BREAST CANCER RESEARCH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

February 5, 1999 Upham Hotel, Santa Barbara

9:00 – 9:30 Continental Breakfast

9:30-9:40 I. Call to Order and Introductions

B. Erwin

Guest: Tammy Tengs, Sc.D.

Council Members Present: Barbara Brenner, Bob Erwin, Bobby Head, Mary Ann Jordan, Liana Lianov, Susan Love, Judith Luce, Maria Pellegrini, Michelle Rakoff, Kevin Scanlon, Suzette Wright

BCRP Staff: Mhel Kavanaugh-Lynch, Larry Gruder, Walter Price, Katie McKenzie, Larry Fitzgerald, Brenda Dixon-Coby, Garland Giles, Mary Kreger

Not Present: Shelley Adler, Floretta Chisom, Arlene Draper, Holly Mitchell, Anne Wallace

9:40 – 9:50 II. Approval of 09/25/98 Minutes (Attachment 1)

B. Erwin

Correction: Judith Luce was not present. Minutes approved

9:50 – 12:00 III. Presentation by Tammy Tengs, Sc.D. and Discussion (Attachment 2)

There were questions on how the Council can utilize Tengs theories on better outcomes for the life expectancy of BC patients. Council debated on how to attract the best scientists/researchers to conduct research on BC, also on giving grants to post-docs who have radical/cutting edge research ideas.

12:00 – 1:00 LUNCH

1:00-1:30 IV. Director's Report

M. Kavanaugh-Lynch

A. Cycle V Progress (Attachment 3)
Applications were due 1/14. Innovation treatment was good.
Pathogenesis had a healthy response. New Treatment was not good.
Early detection continues to decline in applications.

Council members are allowed to attend review committees. Final calendar of review committee dates was distributed. All meetings are taking place in March and April. Next meeting is May 20-22 at 6pm at the Waterfront Hotel in Oakland.

B. 1999-2000 Budget (*Attachment 4*) BCRP will receive \$17.3M. \$800K comes from the tax check-off program. \$16.7 from tobacco tax.

Due to the increase in wholesale prices of cigarettes and Prop 10, this will decrease the amount of monies we'll receive.

C. SRI Audit (Attachment 5)

It was brought to our attention that our grant money was not be utilized legally. An audit was conducted and the allegation was correct. The results are that their controls will be tightened up and their scientific reports will be read over by an outside investigator.

Current situation. Another investigator has stated recently that they are not being treated fairly at SRI. The situation as a result of the audit is not over.. Whether BCRP awards SRI grants in the future is questionable.

D. 1998 Annual Report (Attachment 6)

The report was released to the Council in draft form. Council had minimal comments or editing requests.

Idea was brought up to distribute some at the San Antonio Conference. Send to private industry and other research institutions. Use more as PR material. Another suggestion was a postcard of the availability of the annual report with the web page information.

E. BCRP Web Page (Attachment 7)

Information provided on the webpage was described in detail.

E. 2nd World Conference on Breast Cancer Advocacy (Attachment 8)

Mhel Kavanaugh-Lynchs' abstract was accepted for presentation at the conference. The paper is representing the USA.

V. Old Business

1:30-2:00

A. Proposal from Council Funding Decision Process Committee and W. Price Discussion (*Attachment 9*)

Needs to be as objective and rational as possible. Thoughts were expressed on abstract reviews being submitted via the Web.

CRC/SocioCultural – Adler (Sci), Lianov, Rakoff (Adv)

Pathogenesis – Scanlon (Sci-Inc), Luce (Sci), Draper (Adv), Mitchell (Adv)

Basic Breast – Jordan (Sci), Wright (Adv), Wallace (Sci)

Etiology Prevention – Erwin (Ind), Head (Sci), Chisom (Adv)

Innovative Treatments – Love (Sci), Pellegrini (Sci), Brenner (Adv)

MOTION: Wright: 2^{nd} - Luce. This document is now the working model for the Council Funding Decision Process based on the change in the one sentence.

B. Update from 1999 Symposium Committee and Discussion (Attachment 10)

K. McKenzie

Suggestion: 1.5 day meeting. First day – technical (researchers could network. Different types of moderating poster sessions was discussed. Movie (Rachels Daughters), cultural event possibilities. Elongate poster sessions. Keynote speaker at luncheon. Breakout sessions after lunch would be more lay oriented.

2:00-2:30

Keynote address speaker suggestions: Hillary Clinton. Alternatives were listed. New suggestion – Paul McCartney, Mia Angelou.

2:30-4:00 VI. New Business

- A. Allocation of Tax Check-Off Funds (*Attachment 11*) What should we do with \$726,000? Attract submissions for this money. Good PR vehicle.
- B. Suggested Actions following Tammy Tengs' Presentation Council felt the presentation was worth while. What Tengs was proposing we try to do would be really hard to accomplish.
- C. Preliminary Discussion of Cycle VI Priorities (*Attachment 12*) Did not discuss today. Ran out of time. Will be finalizing Cycle VI in June meeting.
- D. Discussion of Upcoming Council Appointments (*Attachment 13*) Letters requesting nominations will be mailed in March, 1999. Council wants more ethnic, geographic and gender diversity. Adler may now of scientists.

4:00-4:15 VII. Announcements

Benefit on May 21 will be taking place. 8pm in SF. Barbara Brenner has details. Film documentary.

MKL & Susan Shinagawa are co-chairing a committee on a BC treatment prescreening program.

Had a meeting with Jackie Spear (with Andrea Martin). Spear intends to pass bill on universal treatment on BC as a result of meeting with MKL & Martin.

4:15 – 4:30 VII. Review of Council Calendar (Attachment 14)

Next Meeting 5/20/99 – 5/22/99 in Oakland

Teleconferences will be a scheduled 2 weeks before Study Section for Council to discuss grants to be reviewed.

4:30 Adjournment

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The meeting was adjourned at 4:25pm.

BREAST CANCER RESEARCH COUNCIL MEETING ATTACHMENTS TO AGENDA February 5, 1999

- 1. Minutes of 12/2/98 Council Meeting
- 2. Planning for Serendipity: A New Strategy to Prosper from Health Research
- Cycle V Review Committee Calendar and Summary of Applications Received (Confidential)
- 4. Excerpts from Governor's Budget 1999-2000
- 5. Audit Report: Audit of Grants to SRI International)
- 6. Draft 1998 Annual Report
- 7. Excerpts from BCRP Web Page
- 8. Conference Description and Paper Accepted for Presentation
- 9. Committee Proposal: BCRC Role in Grant Application Review
- 10. Proposed Symposium Schedule
- 11. Tax Check-Off Funds
- 12. Possible RFA Topic and Cycle V Call for Applications
- 13. Council Openings as of 7/1/99 and Council appointment procedure
- 14. 1998-1999 Schedule