

Board of Governors Meeting via Teleconference / Webinar

Tuesday, December 11, 2018

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm ET

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Grayson Norquist, MD, MSPH, *Chairperson*; Christine Goertz, DC, PhD; *Vice Chairperson*; Kara Ayers, PhD; Larry Becker; Michael Lauer, MD (designee for Francis S. Collins, MD, PhD); Jennifer DeVoe, MD, DPhil; Alicia Fernandez, MD; Christopher Friesse, PhD, RN, AOCN, FAAN; Trent Haywood, MD, JD; Michael Herndon, DO; Russell Howerton, MD; Gail Hunt; Francis Chesley, Jr., MD (designee for Gopal Khanna, MBA); Sharon Levine, MD; Michelle McMurry-Heath, MD, PhD; Barbara McNeil, MD, PhD; Kathleen Troeger, MPH; Janet Woodcock, MD; Robert Zwolak, MD, PhD

Board Members Absent:

Freda Lewis-Hall, MD; Ellen Sigal, PhD

Agenda Item	PCORI Speakers
Call to Order, Roll Call, and Welcome - Grayson Norquist, MD, MSPH, <i>Chairperson</i> and Joe Selby, MD, MPH, <i>Executive Director</i>	Dr. 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. Dr. Selby deferred any comments to later in the meeting.
Consider for Approval: Minutes of the November 20, 2018 Board Meeting - Grayson Norquist, MD, MSPH	<i>The following motion was made by Robert Zwolak and seconded by Barbara McNeil.</i> Motion: Approve the Minutes of the November 20, 2018 Board Meeting. <i>Approved by a majority vote of the Board by voice vote (no opposed, no abstentions)</i>
Q4 Dashboard Review and End-of-Year Summary - Joe Selby, MD, MPH	Dr. Selby presented the Q4-2018 Dashboard and End-of-Year Summary for the Board's review. The Dashboard demonstrated 2 green-flagged items (items that are on track) and 4 yellow-flagged items (items that are off target by more than 10%-15%, depending on the metric). The two metrics that are green are research using PCORnet and PCORI abstracts posted to the website. Two metrics have provisional targets, so they are not flagged as green or yellow: results published in the literature and Altmetric (a measure of attention to publications). The metric for Funds Committed to Research is yellow because PCORI did not commit the budgeted level funds to research in Q4, or throughout 2018, in part due to much smaller than expected slates for Targeted research. The metric for Expenses is yellow because expenses were below the goal of 85% of the budgeted amount. The metric for project performance is yellow because more than 10% of projects are considered off track. The metric for PCORI Peer Review is yellow

	because early data show that the process is taking longer to complete than the established target, however the trends are moving in a positive direction. There were no red-flagged items (items that are off-target and in need of attention or action by the Board). Dr. Selby presented examples of results on PCORI's goals: To increase information, to speed uptake, and to influence research. He highlighted published results from PCORI-funded research studies on the topics of weight loss and risk associated with three bariatric procedures (a study conducted within PCORnet), a self-management program for patients with COPD, and a user-friendly advance care planning program for older adults. He shared that results from a PCORI-funded study on transgender health was taken up into four UpToDate® topic pages, including one that was updated within one day of publication. Dr. Selby shared notable examples of institutions that have credited PCORI with influencing them to be more patient-centered. Dr. Selby introduced the Q4 focus, the End-of-Year Review. He showed that PCORI is making progress on the strategic priority to increase the proportion of research funding going to focused and targeted topics and is now 55% of the research commitments. He showed PCORI's progress on active and funded priority topics and the increasing size of the Dissemination and Implementation Awards program. He shared that half of PCORI's funded projects are either complete or in PCORI Peer Review, and that the public availability of study results has been rapidly increasing since studies began to complete. He described the proposed changes to the Dashboard for FY-2019 and asked the Board if there were additional metrics of interest. Board Members expressed interest in the timing of merit review, in the targets for studies underway in PCORnet, and in tracking attention to study results posted to PCORI.org. Board members suggested that we track uptake of results on the Dashboard, with a focus on uptake into UpToDate.
Consider for Approval: Additional Application from the Cycle 1 2018 Slate of Awards • Broad PFA • Pragmatic Clinical Studies (PCS) PFA - <i>Barbara McNeil, MD, PhD, Chair, Selection Committee and Diane Bild, MD, MPH, Acting Chief Science Officer</i>	<u>Additional Broad Award for Cycle 1 2018 Broad PFA</u> Dr. McNeil introduced this agenda item and then introduced Dr. Bild, who began her presentation by introducing the proposed additional award from the Cycle 1 2018 Broad PFA. On November 20, 2018, the Board voted to approve the Selection Committee's (SC) recommendation to fund the Cycle 1 2018 Broad slate of nine research projects from different priority areas for a proposed total commitment of \$25.7M out of the budgeted \$31M. Today, the Selection Committee is recommending that the Board fund one additional research project from the Cycle 1 2018 Broad PFA given that questions previously identified by the Selection Committee had been addressed. The additional project is titled: • Greenlight Plus Study: A Randomized Study of Approaches to

