

BIOSAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

The Watertown BioSafety Committee has scheduled a REMOTE ZOOM meeting on
Thursday January 8, 2026 at 7:00 pm

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

In attendance: Kyle Rosenthal, Nate Davis, Mary O'Boyle, Corey Martin, Lilian Ling, Henry Lee,
Chris Mancuso, Tae Gon Cha, Kaylee Shiclel, Travers LeGuyader, Jarreth Caldwell

CALL TO ORDER: Brad Parsons called the meeting to order 7:05 pm

Minutes

Minutes approvals for December 4, 2025

Dr. McEwan made a motion to approve the minutes from last month.

(McEwan, Lieberman) (5,0)

Roll Call

Public Comment

No Public Comments

Permits to be reviewed

Studio Dx – 313 Pleasant Street

Nate Davis, Co-Founder, gave a short presentation of the lab's activities. Mr. Parsons questioned the floor plan and the shared space in the lab. There is a small room with safety cabinet and hood that is not shared space. Mr. Parsons asked how the waste is disposed of. Dr. Lieberman stated CLIA is not regulated by this committee and requires other certificates. Dr. McEwan stated Studio is testing primary human blood per the IBC. There is a risk of spreading pathogens. Dr. McEwan would like to see a risk and mitigation table.

Dr. Lieberman made a motion to recommend approval of this application to the BOH with conditions:

1. Source of blood and the repositories Studio is using and will use.
2. Risk & Mitigation table with allergen work taking place.
3. Detailed list of organisms and cell lines

(Lieberman, McEwan) (5,0)

Roll Call

ICLUCIA Therapeutics - 155 Arlington Street

Tae Gon Cha, CSO, gave a short presentation of the lab's activities. Dr. McEwan asked if ICLUCIA are using Aca Genes.

Dr. McEwan made a motion to recommend approval of this application to the BOH without conditions.

(McEwan, Parsons) (5,0)

Roll Call

Amendment to be reviewed

Parallel Biosystems – 200 Dexter Avenue #140 & 120

Presentation will be tabled to February's meeting

Cultivarium LLC – 490 Arsenal Way #110

Chris Mancuso, Scientist, gave a short presentation of the new project with human cell lines and viral vectors. Dr. McEwan appreciated the bio screening. Dr. Maguire questioned the quality control for cell lines from the University of Tennessee. Dr. Lieberman appreciated Cultivarium using AGMs.

Chris Mancuso asked the committee if the company could introduce cell lines from plant and water life. Dr. Maguire asked if the cell lines could be forecasted. Dr. Lieberman stated you would have to have certificates from Fish & Wildlife, USDA and other federal agencies. Mr. Parsons stated WBSC would appreciate a list of various plants and water life when the time comes.

This amendment does not need to go to the BOH since there is no increase in risk.

Abkyu – 155 Arlington Street

Travis LeGuyader, Co-Founder, gave a short presentation of the adding lentivirus (3rd and 4th generation), MMLV, and retroviruses to the research scope.

This amendment does not need to go to the BOH.

Other Business:

There are 3 labs that have not applied and one lab only stores materials in refrigerators

Items that were not anticipated before publication of this agenda.

Parallel Biosystems presentation will be tabled to February's meeting

Future Meeting

Next meeting will be February 5, 2026

Adjourn

Dr. Lieberman made a motion to adjourn.

(Lieberman, Maguire) (5,0)

Roll Call

Adjourned at 8:10 PM