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INITIAL REVIEW GROUP (IRG)
VOTING CONFERENCE CALL

SUMMARY OF MINUTES

May 24, 2007
2:00 PM EDT

CALL TO ORDER

At 2:05 PM, Richard J. Waxweiler, PhD, Acting Executive Secretary, called the teleconference to order and introduced the Chair, Darnell Hawkins, Ph.D. Dr. Hawkins thanked the IRG panel members for participating and noted that he would be chairing the call as well as presenting some of the results of the reviews. The panel was charged with voting on the results of seven initial merit review panel meetings listed in the table below as part of the extramural research awards process.

ROLL CALL

Geneva Cashaw conducted a roll call of those who were present on the line. The following IRG members were present at the roll call:

- Darnell Hawkins, Chair
- Michael Bowling, Ph.D.
- Ann Coker, Ph.D.
- Paul Cunningham, Ph.D.
- Carolyn Diguiseppi, M.D., Ph.D., M.P.H.
- Mark Grabiner, Ph.D.
- Keith Kaufman, Ph.D.
- James Malec, Ph.D.
- Corrine Peek-Asa, Ph.D.
- Michael Roberts, Ph.D.
- James Smith, Ph.D.
- Marilyn S. Sommers, PhD, MA
- Ross Zafonte, D.O.
- Kathleen Zavela-Tyson, Ph.D., M.P.H., C.H.E.S.

The following IRG members joined the teleconference in progress:

- John Fairbanks, Ph.D.
- Victoria Phillips, D.Phil.

Given that there was a quorum, the group continued with the agenda.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Waxweiler informed the committee that they would hold their final telephone meeting in early August 2007. One more round of reviews is slated for the summer. He reminded the IRG that similar to last year, they were overseeing work not only for the Injury Center, but also for the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and the National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH). Only four announcements remain, and they are open to limited competition. The date and time for the conference call will be decided via e-mail. Although some IRG members were due to leave the committee on May 31, 2007, Dr. Waxweiler pointed out that the approval process for new members has been delayed. Therefore, he requested that the members who were scheduled to rotate off of the committee remain members for up to 120 days as allowed by the IRG Charter and that they participate in the next conference call.

With respect to the conference call process, Dr. Waxweiler pointed out that these go more smoothly if participants call in via a land line rather than on cell phones. He explained that during the voting process, some members would hang up to recuse themselves due to conflicts of interest. He asked that those members recusing themselves remain nearby, as the voting process would be brief, and a CDC staff member would call to inform them when the voting was complete. At that time, they could call back into the conference.

After confirming IRG panel members' conflicts of interest with the applications and formalizing the process for recusal, Dr. Hawkins began the voting process.

VOTE ON THE RESULTS OF IRG REVIEW OF RFAs

The Committee considered reports presented by the Chairs of the seven panels held May 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, and 22, 2007. All reports were unanimously accepted by formal motion and vote. Those members with conflicts of interest recused themselves from the call as appropriate. The following table presents the data on the applications evaluated at this meeting of the IRG.

| PEER REVIEW PANEL (FOA #) | NUMBER RECEIVED FOR REVIEW * | NUMBER TRIAGED | NUMBER FULL REVIEWS | NUMBER REFERRED TO SECONDARY REVIEW ** | RANGE OF SCORES |
|---|------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|--|-----------------|
| Intimate Partner Violence (07002) | 6 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 160-238 |
| Youth Violence (07003) | 18 | 8 | 10 | 10 | 144-252 |
| Abusive Head Trauma (07004) | 4 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 176-376 |
| Bullying and Sexual Violence Prevention (07005) | 5 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 158-413 |
| Traumatic Injury Biomechanics Research (07006) | 26 | 9 | 17 | 15 | 168-361 |
| Fall Prevention "Stepping On" (07007) | 3 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 148-270 |
| Traumatic Brain Injury (07008) | 4 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 152-438 |
| TOTALS | 66 | 17 | 49 | 47 | |

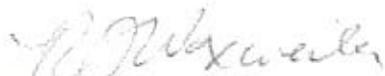
* Excludes 2 Nonresponsive applications

** All applications with scores below 351 were referred to secondary review

ADJOURN MEETING

Dr. Hawkins thanked the committee members for their participation, especially given the cumbersome recusal process. He noted that the panel review sessions in which he had participated had gone very smoothly, and that the system of voting via conference call was generally a good one. He expressed his hope that they could all meet in person eventually. Dr. Waxweiler added his gratitude on behalf of CDC. With no further business posed, Dr. Hawkins adjourned the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the foregoing summary is accurate and complete.



 Rick Waxweiler, Ph.D.
 NCIPC