

## ICR Governing Board Meeting

March 12, 2021 12:00 – 1:00 pm

### Virtual Meeting

<https://csupueblo.zoom.us/j/510564566>

**ATTENDEES:** Cinnamon Bidwell, Chad Kinney, Nicole Quartiero, Jon Reuter, Sal Pace, Malik Hasan, Sue Sisley, John Lord

### Meeting Minutes:

- I. Welcome (12:00-12:03pm) Dr. Bidwell
  - i. Dr. Bidwell thanked the group for their efforts in reaching out on behalf of the ICR. These efforts have led to many exciting and positive meetings and momentum since the last meeting.
  - ii. The appropriation has been approved by the JBC to reinstate the ICR budget to \$1.8M along with authorization to roll \$250k forward next fiscal year. Special thanks to Chad for his effort.
  - iii. Dr. Hasan gave thanks to Sal for his role in facilitating the meetings and the behind the scenes work to get here.
- II. Approve minutes from 02/12/2021 (12:03-12:05pm) Dr. Bidwell
  - i. A quorum was not present and therefore, there was not a motion to approve/deny the February 2021 minutes.
- III. Congratulations and appreciation to Jon Reuter (12:05-12:10) Dr. Bidwell
  - i. This role will help align the efforts of the COE and the ICR. Dr. Reuter will be providing updates at future meetings.
- IV. RFA Special Meeting in April (12:10pm-12:15pm) Nicole Quartiero
  - a. Discuss availability and preferred meeting date to hold a special meeting to discuss the ICR Grant Proposals recommended for funding to fulfill the Board's role in the second level of review process
    - i. Nicole will send out a survey to gauge availability.
- V. FY22 Budget (12:15-12:40) Dr. Kinney
  - a. ICR Staff Update – Nicole Quartiero
    - i. Nicole will be leaving her full-time position at CSU Pueblo and the ICR in April 2021.
  - b. \$1 Million Budget
    - i. Will not be discussed as the JBC has approved \$1.8M for FY22
  - c. \$1.8 Million Budget
    - i. Dr. Kinney presented the proposed FY22 Budget. Highlights include increase in staff salary and fringe benefits such as: increase in Dr. Kinney's effort to full time; replacement of Nicole (who was 0.5 FTE with a 1.0 FTE position); and fully funding Office Manager Position.
    - ii. Greenhouse – Dr. Kinney gave a historical context of this project. Dr. Reuter asked to tie the greenhouse approval to the execution of the MOU. Dr. Hasan and Mr. Lord advise against the greenhouse for educating students on cannabis production based on their experiences. Dr. Bidwell asked about the purpose to which Dr. Kinney shared research and education. Dr. Sisley asked to follow a model that Florida did where they partnered with industry to pay for the remaining costs.
    - iii. Dr. Hasan is supportive of completing the project. Mr. Pace said the alternate to not losing on the investment is selling component parts and recouping some of the cost. Dr. Bidwell asked what the benefit of completing it is. Dr. Kinney shared it related to the Senior Scientists' research as well as other research on campus. Dr. Bidwell asked if the greenhouse could support external research efforts and potential funding, to which Dr. Kinney responded that this is possible.

- iv. Dr. Kinney presented an overview on the journal expenses and that it was recently indexed with PubMed and in the process of being indexed with two other major publication search engines. Mr. Pace asked if Dr. Kinney thought the JCR could be cost neutral in the future. Dr. Kinney responded that this would require a fundamental change. Dr. Hasan shared that revenue from advertisements from industry could be a source of revenue. Dr. Kinney that this model could be explored at the next contract negotiation (2024). Dr. Bidwell shared that it will be worth for exploring alternative financial models should be done. Dr. Kinney shared that the current level of commitment decreases at the end of 2022 and will only be for the EiC and the publication costs of a set number of manuscripts for two years
- v. With respect to research projects Dr. Bidwell asked for clarifications on how the number of projects was calculated and that these projects are from the FY21 RFA. Dr. Kinney shared that this is somewhat dependent on the details of the projects and their duration. Dr. Bidwell shared that she feels that it is important to hold an RFA every year or every other year. Mr. Pace commented that the ICR should try and do as much as possible to cement the ICR as a preeminent research intuition, and it is likely that we won't be able to fund all of the important research that needs to be funded.
- vi. The draft budget will be distributed to the Board for further review along with a deadline for approval by the Board. Next steps would be to determine if any adjustments need to be made with a goal of finalizing at the April 2021 meeting.
- vii. Budget subcommittee to meet to discuss the budget in greater detail and provide the full Board with their recommendations.

VI. State updates (12:45-12:55) Dr. Bidwell and Dr. Kinney

a. FY 22 appropriation – JBC

- i. The JBC voted to approve reinstatement of the \$1.8M annual ICR budget along with an automatic \$250k roll forward for research.

b. Potency Research Discussions

- i. Some meetings have been held thus far with stakeholders interested in this issue. Emphasized the need for unbiased research and the role the ICR can play in that process.

VII. Public Comment (12:55-1:00pm)

VIII. Adjourn