### **Operational Sub-Committee of the**

Regenerative Medicine Research Fund Regular Meeting Tuesday, September 15, 2015

A regular meeting of the **Regenerative Medicine Research Fund Operational Sub-Committee** (the "Sub-Committee") was held on Tuesday, September 15, 2015, at the office of Connecticut Innovations, 865 Brook Street, Rocky Hill, Connecticut.

<u>Call to Order</u>: Noting the presence of a quorum, the Sub-Committee meeting was called to order at 12:32 p.m.

Sub-Committee members present: Sandra Engle, Ph.D.; Mark Tomishima, Ph.D.; and Ronald Hart, Ph.D. (by phone).

Other Attendees: Margaret Cartiera, Ph.D.; Ariel Drew (CI); Carrie Collins White (CI); Leslie Larson (CI); Whitney Brown, Ph.D. (CI, by phone); and Isolde Bates (UCHC, by phone).

#### **Approval of Minutes**

The Sub-Committee members were asked to consider the minutes from the August 18, 2015 meeting.

Upon a motion made by Dr. Tomishima, seconded by Dr. Hart, the Operational Sub-Committee members voted in favor of adopting the minutes from the August 18, 2015 meeting. VOTE: 3-0-0 (In favor: Engle, Tomishima and Hart).

## **Operational Approvals**

#### **Annual Reports**

• 13-SCB-UCHC-05, Chhabra (includes Carryover Request)

The Sub-Committee expressed several concerns regarding the carryover request; including the significant dollar amount of the request, as well as confusion whether the justification was in line with the originally proposed project and research. There was also concern regarding the large amount of scientific language in the lay summary.

The Sub-Committee requested that the investigator resubmit an appropriate lay summary in accordance with fund guidelines, the annual report, as well as a revised budget request with an appropriate budget justification, for review.

Upon a motion made by Dr. Engle, seconded by Dr. Tomishima, the Operational Sub-Committee members voted in favor of not approving the annual report and carryover request for grant 13-SCB-UCHC-05, Chhabra. VOTE: 3-0-0 (In favor: Tomishima, Engle and Hart).

• 13-SCB-UCHC-06, Heinen (includes Carryover Request)

Upon a motion made by Dr. Engle, seconded by Dr. Tomishima, the Operational Sub-Committee members voted in favor of approving the annual report and carryover request for grant 13-SCB-UCHC-06, Heinen. VOTE: 3-0-0 (In favor: Tomishima, Engle and Hart).

• 12-SCA-YALE-15, Yao

Upon a motion made by Dr. Engle, seconded by Dr. Tomishima, the Operational Sub-Committee members voted in favor of approving the annual report for grant 12-SCA-YALE-15, Yao. VOTE: 3-0-0 (In favor: Tomishima, Engle and Hart).

## **Revised Budget Request**

• 12-SCB-YALE-01, Horsley

Upon a motion made by Dr. Tomishima, seconded by Dr. Engle, the Operational Sub-Committee members voted in favor of the revised budget request for grant 12-SCB-YALE-01, Horsley. VOTE: 3-0-0 (In favor: Tomishima, Engle and Hart).

Next Sub-Committee Meeting Date: November 17, 2015

Next Full Advisory Committee Meeting Date: November 17, 2015

Dr. Cartiera stated that a special full Advisory Committee meeting will be scheduled prior to the November 17<sup>th</sup> meeting to finalize and approve the 2016 RFP.

#### **Adjournment:**

Upon a motion made by Dr. Tomishima, seconded by Dr. Engle, the Operational Sub-Committee members voted in favor of adjourning the meeting at 12:40 p.m. VOTE: 3-0-0 (In favor: Tomishima, Engle and Hart).

# Regenerative Medicine Research Fund Operational Sub-Committee

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew McCooe, Chief Executive Officer Connecticut Innovations