

Cannabis Research Review Board

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 11, 2024, 9:00am - 11:00am

This meeting was held in person and virtually.

This meeting was recorded. An audio copy of this recording can be found on the Utah Public Notice Website (<https://www.utah.gov/pmnl/>).

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Attendees

Board members attending: Matthew McIlff, MD; Michael Moss, MD; Misty Smith, PHD; Russell Cashin, PhD; Melissa Chan, MD; and Taylor Kelley, MD.

DHHS/UDAF staff attending: Richard Oborn, Abigail Hodgson, Sarah Dash, Alyssa Smailes, Ashley Moretz, Brenda Holt, Dr. Michelle Hofmann, Lauren Heath, Trevor Brown, and Trevor Eckhoff

Agenda

1. Welcome

Dr. McIlff acknowledged that there was a quorum so the meeting could proceed at approximately 9:13am.

2. Introduction of new board member

Dr. McIlff introduced the new board member, Dr. Taylor Kelley, to the board members. Other board members and Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) staff introduced themselves to Dr. Kelley.

3. Approval of April 2024 minutes

Dr. McIlff asked the board if there were any proposed changes to the April 2024 minutes by the board. There were no changes proposed. Dr. Smith motioned to approve the minutes

and Dr. Cashin seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to approve the [April 2024 minutes](#).

Dr. McIlff also led a discussion with board members on how to present research ideas and suggestions to the University of Utah Center for Medical Cannabis Research.

4. DHHS updates - new EVS system

Mr. Oborn from DHHS gave an update to board members on the new software program that the state will be using for the Electronic Verification System (EVS). The new system should go live in early August of 2024. He also discussed the recent changes and discussions on the federal drug reclassification of cannabis.

5. ADR safety DDI review

Dr. Moss discussed the [Medical Cannabis Adverse Drug Reactions \(ADR\), Drug-Drug Interactions \(DDI\), and safety document](#). He asked for edit suggestions for board members on the document and board members discussed ways to disseminate the information to patients, researchers, and medical providers. Dr. Moss will update the document with the suggestions provided and send to stakeholders.

6. Board transition

Dr. McIlff started a discussion on the change in board leadership. Dr. Moss was nominated for Board Chair and Dr. Cashin was nominated as Vice Chair.

The board took the following action on this agenda item:

- Vote: Mike Moss as Board Chair and Dr. Cashin as Vice Chair
 - Motioned: Dr. Smith
 - 2nd: Dr. Kelley
 - Board votes:
 - Dr. Matthew McIlff: Yea
 - Dr. Michael Moss: Yea
 - Dr. Misty Smith: Yea
 - Dr. Russell Cashin: Yea
 - Dr. Melissa Chan: Yea
 - Dr. Taylor Kelley: Yea

7. Discuss guidance review schedule

Ms. Dash gave an update on the CRRB guidance document review schedule. Board members as board staff discussed when guidance documents will be reviewed over the next year.

8. Research and education updates

Ms. Dash also gave updates on CMC education and outreach efforts including the quarterly newsletter and conferences that board leadership and staff will be attending. Dr. Kelley also gave updates on the Sublime Study.

9. Board comment

There were no additional comments made by board members.

10. Public comment

The following comments were made by members of the public:

- Valerie Ahanonu from the University of Utah Center for Medical Cannabis research commented that the U of U will be taking over the board and requested that some time on the docket on an upcoming meeting be dedicated to considering what would be valuable during transition as well as the interest of board members to continue their involvement as well as their capacity they want to be involved in. Finally, she gave an update on a seminar that the center will be leading.

11. Adjourn

Dr. Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting and Dr. Cashin seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to end the meeting, and the meeting ended at approximately 10:31am.