Biosafety Committee Meeting

Thursday, May 8, 2025 at 7:00 PM
Remote Participation Only

Agenda

Pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2025, the meeting and public hearing will be conducted with remote opportunities for participation. Remote participation and access methods include:

ACCESS INFORMATION:

A. This meeting will be held on May 8, 2025 at 7:00PM. Location: Remote Participation Only

B. The Public may join the virtual meeting online: https://watertown-ma.zoom.us/j/88536131731?pwd=bEU1d3JLa0JrU25ZTXpTdUpBUEI5UT09

C. Public may join the virtual meeting audio only by phone: (877) 853-5257 or (888) 475-4499 (Toll Free) and enter Webinar ID: 885 3613 1731

D. Public may comment through email: amyers@watertown-ma.gov

E. Please Visit the Biosafety Committee Website here: https://www.watertown-ma.gov/398/Bio-Safety-Committee-Biotechnology

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1. Call to Order
2. Acceptance of Minutes
   A. Approval of draft minutes of April 3, 2025
3. Public Comment
4. Permit recommended to BOH
   A. Zipcode Bio – 155 Arlington Street
5. Amendment recommended to BOH
   A. Parallel Biosystems – 200 Dexter Avenue #140 & #120
6. Additional Business
   A. Discussion for documentation and submission of a vivarium on the application process.
   B. Discussion related to urine samples and biosafety classification.
7. Items that could not be anticipated before meeting
8. Future Meetings
9. Adjourn

BIOSAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES
The Watertown BioSafety Committee has scheduled a REMOTE ZOOM meeting on Thursday April 3, 2025 at 7:00 pm

PRESENT: Brad Parsons, Mia Lieberman, Tim Maguire, Ralph Mele, Deb McEwan, Maureen Foley, Clerk,

In attendance: Emily Dailey, Fatima Guevara, Ann Marie Zavacki, Bridge Hunter, Luke Amirault

CALL TO ORDER: Brad Parsons called the meeting to order 7:03 pm

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Minutes
Minutes approvals for March 6, 2025
All Approved with a minor correction (4,0)

Public Comment
No Public Comments

Permit Applications:
Prime Medicine – 500 Arsenal Street

Emily Dailey, EAS Manager and Bridge Hunter, Senior Director, gave a short presentation of the lab's activities and their vivarium. Prime works as a gene editor for rare, genetic diseases. The vivarium is managed by Ozgene. Dr. Maguire referenced the yeast and other bacteria used. He also inquired about the LLP work and the scope. The LLP work is done in Cambridge but delivered to Watertown by courier. Dr. Lieberman is requesting updated lenti with the list of generations. Dr. Lieberman is requesting a layout of the vivarium showing the air pressures. Mr. Parsons questioned the NMR but Prime stated they do not have an MNR. Prime maintains a FROL level and any larger spills are cleared by Triumvirate. Mr. Parsons questioned the Contingency Plan vs. EAP and the Chemical Hygiene Plan. Mr. Parsons made a motion to recommend approval of the application to the Board of Health with conditions:
Requested list of conditions:
List of organisms
Animal care floor plan
Oxygen tanks
Show the cage washing apparatus
Update the Occupational Health contract for 500 Arsenal Street.
(Parsons, Lieberman) (5,0)
Roll Call

Amendment Applications:
Dyno Therapeutics – 343 Arsenal Street
Luke Amirault, Sr. Associate, Operations, gave a short presentation of the lab's amendment. Dyno is adding human serum for gene delivery. Dr. Lieberman is questioning the certificate of analysis for the serum. The last IBC meeting was November 16, 2024. The expansion of work was not discussed. Mr. Amirault stated he used emails to share the risk assessment for the IBC members. WBSC requests the

risk assessment should have signatures. Dr. Lieberman and Mr. Parsons requested signatures from the IBC members as proof the IBC members approve the assessment. Dr. McEwan questioned the new cell lines in the IBC.
This amendment will not go in front of the BOH.

Other Business:
A lab submitted a registration. They are only renting freezer space with alarms.

Items that were not anticipated before publication of this agenda:

Next Meeting
The next meeting will be May 8, 2025

Adjourn
Adjourned at 7:56 PM

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