**Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee**

September 7, 2021 – 4:00 p.m. – In-Person at Lindale Campus & Zoom

**Committee Members Present:** Louisa Schmid, PhD, DVM; Idalia Trent, PhD; Cliff Boucher PhD; Steven Llyod, Kristi Freislinger, Benjamin Rhodes, Kerry Sullivan

**Voting Members not Present**: Bryan Ramsey, DVM;

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| **Agenda Item** | **Discussion Notes / Activities** | **Actions / Direction** |
| Meeting opened  in-person and on Zoom. | -Dr. Trent asked if we have quorum. Established everyone’s attendance.  - Also confirmed if the minutes were being taken.  -All participants responded to Dr. Trent’s welcome and her queries throughout the meeting. | Quorum present.  Committee can proceed with agenda. |
| Motion to approve minutes from March 2021. | -Dr. Trent made motion to approve minutes.  -Dr. Schmid made 1st motion to approve.  -Jennifer made 2nd motion to approve.  -Dr. Trent then opened for a discussion for any corrections regarding the minutes from March 2021.  -No one had any corrections.  -Voted to approve minutes. | -All agreed to approve the Minutes as written from March 2021 with no corrections needed. |
| Animals used in Program reported from USDA recommendation | -Recommendation from USDA to report #dogs and #cats used in program on annual USDA report. -After short discussion the committee agreed to include these numbers even though animals are on-site for less than 8 hours and TJC does not own the animals. (shelter animals) | Dr. Schmid will report the number of dogs and cats provided veterinary care on the USDA report and add the comments she mentioned. |
| Facilities inspection for this meeting | -A sub-committee will conduct the inspection after this meeting today  -Dr. Boucher reads draft of letter that will be signed by Dr. Sheppard, Dr. Boucher, and Mark Gartman, that addresses the floor issues from past to present. The statement allows IACUC to inspect and agree with the letter and find that the deficiencies have been addressed to IACUC standards.  -As long as the floor is acceptable to IACUC then we can release Stonehart.  -IACUC should inspect the floor to see if it meets the standards.  -TJC is coming to a point where Stonehart is not obligated to come in to fix the future deficiencies.  -Dr. Trent asks if this is a water raising issue?  -Dr. Boucher – it is possible that it could be a moisture water wicking issue that’s causing a separation from concrete.  -Stonehart has tried to put down a barrier to address that issue. But that wasn’t successful since another bubble has formed. No hole but lifting.  -Dr. Schmid mentions that is seems like there is an air rather than liquid bubble.  -Dr. Trent asks if there is a standard that we have to meet?  -Dr. Boucher mentions that we need to meet the standard for IACUC who deemed the floor having deficiencies and not meeting their standards.  -Dr. Schmid-CVTEA terms are vague Impermeable and sanitizable are their standards and the floor meets that. Concerns for the future if floor fails.  Dr. Boucher: - Another company will be hired on as-needed basis.  -If IACUC inspects it today and says that it is sufficiently impermeable and sufficiently cleanable, then we will move forward. | -Facility inspection will be done by sub-committee after this meeting. |
| Adjournment | -No other issues to be discussed.  -Motion to close (yes)  -2nd (yes)  -Vote: unanimous | A letter to the IO will be composed and sent regarding today’s IACUC meeting. |

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Chairperson of the IACUC Scribe  
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