

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

August 2, 2012
11:00 a.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 11:05 a.m.

Members Present

James Mansour, Chairman
Dr. Joseph Bailes, Vice Chairman
Barbara Canales
Patricia Vojack (on behalf of the Comptroller)
Jay Dyer (Designee for the Attorney General)
The Honorable Judge Faith Johnson
Tom Luce
Alex Meade
Walker N. Moody
Charles Tate
Mark E. Watson, Jr.

Members Absent

None.

Legal Counsel

Kristen Doyle

Staff Present

Bill Gimson, Executive Director
Heidi McConnell, Chief Operating Officer
Dr. Becky Garcia, Chief Prevention Officer
Dr. Alfred Gilman, Chief Scientific Officer
JoAnn Eckert, Director of Scientific Review
Ramona Magid, Prevention Program Director
Therry Simien, Information Technology
Christopher Bair, Information Technology

Diego Alejos, Information Technology
Earl Jackson, Information Technology
Sandra Balderrama, Senior Advisor to the Executive Director
Yvette Jimenez, Administrative Assistant
Ellen Read, Information Specialist
Alfonso Royal, Finance Manager
Lisa Nelson, Operations Manager
Michelle Frerich, Program Manager
Norma Kernell, Administrative Assistant
Sandra Reyes, Executive Assistant

New Board Member Introductions

Chairman Mansour introduced and welcomed Mr. Tom Luce as the newly appointed Oversight Committee member. Mr. Tom Luce was appointed to CPRIT by Speaker of the House Joe Strauss.

Minutes

Barbara Canales moved to adopt the minutes of the March 29, 2012, CPRIT Oversight Committee Quarterly Meeting. Faith Johnson seconded. None opposed. Motion carried.

Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Bill Gimson provided an update and overview of CPRIT activities from March 2012 thru July 2012.

- Agenda for the meeting
 - LAR Approval
 - CPRIT Awards
- Recent Review Process Issues
 - Corrective Actions
- Future Directions
 - First Meeting Review
 - What they will look at
 - Preliminary Ideas
 - Allocations
 - Research – Level or decrease
 - Prevention – Increase
 - Commercialization – Increase
 - Next Steps
 - Regional Meetings
 - Webinar
 - Preliminary recommendations at CPRIT Annual Conference in October

Tom Luce asked that the Oversight Committee members be given information about the time and location of the regional meetings. Bill Gimson offered to send him that information.

Mark Watson recommended that the board establish a governance committee. Chairman Mansour agreed and called for a motion to establish an ad hoc Governance Committee.

Motion was made by Mark Watson to establish a governance committee and seconded by Charles Tate. None opposed. Motion carried.

Bill Gimson asked Barbara Canales to introduce a special speaker.

Barbara Canales introduced James Ragan, a 19 year old young man who's been fighting pediatric bone cancer since the age of 13. His will to live and fight this disease has inspired him to start the Triumph Over Kid Cancer Foundation to raise money to fund new research ideas in an effort to cure, extend or ease the lives of children with pediatric bone cancer. She also thanked James' mother, Gloria Ragan, for attending the meeting

James Ragan, spoke about his journey and passion to raise money for drugs for pediatric bone cancer. He thanked CPRIT for the role it's playing in the cancer world and encouraged committee to seek additional opportunities to fund research for childhood cancer.

FY 2013-2017 Strategic Plan Approval

Heidi McConnell, Chief Operating Officer, presented the final Strategic Plan for approval.

A motion was made by Walker Moody to approve the Strategic Plan for 2013-17. Seconded by Faith Johnson. None opposed. Motion carried.

Approval of the Legislative Appropriations Request (LAR) for the 2014-15 Biennium

Heidi McConnell, Chief Operating Officer, presented the Legislative Appropriations Request (LAR) for the 2014-15 Biennium for approval.

A motion was made by Tom Luce to approve the Legislative Appropriations Request (LAR) for the 2014-15 Biennium. Seconded by Faith Johnson. None opposed. Motion carried.

Submission of Slates – Prevention Grant Applications Recommended for Funding

Executive Director Bill Gimson asked Dr. Becky Garcia, Chief Prevention Officer to present the grant award slates. Dr. Garcia stated that she had two slates for this funding period and gave a brief description of the slates for recommendation.

Chairman Mansour informed the attendees that because CPRIT Oversight Committee members play a role in the grant award process, they are subject to CPRIT's conflict of interest standards. He then requested for the record to show that no Oversight Committee member requested to be recused from considering any of the award slates being presented.

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 **Evidence-Based Cancer Prevention Services Award 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 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 Faith Johnson 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 seconded by Barbara Canales. None opposed. Motion carried.

Discussions

Barbara Canales would like to have a grantee make a presentation at each oversight committee meeting. These grantees can update the board on their projects and programs funded by CPRIT. This would be great insight on the work being done.

Executive Director Bill Gimson responded by saying that CPRIT staff will coordinate these presentations.

Dr. Becky Garcia informed the attendees that at the annual CPRIT conference many grantees will do presentations on their projects and she invited all to attend this event October 24-26. She also informed the board that there is an annual grantee dinner that is sponsored by Chancellor Francisco Cigarroa at the University of Texas system at the Bauer House.

Submission of Slates – Research Grant Applications Recommended for Funding

Executive Director Bill Gimson asked Dr. Al Gilman, Chief Scientific Officer to present the grant award slates. Dr. Gilman stated that he had four slates for this funding period. He gave a brief description of the slates recommendation.

Chairman Mansour informed the attendees that because CPRIT Oversight Committee members play a role in the grant award process, they are subject to CPRIT's conflict of interest standards. He then requested for the record to show that no Oversight Committee member requested to be recused from considering any of the award slates being presented.