	Early Childhood Obesity Prevention The additional proposed study is from the Addressing Disparities priority area, bringing the total Addressing Disparities slate from the Cycle 1 2018 Broad PFA to 5 projects. With the addition of the additional study, the Broad slate consists of 10 research projects with a proposed funding rate of 12.5%. The total proposed award amount for the additional study is \$7M. The new proposed total commitment for the Cycle 1 2018 Broad PFA, which includes the nine applications already approved by the Board and this proposed application, is \$32.7M, a slight increase over the budgeted \$31M. <i>The following motion was made by Russell Howerton and seconded by Kara Ayers.</i> Motion: Approve funding for the recommended additional award from the Cycle 1 2018 Broad PFA. <i>Approved by a majority vote of the voting Board members by roll call vote (15 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstentions, 2 recusals: Christine Goertz and Sharon Levine); Larry Becker and Janet Woodcock were not present during this vote.</i> <u>Additional PCS Award for Cycle 1 2018</u> Dr. McNeil introduced this agenda item and then introduced Dr. Bild, who began her presentation by introducing the proposed additional award from the Cycle 1 2018 Pragmatic Clinical Studies (PCS) PFA. On November 20, 2018, the Board voted to approve the Selection Committee's (SC) recommendation to fund a slate of three PCS research projects for a proposed total commitment of \$28M out of the budgeted \$37M. Today, the Selection Committee is recommending that the Board fund one additional research project from the Cycle 1 2018 PCS PFA given that questions previously identified by the Selection Committee had been addressed. The additional project title is: Scaling Up Psychological Treatments for Perinatal Depression and Anxiety Symptoms via Telemedicine The project will conduct a pragmatic, multicenter randomized non-inferiority trial in the United States and Canada to test the choice of delivery mode and provider: implementing a brief, evidence-based psychological treatment of behavioral activation for perinatal depressive and anxiety symptom, using a sample size of 1,368 patients. The total proposed award amount for the additional study is \$12.7M. The proposed total commitment for Cycle 1 2018 PCS PFA, which
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	includes the three applications already approved by the Board and this proposed application, is \$40.7M, a slight increase over the budgeted \$37M. <i>The following motion was made by Larry Becker and seconded by Russell Howerton.</i> Motion: Approve funding for the recommended additional award from the Cycle 1 2018 Pragmatic Clinical Studies PFA. <i>Approved by a majority vote of the voting Board members by roll call vote (15 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstentions, 2 recusals: Sharon Levine and Barbara McNeil); Christine Goertz and Janet Woodcock were not present during this vote.</i>
Wrap up and Adjournment - Grayson Norquist, MD, MSPH	Meeting ended at 1:00 pm.

Minutes were approved by the PCORI Board of Governors 02-26-2019