

IBC Meeting Minutes

April 22, 2024

1:00 – 2:00 pm Southern Writers Room - ZOOM

I. Call to Order – 1:02 PM

II. Roll Call:

Present: Davy Giles, Ben Stein, Michael Dabney, Bradley Harris, Bob Jackson, Jose Barbosa, Rardy Spratt

Absent: Darrell McGraw, Peggy Kovack, Jennifer Cunningham, Pam Riggs-Gelasco

Ex officio: Cheryl Murphy, Alexa McClellan

III. Approval of March 2024 Minutes

1. Tabled due to lack of quorum (no community member present).

IV. Old Business

1. Updates on individuals who should be submitting registrations.

a) Giles to follow up:

1. Dr. Sean Richards/ Dr. Steve Symes – Toxicology
2. Dr. Leasi Francesca
3. Dr. DeAnna Beasley - Ecology course and status on Ant colonies
4. Dr. Rich Walker – incoming fisheries biologist. Wide-range of experience.

b) Murphy to follow up:

1. Cadaver lab – Murphy gave an update saying that all materials in the lab arrive already fixed. She is working with them to submit a registration form.
2. Dr. Wang Yong Yang

2. Outstanding revisions

- a) Dr. Jejal Bathi – IBC #24-02 Murphy to reach out.
- b) Dr. Barbosa – IBC #24-01 Dr. Barbosa said that they would be submitted by next week.

3. CITI IBC Member Training Course Reminders (6 members expired)

- a) Barbosa, Spratt, Jackson, Riggs-Gelasco, Cunningham, McGraw

4. Lab inspections

- a) Dr. Ferdoush Lab Inspection completed 04/12/2024
- b) Dr. Giles Lab inspection completed 04/18/2024

- c) Dr. Keenan Dungey lab inspection due May 31. ORI to schedule; include Michael Dabney on inspection team

5. **Transportation of biohazardous materials subcommittee meeting**

- a) Volunteers: Dabney, Jackson, Giles, Spratt. Will schedule meeting to discuss SOP next week.

V. **New Business**

1. **Updated NIH Guidelines**

- a) Giles gave an overview of GDMO research and discussed the need for an *Ad hoc* GDMO expert and the appointment of a Biosafety Officer if our campus undertakes this sort of research. The committee collectively did not know of any faculty currently working with or planning to work with GDMOs.
- b) ORI will spearhead working on revised IBC registration form and IBC website.

2. **IBC Membership**

- a) As this will be Dr. Stein's last meeting, the committee discussed possible additions to the IBC membership. Suggestions included a full-time GDMO expert from outside UTC (possibly UTK), a member of HHP, a member from Health Sciences/Nursing, or possibly Dr. Caitlin Crews-Stowe specifically.
- b) Dr. Murphy and Dr. Giles will meet to discuss membership further, including identification of those members who wish to roll off the committee at the end of their 3-year term, and will bring suggestions to the committee after consideration.

VI. **Next Meeting** – May 20th (May 27 is Memorial Day).

VII. **Adjournment** – 1:29 PM