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 **Multiple Investigator Research Award Slate.**

SLATE 2 Chairman Mansour called for a motion to disregard the Executive Director's funding recommendation for the **Clinical Trials Network Award Slate.**

SLATE 3 Chairman Mansour called for a motion to disregard the Executive Director's funding recommendation for the **Individual Investigator Research Award slate.**

SLATE 4 Chairman Mansour called for a motion to disregard the Executive Director's funding recommendation for the **Research Recruitment Award slate (CPRIT Scholar in Cancer Research)**.

Hearing no motion to disregard 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 Joseph Bailes 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 seconded by Barbara Canales. None opposed. Motion carried.

Additionally, Dr. Al Gilman addressed the board with a brief statement.

- He announced his resignation effective October 2012. He stated that the advice given by the Peer Review members these first 3 years has been enormous and of great benefit. These advisors have been recruited everywhere from Boston to San Diego to work for Texas.
- He assured the board that excellent applications will continue to be submitted by researchers in Texas.
- He wished CPRIT and the board the best of luck maintaining the quality of the Scientific Review Council.

Chairman Mansour thanked Dr. Gilman for his remarks and service.

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.

<u>Recruitee</u>	<u>Recruited To</u>
<u>Recruitment of Investigators Performing Translational Research</u>	
Sokolov, Igor	Texas Tech University
<u>Recruitment of First-Time, Tenure-Track Faculty Members</u>	
Koehler, Angela	Baylor College of Medicine
Sieglwart, Daniel	The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas
Cole, Francesca	The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center
Finkelstein, Ilya	The University of Texas at Austin
Levental, Ilya	The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
Jaqaman, Khuloud	The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas
Carvajal-Carmona, Luis	Baylor College of Medicine
Yang, Liuqing	The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center
Wang, Pei	The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio
Mukhopadhyay, Saikat	The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center Dallas
Nam, Yunsun	The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas
Wang, Zhigao	The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas
<u>Recruitment of Rising Stars</u>	
Zhou, Ming	Baylor College of Medicine
Dror, Ron	The University of Texas at Austin
<u>Recruitment of Established Investigators</u>	
Danuser, Gaudenz	The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas
Nicolaou, Kyriacos	Rice University
Kalluri, Raghu	The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center
Parsons, Ramon	The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas
<u>Recruitment of Missing Links</u>	
Nephew, Kenneth	The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio

A motion was made by Joseph Bailes to authorize CPRIT to make advance payments, if requested, to the Research Recruitment Award recipients consistent with the General Appropriations Act, Article IX, Section 4.03(a). Motion was seconded by Faith Johnson. None opposed. Motion carried.

Appointments

Joseph Bailes presented the names of the newly appointed members by the Executive Director to:

Scientific Research and Prevention Program Committee (SRPP)

Commercialization members:

John McBride, MS, MBA
Consultant,
Westborough, MA

Robert T. Sarisky, Ph.D., MBA
Vice President, Business Development,
Oncology,
Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical
Services
Springhouse, PA

Prevention members:

Wayne Dysinger, MD, MPH
Chair, Department of Preventive Medicine
Loma Linda University

Melissa Geller, MD, MS
Assistant Professor
Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology
and Women's Health, Division of
Gynecologic Oncology
University of Minnesota

Advisory Committee on Childhood Cancer (ACCC):

Stephen X Skapek, M.D.
Professor
University of Texas Southwestern
Medical Center

Susan M. Blaney, M.D.
Director, Neuro-oncology Program and
Co-Director, Clinical Pharmacology
Program, Texas Children's Cancer Center
- Texas Children's Hospital

Scientific and Prevention Advisory Council (SPAC):

Chandini Portteus, MPH
Vice president
Research, Evaluation and Scientific Programs
Susan G. Komen for the Cure

Chairman Mansour requested that the Oversight Committee approve the appointments to the various committees presented.

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

Tom Luce moved to approve the Executive Director's appointments to the committees presented. Barbara Canales seconded. None opposed. Motion carried.

Additionally, Joseph Bailes announced two appointments to fill the vacancies on the University Advisory Committee (UAC)

He explained that CPRIT's statute requires that members of this committee be appointed by the Chancellor or President of each academic institution.

Appointed members:

- Dr. David Cistola, Vice President for Research at the University of North Texas Health Science Center
- Dr. Patrick Reynolds, Professor at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Cancer Center Director at the School of Medicine

Agency Operation Report

Reports presented by Heidi McConnell, Chief Operating Officer:

- FY 2012 Third Quarter Financial Report
- FY 2012 Second & Third Quarter Performance Report
- Strategic Planning and Legislative Appropriations Request

Board Subcommittee Membership

Item was not discussed.

Proposed Future Meetings Dates and Agenda Items

The next scheduled meetings are as follows:

- Wednesday, November 14, 2012 at TMA
- Thursday, January 17, 2013 at TMA
- Thursday, March 21, 2013 at TMA
- Wednesday, May 22, 2013 at TMA
- Thursday, August 15, 2013 at TMA

The Texas Medical Association (TMA) rooms have been reserved.

No action required.

Closed Session

Chairman Mansour announced that the closed session was not necessary. He asked for a motion to be made to disregard the closed session item.

Joseph Bailes moved to disregard the Closed Session item. Faith Johnson seconded. None opposed. Motion carried.

Public Comment

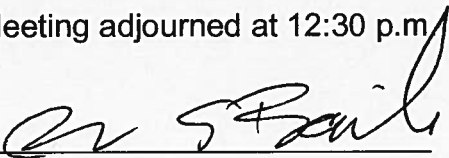
Chairman Mansour called for public comments. None were submitted.

Adjournment

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

Motion was made by Tom Luce to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Joe Bailes. None opposed. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.



Signature

12-5-12
Date

