

BIOSAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

The Watertown BioSafety Committee has scheduled a REMOTE ZOOM meeting on Thursday April 1, 2021 at 7:00 pm

PRESENT: Heather McManus PhD, Chairperson, Bradford M. Parsons Committee Member, Deborah L. Mc Ewan PhD Committee Member, Larry Ramdin, Director of Public Health and Lt. David Meagher Watertown Fire Department.

Staff: Maureen Foley, Head Clerk

In attendance Mike Wourms, Arranta Bio, Jo Viney, Hussan Shaheen and Lindsey Edwards, Pandion Therapeutics, Ryan Chappell, Platelet BioGenesis, Robert Derosier and Mackensie Sullivan, Triumvirate.

CALL TO ORDER: Dr. McManus called the meeting to order 7:03 pm

Minutes

Minutes for December 3, 2020, January 7, 2021, February 4, 2021 and March 4, 2021 were tabled until next meeting.

Motions granted (McManus, Parsons) 5-0

All in favor.

Public Comment

Public comments should be remarks, not a question and answer format.

No Public comments

Arranta Bio, MA LLC

Mike Wourms, Senior VP gave a short presentation of the company's activities.

Larry Ramdin stated Arranta must submit larger facility floor plans. The pests control contract must also be submitted. The indication of a BSL4 facility should be removed from the application.

Brad Parsons ask about the Hazardous Waste and Bio Safety training for employees.

Deborah L. Mc Ewan asked about the BSL1 and BSL2 protocols used for the organisms.

Heather McManus wants the spore killing agent, kill time put in the safety manual.

Larry Ramdin stated there is not a notification policy in the application for spills as required within 24 hours of exposure. This will be added to the biosafety manual.

A motion was made to recommend approval of the application to the Board of Health with the following conditions:

1. Provide a larger easily readable floor plan
2. Remove BSL4 Language
3. Include Spore killing time and agent in Safety Manual.
4. Provide copy of pest control contract.

Motions granted (Parsons, Ramdin) 5-0.

All in favor.

Pandion Therapeutics

Hussan Shaheen gave a short presentation of the company's activities.
Brad Parsons requested emergency action plan is required on the application.
Deborah L. Mc Ewan is asking for more clarifications and provide protocols around mouse work.
Larry Ramdin requested mouse work added to biosafety application.
Heather McManus stated Pandion needs to put the actual chemical names on all materials in the lab environment. Do not use abbreviations.

A motion was made to recommend approval of the application to the Board of Health with the following conditions:

1. Provide information that Community Member meets residential requirements of the regulation and has no financial interest in Pandion.
2. Vivarium protocols
3. Emergency action plan
4. Larger floor plan
5. Provide IBC member works in Watertown Motions granted
(Ramdin, Mc Ewan) 5-0.

All in favor.

Platelet BioGenesis, Inc.

Ryan Chappell, BioSafety Officer gave a short presentation of the company's activities.
Brad Parsons requested emergency action plan is required on the application.
Larry Ramdin requested to submit liquid waste plan.
David Meagher stated he wanted a walk through the facility and review the emergency action plan.

Larry Ramdin recommended

A motion was made to recommend approval of the application to the Board of Health with the following conditions:

1. Chemical Safety
2. Clarification of agents and disinfections
3. Emergency action plan
4. Larger floor plan
5. Qualification of Community Member
6. Hazardous Waste disposal plan

Motions granted (Ramdin, Meagher) 5-0.

All in favor.

C4 Therapeutics

Mailin Van Hoosear, Associate Director gave a short presentation of the company's activities.
David Meagher stated he requested a flammable storage permit with WFD.
WBSC stated C4 submitted a well done one page summary on the application. The application was well organized easy to navigate.
Brad Parsons made a motion to recommend approval of the application to the Board of Health with the following conditions:

1. Provide an updated Chemical Safety.
2. Larger floor plan with identifications and keys on the plans
3. Liability Insurance information naming the Town of Watertown as an insured
4. Community member information to be provided ensuring that residential qualifications and conflict of interest requirements are met.

5. Emergency action plan
Motions granted (Parsons, Ramdin) 5-0.
All in favor.

Transfer of Permit

This discussion of transfer BioSafety Permit to another owner or location was tabled to another meeting.

Adjourn: Ramdin recommended Adjourn, Parsons 2nd
9:34 PM

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted: Larry Ramdin, Director of Public Health
