Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Institutional Biosafety Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 10/17/2025 Meeting Time: 2:00 PM

Meeting Location:

<u>Note</u>: The approved meeting minutes will be posted publicly per the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Office of Science Policy (OSP) requirement NOT-OD-25-082. All information on matters not covered by the NIH Guidelines for Research Involving Recombinant or Synthetic Nucleic Acid Molecules will be redacted as allowed in NOT-OD-25-082.

Call to Order:

The Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) met on 10/17/2025

The quorum required is 4. There were 6 voting members and 1 non-voting members present at the start of the meeting. Quorum was confirmed.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM.

Meeting Attendance:

Meeting Chair: Erica Filep, Ph.D.

Voting Full Board Members:

Name	Scientific Status	Affiliation Status	Attended by Teleconference?
Erica Filep, Ph.D. (Chair for this meeting)	Scientific, Kinesiology	Affiliated	No
Jeffrey Turner, Ph.D.	Scientific, rDNA Expert and Animal Expert	Affiliated	Yes
Harshkumar Bhakta, M.S.	Scientific, EHS	Affiliated	Yes
Jonda Halcomb, Ph.D.	Scientific, Community Member	Non-affiliated	Yes
Yessenia Morris, B.S.	Scientific, Community Member and Animal Expert	Non-affiliated	Yes
Lee Lehman, M.S.	Scientific, Plant Expert	Affiliated	No

Voting Alternate Members: None

Non-voting Members in Attendance:

Name	Scientific Status	Affiliation Status	Attended by Teleconference?
Boram Lim, Ph.D.	Scientific, Kinesiology	Affiliated	Yes

Members attending by teleconference were confirmed as able to actively participate.

Full Board Members Absent: Patrick Larkin, PhD

IBC Staff: John Scarpa, PhD

Guests: None.

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I. Conflict of Interest

Members are reminded to disclose any conflict of interest related to any of the items on the agenda. The Chair called for any disclosures of conflict of interest. No conflicts were declared.

II. Minutes

A) Coordinator noted that he revised the approved minutes from August 22, 2025, meeting. Edited section title of BSR Review to Chair Review.

The Chair invited additional comments, questions, and/or concerns. Hearing no further discussion, the motion to approve the August 22, 2025, meeting minutes as revised was made, seconded and carried.

Vote Count	Vote Type	Comments
6	For	
0	Against	
0	Abstain	
0	Conflict of Interest	
0	Not present for Vote	

B) Review minutes of the September 19, 2025, meeting.

The Chair invited additional comments, questions, and/or concerns. Hearing no further discussion, the motion to approve the minutes as written was made, seconded and carried.

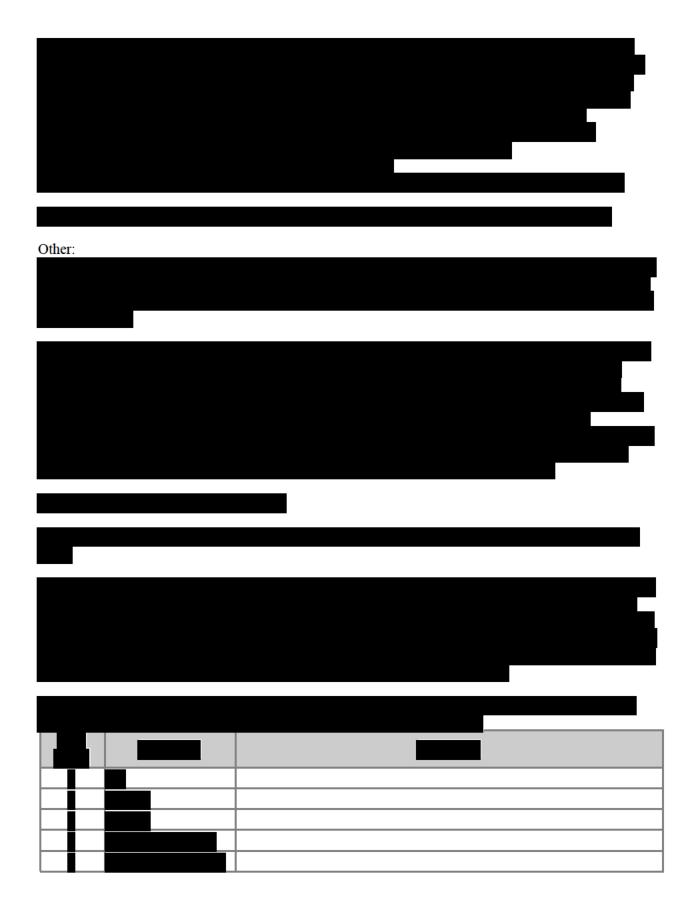
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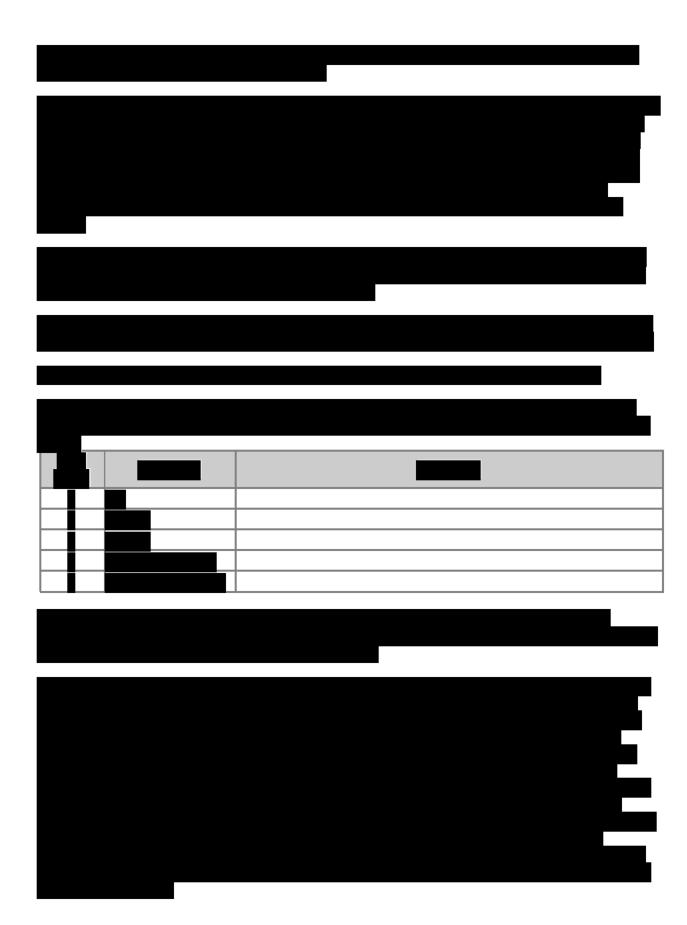
III. Old Business

