**ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**of the** **Connecticut Bioscience Innovation Fund**

Minutes – Regular Meeting
Wednesday, September 13, 2023

A regular meeting of the **Connecticut Bioscience Innovation Fund** (“the Bioscience Fund” or “CBIF”) **Advisory Committee** (the “Committee”) was held electronically through Microsoft Teams on September 13, 2023.

**1. Call to Order**:

Noting the presence of a quorum, Christopher McLeod, Acting Chairperson of the Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Committee Members Present: Liisa Kuhn, Ph.D.; William LaRochelle, Ph.D.; Christopher McLeod; Alan Mendelson; Anthony Muyombwe, Ph.D., Marie-Claire Peakman, Ph.D.; Kevin Rakin; and Eric Rosow.

Committee Members Absent: Seth Feuerstein M.D; Charles Lee, Ph.D., Matthew McCooe, David Scheer, and Mark Saltzman, Ph.D.

Staff Attending: Stepheni Harpin; Pauline Murphy; Elizabeth Skrabl; and Matthew Storeygard

Others in Attendance: Tim Howe.

**2. Approval of Minutes:**

Mr. McLeod asked the Committee members to consider the minutes from the June 13, 2023, regular meeting.

**Upon a motion made by Mr. Rakin and seconded by Dr. Muyombwe, the Advisory Committee members voted** **unanimously in favor of adopting the minutes from the June 13, 2023, regular meeting, as presented.**

**3. Other Business:**

**Introduction of New Committee Members**

Mr. Storeygard welcomed Eric Rosow and Marie-Claire Peakman, Ph. D. to the committee. Each new member gave a brief introduction.

**Avitus Orthopedics, Inc. – Shelton, CT**

Mr. Howe discussed the history of CI’s investment in Avitus Orthopedics, Inc. and the current strategic plan of the company.

A discussion ensued.

**Upon a motion made by Mr. Mendelson and seconded by Mr. Rakin, the Advisory Committee members voted unanimously in favor of the execution by Connecticut Innovations, Inc. on items for action, as presented, in Avitus Orthopedics, Inc.**

**Proposed Connecticut Presence Definition Changes**

Ms. Murphy presented the memorandum entitled “Proposed Connecticut Presence Definition Changes”.

A discussion ensued.

**Upon a motion made by Mr. Mendelson and seconded by Dr. Peakman, the Advisory Committee members voted unanimously to approve the memorandum entitled "Proposed Connecticut Presence Definition Changes”, as presented.**

**CBIF Internal Approval Update – Quarter Ended June 30, 2023**

Ms. Murphy gave a brief presentation on the CBIF Internal Approvals - Quarter Ended June 30, 2023.

**Upon a motion made by Mr. Rakin and seconded by Mr. Mendelson, the Advisory Committee members voted unanimously in favor of approving the Memorandum entitled "CBIF Internal Approvals – Quarter Ended June 30, 2023” as presented.**

**4. Date of Next Meeting:**

October 18, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

**5. Adjournment:**

**Upon a motion made by Mr. Rakin, seconded by Mr. McLeod, the Advisory Committee members voted unanimously in favor of adjourning the meeting at 10:24 a.m.**

 Respectfully Submitted,

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 Christopher McLeod

 Acting Chairperson