

FLORIDA CANCER CONTROL AND RESEARCH ADVISORY COUNCIL
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
FRIDAY, April 29, 2016 **10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**
Moffitt Cancer Center-Stabile Research Building
Board of Trustees Room

Council Members in Attendance

- John Armstrong, MD, FACS - Florida's Surgeon General (By Phone)
- Jessica Bahari-Kashani, MD - Florida Medical Association (By Phone)
- Robert Cassell, MD, PhD - Association of Community Cancer Centers
- Asher Chana-Kahn, MD – Florida Hospital Association
- Christopher Cogle, MD - University of Florida - Senate President's Appointee
- Marti Coley Eubanks – Nemours Children's Hospital - House Speaker's Appointee (By Phone)
- Thomas George, MD FACP - University of Florida (*Chair*)
- Clement Gwede, PhD., MPH, RN, FAAN - Moffitt Cancer Center
- Lawrence Hochman, DO, FACRO - Florida Osteopathic Medical Association
- Speaker Pro-Tempore Matt Hudson - House Speaker's Appointee
- Erin Kobetz, PhD, MPH - Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center, University of Miami (By Phone)
- Celeste Philip, MD – Deputy Secretary for Health, Florida Department of Health
- Amy Smith, MD – Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children – Governor's Appointee
- Megan Wessel, MPH - American Cancer Society

Other Non-Council Members in Attendance

- Dr. Daniel Armstrong – Chair, Florida Biomedical Research Advisory Council
- David J. Lee PhD – Florida Cancer Data System
- Gary Levin, BA, CTR – Florida Cancer Data System
- Phillip Cavicchia, PhD – Florida Department of Health
- Sharon Watkins, PhD – Florida Department of Health
- Susan Vadaparampi, PhD - Moffitt Cancer Center
- Merritt Martin - Moffitt Cancer Center
- Laura Lenhart - Moffitt Cancer Center
- Jamie Wilson - Moffitt Cancer Center
- Sandra Stonecypher - Moffitt Cancer Center
- Heather Youmans - American Cancer Society (By Phone)
- Sam Mooneyham, Florida Department of Health
- Tara Hylton - Florida Cancer Data System (By Phone)
- Sam Mooneyham, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Trina Thompson, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Gregg Smith, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Bonnie Gaughan-Bailey, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Felicia Dickey, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Marian Banzhaf, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Shannon Hughes, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Linda Loy, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Ensley Mara, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)

Welcome & Introductions

Dr. Thom George began by welcoming all members and guests, and also briefly reviewing the day's agenda. Each Council member, guest, and participants on the phone took a moment to introduce themselves to the room. He also introduced Moffitt Cancer Center's new representative Dr. Clement Gwede. Dr. Gwede replaced former Moffitt Cancer Center representative Dr. Brian Rivers.

Dr. George announced to the Council that he would be stepping down as Chair and asked for recommendations for Chair and Vice Chair. Several members including, Rep. Matt Hudson, Dr. Danny Armstrong, Dr. Robert Cassell, and Marti Coley Eubanks, requested to be recognized for a point of personal privilege in order to thank Dr. George for his many years of service to CCRAB.

Dr. Christopher Cogle, the Senate President's appointee from the University of Florida, requested recognition to become the new CCRAB Chair. Dr. Robert Cassell and Dr. Lawrence Hochman seconded the motion made by Dr. George for Dr. Cogle to become new Chair of CCRAB. Marti Coley Eubanks made a motion to nominate Dr. Gwede as the new Vice Chair. Dr. George seconded that motion.

Dr. George announced the new Chair, Dr. Christopher Cogle, and new Vice Chair, Dr. Clement Gwede.

Approval of Minutes

Dr. Thom George led the motion to review and approve the meeting minutes from the October 8, 2015 meeting. After hearing no motions to amend the minutes, Rep. Matt Hudson and Dr. Amy Smith motioned to approve the minutes. The Council concurred.

2016 Legislative Session Update

Rep. Matt Hudson and Heather Youmans from the American Cancer Society provided an overview of the 2016 legislative session (*see ACS's attached legislative breakdown*). Rep. Hudson specifically addressed that this session ushered in a new era of an alternating year meeting schedule, meaning that in even numbered years the Legislature will convene for its annual session beginning in January; in odd number years, session will convene beginning in March.

Future legislative opportunities identified by the Council include:

- Advocating increasing funding for the King and Bankhead-Coley trust funds and also reenergizing education surrounding why the trust funds exist.
- Promoting Florida as a destination for cancer care: NCI, warm weather, entertainment, etc...
- Review of Telehealth Advisory Panels findings per passage of HB 7087
- Continued monitoring of transparency legislation
- Plan meetings with incoming House & Senate leadership
- Highlight how individual academic institutions improve STEM, higher education, jobs.

The Council plans to schedule meetings in Tallahassee that coincide with committee weeks and session.

BRAC: Update & Research Plan

Dr. Danny Armstrong, Chair of Florida's Biomedical Research Advisory Council (BRAC), presented an update (*See attached presentation*). Following the presentation, the Council discussed the length of the application process for biomedical trust fund dollars, the need to be able to show trends over time and the challenge that presents BRAC because of a shifting focus in the strategic plan towards translational research, community practice, and disparities. Additionally, Council members discussed a strategy to increase funding to the trust fund by showing legislators grants that were unfunded in lay terms, defining a targeted dollar amount to fund the top 25% of grant applications, and use this dollar amount as a fundraising campaign target when speaking with legislators.

PCAC Update

Dr. George updated CCRAB on the Prostate Cancer Advisory Council's updated guidelines (*see attached document*).

Lunch & Learn: Immunotherapy

Marco Davila, MD, PhD, of Moffitt Cancer Center, presented on Immunotherapy. Dr. Davila is dedicated to developing gene-engineered cell therapies that target cancer cells in animal models of cancer. The goal of his research is to identify optimal cell therapies that can then be evaluated in cancer patients.

Cancer Plan: Progress & Needs

The Florida Department of Health transformed the state's Cancer Plan into a "Dashboard" in order to break down each goal group and display means of achievement (*see attached excel sheet*). The Council decided that there would be an ad hoc committee formed to address systematically reviewing the dashboard. Bonnie Gaughan-Bailey, Gregg Smith, Shannon Hughes, and Philip Cavicchia from DOH, and Dr. Cogle, Marti Coley, Megan Wessel, Dr. Cassell, and Dr. Gwede from CCRAB will comprise the committee.

Dr. Philip Cavicchia from the Florida Cancer Data System (FCDS) provided an update on funding, implementation, and interagency agreement with ACHA for claims data for Medicaid patience. Megan Wessel provided a colorectal cancer initiative update (*see attachment*).

Adjourn

Dr. Thom George thanked everyone for their time and participation. The meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.