

Research Planning Committee Meeting
Wednesday, June 29, 2016
2:15 p.m.
Doisy Research Center, 9th Floor Conference Room
Minutes

Members Present:

Enrico Di Cera, M.D., Chair
Daniel Hoft, M.D., Ph.D.
Jackie Kornbluth, Ph.D.
Michael Rauchman, M.D.
John Tavis, Ph.D.
Joel Eissenberg, Ph.D., *ex officio*
Paul Hauptman, M.D., *ex officio*
Denise Johnson, *ex officio*
John Long, D.V.M., *ex officio*

Members Not Present:

Thomas Burris, Ph.D.
Dale Dorsett, Ph.D.
John Edwards, M.D., Ph.D.
Joyce Koenig, M.D.
Reigh-Yi Lin, Ph.D.
Raymond Tait, Ph.D., *ex officio*
William Wold, Ph.D., *ex officio*

Guest:

Tami Hanks

Enrico Di Cera, M.D., chair, called the meeting of the Research Planning Committee (RPC) of the Saint Louis University School of Medicine to order at 2:15 p.m. on Wednesday, June 29, 2016, in the Doisy Research Center, 9th Floor Conference Room.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the May 25, 2016, meeting were approved as submitted.

1. RESEARCH ELECTRONIC DATA CAPTURE (REDCap)

Tami Hanks, REDCap product manager, Research Technology Group, attended the meeting at the request of Michael Rauchman, M.D., to discuss REDCap (Research Electronic Data Capture). REDCap is a mature, secure web application for building and managing online surveys and databases. While REDCap can be used to collect virtually any type of data, it is specifically geared to support data capture for research studies. The REDCap Consortium is composed of 1,950 active institutional partners in 105 countries who utilize and support REDCap in various ways. The REDCap application allows users to build and manage online surveys and databases quickly and securely.

Tami offered to meet with PIs individually or in a group setting to discuss more specific needs.

Follow Up: At the request of the RPC, Tami reported that data from Epic can be imported into REDCap. The website to request work like that to be completed is: <http://ehr.slucare.edu/index.php?page=contact-us-3>

2. PRESIDENT'S RESEARCH FUND

Dr. Di Cera initiated a discussion on the PRF03 application. In PRF Cycle 13, the School of Medicine faculty could apply for PRF funding for an existing R01 or U01 application, new or renewal that was scored but not funded by the NIH during 2015. Up to \$50,000 could be requested for this award. Seven of the 30 Cycle 13 applications were PRF03s, and five of the nine applications funded were PRF03s. If there is a PRF Cycle 14, it was suggested that the PRF03 reviews be separated from the PRF01 and PRF02 reviews, and be linked to the NIH review cycles (June, October and February). It was suggested that Ken Olliff, the new vice president for research, be invited to a RPC meeting to discuss the PRF. It was agreed that a policy needed to be drafted for handling future PRF03 applications.

School of Medicine outcome measurement results from PRF Cycles 1 -11 were distributed prior to the meeting. From the \$2.7 million dollars in PRF awards, the School of Medicine faculty generated \$24.2 in extramural funding. A discussion took place on how the data was collected and how our return compares to other universities.

3. PAST INITIATIVES OF THE RPC

Dr. Di Cera revisited the supplemental salary plan proposed by the RPC in FY 2013 for scientists who recover 50 percent or more of their salary from extramural funding. The proposal involves a rebate to the investigator of 50 percent of recoveries over that threshold. The funds can be directed to a "2-fund" (as is the current practice) or at the discretion of the investigator, be directed as supplemental pay. Dr. Di Cera reported that this plan had been approved by the RPC, the Executive Committee of the Faculty of the School of Medicine, Father Biondi and the Board of Trustees, but never implemented. After a lengthy discussion, Denise Johnson was requested to obtain copies of the minutes of the Executive Committee of the Faculty that reported on this plan's approval.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Johnson
Director, Planning and Operations