CPRIT's Chief Operating Officer, to address the issue of advance authority with regard to certain grant awards.

A motion was made by Dr. Joseph Bailes to authorize CPRIT to make advance payments to the 16 Recruitment Award recipients consistent with the General Appropriations Act, Article IX, Section 4.03(a). Seconded by Cindy Brinker Simmons. None opposed. Motion carried.

Agency Operation Report

Reports presented by Heidi McConnell, Chief Operating Officer:

- FY2011 Expenditure Report
- FY2011 Performance Report

No action required.

Proposed Future Meetings Dates and Agenda Items

Meeting Dates

The next scheduled meetings are as follows:

- Wednesday, November 2, 2011, TMA
- Wednesday, January 18, 2012, TMA
- Thursday, March 29, 2012, TMA
- Thursday, July 26, 2012, TMA

The TMA rooms have been reserved.

Public Comment

Chairman Mansour called for public comments. None were submitted.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Mansour called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion was made by Dr. Joseph Bailes and seconded by Cindy Brinker Simmons. None opposed. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Cindy Brinker Simmons
Signature

11/2/11
Date

