Louisiana Cancer Research Center Board of Directors Meeting A Hybrid Meeting was held On June 30, 2022, 3pm

The following members of the Board of Directors were in attendance:

- Dr. Richard DiCarlo, Interim Dean -School of Medicine, LSUHSC, Chairman
- Dr. Lee Hamm, Senior Vice President & Dean-School of Medicine, TUHSC, Vice-Chairman (in-person)
- Ms. Barbara Goodson, Deputy Commissioner of Administration, Secretary/Treasurer (in-person)
- Mr. Arthur Cooper, Senior Director, Special Projects, Louisiana Economic Development
- Dr. Gene D'Amour, Special Assistant to the President, Xavier University (in-person)
- Mr. Walter Leger, Jr, Senior Partner, Leger & Shaw Attorneys and Counselors
- Mr. Darren Mire, Member, Board of Regents; Director of Valuation, Orleans Parish Assessor's Office (in-person)
- Ms. Pamela Ryan (in-person)
- Dr. Oliver Sartor, Medical Director, Tulane Cancer Center, Assistant Dean for Oncology, TUHSC
- Dr. Leonardo Seoane, Senior Vice President, and Chief Academic Officer, Ochsner Health
- **Dr. John Stewart**, Center Director of the LSU Health New Orleans/LCMC Health Cancer Center (inperson)
- Ms. Carroll Suggs (in-person)

Also present were:

- Mr. Sven Davisson, Chief Administrative Officer, LCRC
- Ms. Deborah Reeder, Chief Financial Officer, LCRC
- Mr. Paige Sensenbrenner, Legal Counsel, LCRC
- Mr. Ryan Graffagnini, Controller, LCRC
- Dr. Prescott Deininger, Director, Tulane Cancer Center (in-person)
- Dr. John Cole, Director of Clinical Cancer Research, Ochsner Health System
- Dr. Ed Trapido, Chair, TFL Steering Committee
- Dr. Patrice Delafontaine, Executive Dean, TUHSC
- Ms. Stephanie Wiebke, Business Manager, Xavier University
- Ms. Keadren Green, Business Manager, Tulane Cancer Center
- Ms. Barbara Landrum, Business Manager, LSUHSC Cancer Center
- Ms. Shelina Davis, CEO, Louisiana Public Health Institute
- Dr. Michael Celestin, Director, Louisiana Tobacco Control Initiative (in-person)
- Dr. Earl Benjamin-Robinson, Director, Tobacco Free Living
- Ms. Ellen Palmintier, TU, Director, State & Federal Relations
- Dr. DiCarlo called the meeting to order. The roll was called and there was a quorum.
- Dr. DiCarlo requested approval of the minutes of the May 26, 2022, Board meeting.

A motion was made by **Dr. D'Amour** and seconded by **Mrs. Goodson** RESOLVED, with all in favor, to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2022, Board meeting.

Dr. DiCarlo called for the Finance Report.

Mr. Graffagnini summarized the FY23 budget request. He noted the Central Administration and TFL budgets, as well as some research supplemental budget requests have been deferred. Supplemental budget requests tied to existing commitments for LSU and Tulane are included.

The Finance Committee recommended the FY23 budgets for approval as follows:

LCRC's total budget request to date is \$9,144,171 allocated as follows:

Cancer Research component's total request of \$8,144,172 with \$5,181,544 funded by the tobacco tax appropriations, \$2,962,628 funded with funds held in reserve.

TCI component's total request of \$1,000,000 with \$750,000 funded by the tobacco tax appropriation and \$250,000 funded with funds held in reserve.

A motion was made by **Dr. Stewart** and seconded by **Mrs. Goodson**. RESOLVED, with all in favor, to approve Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budgets, goals, objectives, and indicators, as presented.

Ms. Reeder reminded the Board that LCRC contracts with LSUHSC's IT department for IT services. The contract is up for renewal. She added there is only a slight increase in the total contract amount, which is due to them now providing LCRC's backup services. An outside company previously provided this service. The total contract amount is \$149,893.78.

A motion was made by **Dr. D'Amour** and seconded by **Mrs. Suggs**. RESOLVED, with all in favor, to approve the IT service contract with LSUHSC, as presented, for the total amount of \$149,893.78.

Dr. DiCarlo called for the old business.

Mr. Davisson reported Dr. Ramos' first day as LCRC's CEO and Director will be August 1st. He reminded everyone there will be a media event to welcome Dr. Ramos on July 26th at 11am (political luminaries and statewide healthcare leaders) and a reception at 4pm (business and community leaders). Board Members were asked to provide their additions to the guest list. Mr. Davisson summarized the agenda of events for the day.

Mr. Cooper reported his office is working with the state's regional economic development groups to plan a statewide tour for Dr. Ramos. The groups are working on gathering regional stakeholders, hospitals, universities, and economic development groups to meet and allow Dr. Ramos to visit their facilities.

Dr. DiCarlo called for any new business. There was none.

A motion was made by **Dr. D'Amour** and seconded by **Mrs. Goodson**. RESOLVED, with all in favor, to move into the Executive Session.

The meeting reconvened.

A motion was made by **Mrs. Suggs** and seconded by **Dr. D'Amour**. RESOLVED, with all in favor, to approve the Employment Agreement, as written, for Dr. Joe W. Ramos with authority given to Sven Davisson to present the agreement to Dr. Ramos for signature.

With no further discussion or business, the meeting adjourned.

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