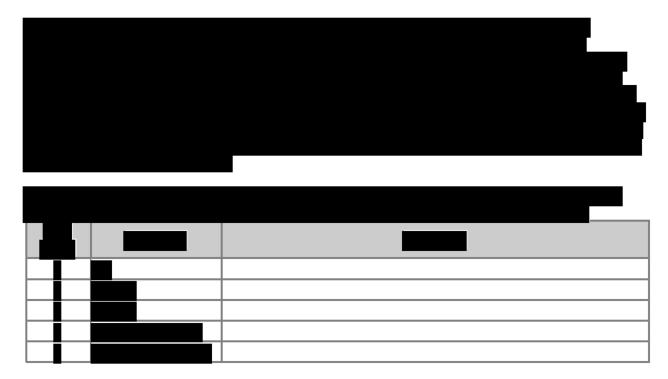
None.

IV. New Business Chair: No items.

Education: No items.







V. New Studies

None.

VI. Tabled Studies

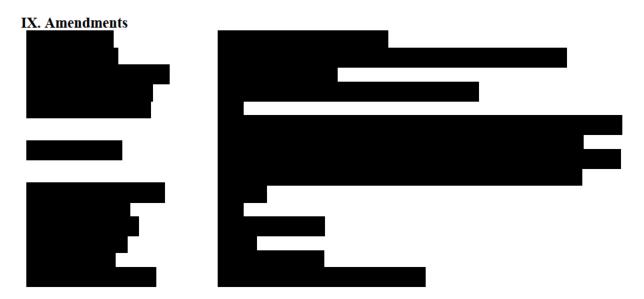
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VII. De Novo Reviews

None.

VIII. Annual Reviews

None.



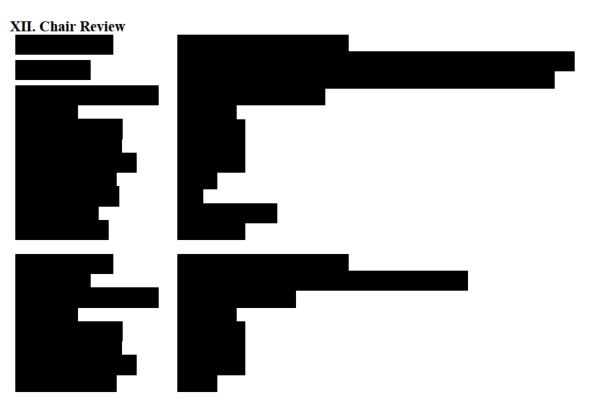


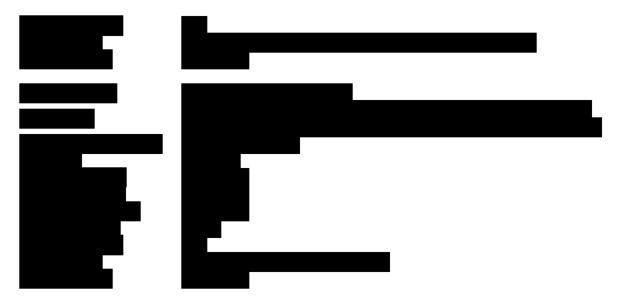
X. Reportable Events

None.

XI. Lab Inspections

None.





XIII. Miscellaneous None.

XIV. Closing Comments

The meeting was adjourned at 2:51 PM.