

Louisiana Cancer Research Center
Board of Directors Meeting
A Special Call meeting was held.
On October 12, 2023, at 2pm

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
Ms. Barbara Goodson, Deputy Commissioner of Administration, Secretary/Treasurer
Mr. Arthur Cooper, Senior Director, Special Projects, Louisiana Economic Development
Dr. Gene D'Amour, Special Assistant to the President, Xavier University
Dr. Patrice Delafontaine, Executive Dean, TUHSC
Mr. Darren Mire, Member, Board of Regents; Director of Valuation, Orleans Parish Assessor's Office
Dr. Brian Moore, Director, Ochsner Cancer Institute
Dr. Valentine Nfonsam, Department Head for Surgery - School of Medicine, LSUHSC
Mr. Walter Leger, Jr., Senior Partner, Leger & Shaw Attorneys and Counselors
Ms. Carroll Suggs
Ms. Pamela Ryan

The following members of the Board of Directors were not present:

Mr. Paige Sensenbrenner

Also present were:

Dr. Joe W. Ramos, Director & Chief Executive Officer, LCRC
Mr. Sven Davisson, Chief Administrative Officer, LCRC

Dr. DiCarlo called the meeting to order. The roll was called and there was a quorum. He requested the board members look over the CEA to review the language and provide input. He opened the table to questions

Dr. DiCarlo gave an update on where the CEA is and committee meetings held for input. He requested the board members look over the CEA to review the language and provide input, and to hopefully provide approval. He then opened the table to discussion/questions.

Mr. Davisson described the process of negotiating the current version of the CEA and the approval process required.

Dr. D'Amour raised a concern over the 60-day length of the contract.

Ms. Goodson gave reassurance that the length was standard for this kind of contract. She also advised that the CEA is a vital step in gaining NCI designation and felt it was urgent to move.

Ms. Suggs inquired if the CEA would affect the length of time to attain NCI designation.

Dr. Ramos advised the timeline would be around 6-7 years, and that having the alignment the CEA would likely hasten the NCI designation process.

Ms. Goodson asked when the timing would be best to promote the CEA to the public. Dr. Ramos advised that it could be conveyed to the EAB but he was unsure of the timing for interested parties outside of that.

Dr. Hamm asked for clarification on the messaging to the public as to why this change is being made.

Ms. Goodson advised that this change would realign the research to better support NCI application.

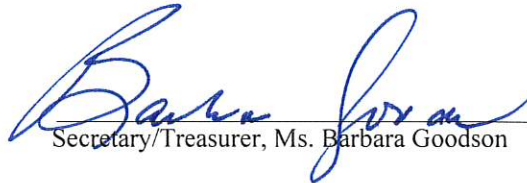
Dr. DiCarlo pointed out the significance of aligning two institutions along with LCMC with LCRC to serve the public.

Dr. Nfonsam interjected that the alignment of these institutions service everyone in the state and will create better cancer care for Louisiana.

A motion was made by **Ms. Suggs** and seconded by **Ms. Goodson**.
RESOLVED, with all in favor, to approve the CEA.

Dr. DiCarlo called for any additional business pertaining to the Special Call Meeting. There was none.

With no further discussion or business, the meeting adjourned.


Secretary/Treasurer, Ms. Barbara Goodson