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Board of Governors Meeting via Teleconference / Webinar

Tuesday, February 23, 2016

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm ET

Board Members Present:

Grayson Norquist, MD, MSPH, *Chairperson*; Kerry Barnett, JD, *Vice Chairperson;* Lawrence Becker; Francis Collins, MD, PhD; Allen Douma, MD; Leah Hole-Marshall, JD; Gail Hunt; Robert Jesse, MD, PhD; Richard Kronick, PhD; Freda Lewis-Hall, MD; Steve Lipstein, MHA; Robert Zwolak, MD, PhD

Board Members Absent:

Debra Barksdale, PhD, RN; Alicia Fernandez, MD; Christine Goertz, DC, PhD; Harlan Krumholz, MD, SM; Richard Kuntz, MD, MSc; Sharon Levin, MD; Barbara McNeil, MD, PhD; Ellen Sigal, PhD; Harlan Weisman, MD

Minutes

Agenda Item	**Related Minutes**
Call to Order, Roll Call, and Welcome - *Grayson Norquist, MD, MSPH, Chairperson*	Dr. Grayson Norquist chaired and opened the meeting, welcomed all to the meeting of the PCORI Board of Governors and read the Chair Statement on Conflict of Interest. The Chair then recognized Robin Newhouse, Chair of the Methodology Committee, who thanked Drs. Sebastian Schneeweiss and Clyde Yancy for their contributions to PCORI since their service on the Methodology Committee began in January 2011, and wished them well in their future endeavors.
Approval of the January 26, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes *- Grayson Norquist, MD, MSPH*	The following motion was made by Kerry Barnett and seconded by Larry Becker: **Motion:** Approve the minutes of the January 26, 2016 Board of Governors meeting. *Approved by a majority vote of the Board by voice vote (no opposed; no abstentions)*
Consider for Acceptance: FY2015 Audit Report *Kerry Barnett, JD, Chair,* Governance Committee, *Regina Yan, MA,* Chief Operating Officer, and *Tom Sneeringer, Audit Partner and Client Service Coordinator, RSM US*	Kerry Barnett introduced Tom Sneeringer, Audit Partner and Client Service Coordinator for RSM US. Mr. Sneeringer provided an overview of the FY2015 Audit Report process, which included several meetings with the Governance Committee: • October 13, 2015 – Reviewed audit plan and timeline • November 30, 2015 – Received progress report on audit • December 15, 2015 – Received preliminary audit report • January 19, 2016 – Received Draft Audit Report Each meeting involved an Executive Session between Governance Committee members and auditors.

	This audit resulted in an unmodified clean audit opinion. Board members were invited to discuss the findings and no further discussion was deemed necessary. The following motion was made by Larry Becker and seconded by Leah Hole-Marshall. **Motion**: To accept the FY2015 Audit Report. *Approved by majority vote of the Board by roll call vote. 12 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstained.*
Consider for Approval: Phase II Funding for the PCORnet Coordinating Center: Duke Clinical Research Institute *Joe Selby, MD,* Executive Director and *Rachael Fleurence, PhD,* Program Director, CER Methods and Infrastructure Program	Dr. Rachael Fleurence presented the request for Phase II funding of PCORnet's Coordinating Center at the Duke Clinical Research Institute from April 1, 2016 through November 30, 2018. She presented a brief overview of Phase I PCORnet successes and the context for two coordinating centers, justification for funding through key deliverables, and budget requests. During the presentation, she addressed questions around coordination and research readiness that were raised during the Research Transformation Committee (RTC) meeting held on February 18, 2016. Members of the Board asked for clarification on the distinction between funding for start-up activities versus continued maintenance of PCORnet. It was noted that the RTC supported this request to both continue developing the PCORnet infrastructure and to maintain operations that will improve network-wide sustainability. The following motion was made by Larry Becker and seconded by Robert Zwolak. **Motion**: Approve $29 million in total costs for Phase II PCORnet Coordinating Center Activities for the Duke Clinical Research Institute *Approved by a majority vote of the Board by roll call vote: 11 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstentions; 1 recusal (Freda Lewis-Hall; Sharon Levine and Barbara McNeil were not present but indicated earlier their intention to recuse themselves from this discussion and vote).*
Consider for Approval: Phase II Funding for the PCORnet Coordinating Center: Genetic Alliance *Joe Selby, MD,* Executive Director and *Rachael Fleurence, PhD,* Program Director, CER Methods and Infrastructure Program	Dr. Rachael Fleurence presented the request for Phase II funding of PCORnet's Coordinating Center at Genetic Alliance from March 1, 2016 through October 31, 2018. She presented the context for two coordinating centers, key deliverables from Phase I, what is to come in Phase II, and budget requests. She made note of the complementary nature of both Coordinating Centers for Board Members after the presentation. Members of the Board had no additional questions. It was noted that the Research Transformation Committee (RTC) supported this request. The following motion was made by Gail Hunt and seconded by Kerry Barnett.

	Motion: Approve $2.59 million in total costs for Phase II PCORnet Coordinating Center Activities for Genetic Alliance *Approved by a majority vote of the Board by roll call vote:* *12 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstentions.*
Wrap up and Adjournment - *Grayson Norquist, MD, MSPH*	The meeting was adjourned at 12:53 pm

Approved by the PCORI Board of Governors 03-22-2016