

# Institutional Review Board Minutes

## January 20, 2011

### **I. Call to Order:**

Meeting was called to order at 9:07 A.M.

### **Members present: (Scientific/ Non-scientific)**

**In Person:** Dr. Frank Hammonds, Dr. Tim Buckner

**Via V-Tel:** Dr. Glenda Avery, Dr. Isabelle Warren, Dr. Emma Peden,  
Dr. Richard Cardarola, and Dr. Dennis Self, Dr. Eddie Clark

**Absent with Notice:** Dr. Dianne Barron, Dr. Shari Hoppin, Mr. Chase Taylor, Dr. Brad Willis (no longer serving on board), Dr. Janet McNellis

**Absent from technical difficulties:** Dr. Robert Abbey

**Absent without notice:** N/A

### **II. Approval of the minutes**

Dr. Warren made a motion to approve the minutes with recommended changes.

Dr. Hammonds seconded the motion and the motion was passed with unanimous approval.

### **III. Chair Comments on IRB Productivity**

Since November 18<sup>th</sup>, the IRB received a total of 3 applications for review. Two were submitted by faculty, and one was cooperation between a student and a faculty. One of the applications was exempt, one was a continuation, and one required a full review.

### **IV. Review of IRB Policies and Procedures**

The IRB members discussed some of the issues and recommended changes to the IRB Policies and Procedures, but decided to take some more time to review the manual and bring any other recommended changes to the next meeting.

### **V. Frank Hammonds- Future Proposals**

Dr. Hammonds took some time to bring attention to some of his students' research topics that will later come in for approval seeking any advice for changes now, so that the review process will be easier when they do come in. He has 2 different classes that focus on: 1) behavior analysis, 2) behavior modification projects. He had three examples of studies that change the behavior of the researcher: 1) Study more/ use the internet less, 2) Train their pet to do something, and 3) researcher potty training her son. He also provided ten examples of survey based research proposals: 1) Student has a Schizophrenic uncle. He wants to work with him on intelligence tests and cognitive exercises to try to improve his scores. 2) Religious and Political views; compare the two different views and see what each thinks to different questions in the survey. 3) ADHD and binge drinking 4) Father/son relationships; emotional exchange as son was growing up and how the son acts later in life with people and relationships. 5) Observation of domestic violence and how it affects college performance and relationships. 6) People's attitude toward inter-racial relationships 7) The affects later in life of having been in foster care. 8) Procrastination and the factors that induce it; behavior modification to help reduce/improve it. 9) Survey on the use of sarcasm in relationships 10) The relationship between OCD and ones' GPA and study habits. IRB members made some upfront suggestions to the proposals.

## **VI. Review of Research Proposals**

### *A. First study (researcher 1)*

The IRB members discussed some of the issues and concerns related to the study and provided recommended changes to the study.

- 1). The starting date of this study still needs to be revised. Not approved as of 1/15.
- 2). The DeVry application is included here, but not their IRB's approval. We need a copy of the approval letter.
- 3). The risks section does not include what the board requested; that is, no explanation of the method of confidentiality or that the material will be presented or published using unattributed quotes. Some of this is in the informed consent, but not in the "risks of participation" section.
- 4). The invitation letter still reads "follow-up conversation may be required." We asked that it be changed to "requested."

Once these are made, the application will be considered for approval.

## **VII. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 10: 13 A.M.