

May 17, 2016
3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.



Conference call (888) 670-3525
Conference code 5311418626

Alzheimer's Disease Research Grant Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes

Alzheimer's Disease Research Grant Advisory Board Members in Attendance:

- Frederick Schaerf, M.D., Ph.D., Neuropsychiatric Research Center of Southwest Florida
- Neill Graff-Radford, M.D., Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville
- Leilani Doty, Ph.D., University of Florida, Chair
- Ranjan Duara, M.D., Mount Sinai Medical Center
- Jacqueline Wiltshire, Ph.D., University of South Florida, Assistant Chair
- Mariana Dangiolo, M.D., University of Central Florida
- Todd Golde, M.D., Ph.D., University of Florida

DOH Staff:

- Teresa Mathew, MSW, MPA, Advisory Board Liaison, Biomedical Research Section
- Bonnie Gaughan-Bailey, MPA, ASQ-CQIA, Administrator, Biomedical Research Section
- Jennifer Drake, Grant Management Lead, Biomedical Research Section
- Donald Morgan, Public Health Intern, Biomedical Research Section

Members of the Public:
None

A quorum was present. Board members received all pertinent meeting materials. Board members participated via conference call and could actively and equally participate in the discussion.

I. Meeting Minute Approval

Meeting minutes from 5/2/2016 were approved. Dr. Graff-Radford made the motion to accept the minutes and Dr. Doty called for a vote.

Total votes for approval: (Total members voting: 7) Affirmative: 7, Negative: 0, Recusal: 0

II. Discussion of Possible Procedures for Reallocating Research Grant Funds Returned to the Department

Bonnie provided background information on the subject of reverted funds. This may occur at the end of a two-year grant cycle if the recipient's total expenditures over the course of the grant were less than the total funds awarded. If this happens, the remainder of the awarded funds are reverted to the Department. At the time of the conference call, the amount of funds reverted to the Department was \$40,000. Funds may also be reverted to the Department if an individual applies for and is awarded Department funds and federal funds for the same research. The FOA's current Terms and Conditions stipulates that in instances of financial overlap, the grantee must relinquish one of their awards in order to rectify the overlap in funds.

Bonnie explained that there are some options for how to deal with reverted funds, but the Board would need to decide on a procedure to deal with this issue. The Department would then have guidance in place to carry out the Board's wishes in the future. One option is to use the funds to increase awards on existing grants to bring them closer to 100% of their original requested amount. Another is to consider funding grants that were not awarded funds in the fiscal year in question. The Board may consider creating a ranked list of alternate grants to fund.

Jennifer explained that if the \$40,000 is not reappropriated in grants by June 30th, the funds will roll-over into the pool of funds available for FY 16-17.

Dr. Golde made the suggestion that we should allow the \$40,000 to revert and reappropriate this year. In the future, the Board should decide upon a ranked list of alternate grant proposals. If the amount of funds reverted to the Department is greater than \$125,000, or 50% of the amount requested by the highest ranked alternate grant application, then the money will be distributed to applications on the alternate list based upon priority established by the Board. The Board will decide upon a ranked list of alternate grant applications when they make their funding decisions for each fiscal year.

Dr. Golde made the motion to vote on his suggested course of action. Dr. Graff-Radford seconded the motion.

Total votes for approval: (Total members voting: 7), Affirmative: 7, Negative: 0, Recusal: 0

III. Discussion and Approval of the Research Agenda

The Board discussed what would be involved in collecting the data for the fifth item in Table 1: Metrics to Evaluate Impact of Funding.

Dr. Graff-Radford made the motion to vote to adopt the Research Agenda. Dr. Duara seconded the motion.

Total votes for approval: (Total members voting: 7), Affirmative: 7, Negative: 0, Recusal: 0

IV.

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VI. Public Comment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m., EST.