American Society for Blood and Marrow Transplantation
Board of Directors
Minutes
San Diego – February 3, 2012

Board Members: President Daniel Weisdorf and Drs. Karen Ballen; Linda Burns; James Gajewski; Ronald Gress; Robert Korngold; Ginna Laport; Stephanie Lee; C. Fred LeMaistre; John Levine; Philip McCarthy, Jr.; Peter McSweeney; Warren Shlomchik; Elizabeth Shpall; Carolyn Keever-Taylor and James Young

Guests: Dr. Morton Cowan; Dr. Corey Cutler; Dr. Marcos de Lima; Dr. Sergio Giralt; Dr. Roy Jones; Helen Leather; Dr. Paul Martin; Dr. Brenda Sandmaier; Kim Schmit-Pokorny; Jan Sirilla; Michael Wilson and Kate Williamson

Staff: Thomas Joseph; Marmie Kiva and Robert Krawisz

The meeting was called to order by President Daniel Weisdorf at 2:20 p.m. Pacific Standard Time.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes

CONSENSUS: Approve the minutes of:
• Board of Directors meeting on September 13, 2011
• Executive Committee meeting on October 20, 2011
• Executive Committee meeting on December 15, 2011 – CARRIED

II. ASBMT COMMITTEES FOR 2012

Committee Appointments

CONSENSUS: Accept the committee appointments for 2012 as submitted by President-Elect Elizabeth Shpall:
• Membership Committee – Brenda Sandmaier
• Bylaws Committee – Corey Cutler
• New Investigator Awards Judging Committee – James Young
• Scientific Affairs Council – Ronald Gress (chair)
• Education and Standards Council – Philip McCarthy (chair)
• Professional Affairs Council – Peter McSweeney (chair)
• Sub-Committee on Informatics – Roy B. Jones (co-chair), Charles Martinez (co-chair), Sarah Cooley, Matt Kastigar, Thomas Klumpp, Marcia Latiff, Martin Maiers, J. Douglas Rizzo, Keith Stockerl-Goldstein and Richard Vinesett
Committee on International Relations – Marcos DeLima (chair), A. John Barrett, Roy A. Beveridge, Claudio G. Brunstein, Daniel R. Couriel, Anthony D. Ho, Mary M. Horowitz, Edwin Horwitz, Aimee M. Jadav, Robert Korngold, Jakob Passweg, Marcelo C. Pasquini, Pablo A. Ramirez and Jeffrey Szer


Committee on Older Patients – Richard E. Champlin (chair), Andrew S. Artz, Juliet N. Barker, Rita M. Jakabowski, Shirley Johnson, John Koreth, Dan L. Longo, Mildred M. Pasek, Uday R. Popat, Jan Sirilla and Celalettin Ustun

Committee on Clinical Research Training Course – Nelson Chao (chair), Armand Keating, C. Fred LeMaistre, Robert Soiffer and Daniel J. Weisdorf

Committee on Young Clinicians and Investigators – Corey S. Cutler (chair), Paula J. Cuthrell, Partow Kebriaei, C. Fred LeMaistre, Chrystal U. Louis, Arthur Molina III, Marcel van den Brink and Michael R. Verneris

Committee on Distance Learning – Marcie R. Tomblyn (chair), Roger H. Giller, Mark R. Litzow and Thomas R. Spitzer

Committee on Practice Guidelines – Paul A. Carpenter (co-chair), Bipin Savani (co-chair), Peter T. Curtin, Corey S. Cutler, Richard Kadota, Helen L. Leather, Mark R. Litzow, Navneet S. Majhail, Yago Nieto, J. Douglas Rizzo, Jeffrey R. Schriber, Paul J. Shaughnessy, Donna A. Wall and John R. Wingard


Committee on ASBMT RFI – Patrick J. Stiff (chair), Peggy L. Appel (vice chair), Brian Bolwell, Morris Kletzel, Thomas R. Klumpp, C. Fred LeMaistre, Michael Rabin, J. Douglas Rizzo and William P. Vaughan

Committee on Reimbursement – James L. Gajewski (co-chair), Joseph P. McGuirk (co-chair), Colleen R. Chapleau, Michael Boo, Matthew H. Carabasi, Stephanie A. Farnia, Pamela Germain, Shirley Johnson, Carolyn A. Keever-Taylor, Krishna V. Komanduri, Myrlena N. Lee, C. Fred LeMaistre, Michael C. Lill, Philip L. McCarthy, Peter A. McSweeney, Kenneth Meehan, Rajneesh Nath, Michael I. Rabin, George B. Selby, Kent H. Walters, Debbie Stenhjem (consultant) and Theresa Wiegmann (consultant)

Sub-Committee for CPT Technical Advice – James L. Gajewski (co-chair), Joseph P. McGuirk (co-chair), Bobbie Clawson, Michael Boo, Stephanie A. Farnia, Michael Rabin, Angela Simmons and Debbie Stenhjem
Committee on Foreign Medical Graduates – Marcos de Lima (chair), Hisham M. Abdel-Azim, Corey S. Cutler, Chatchada Karanes and Michael C. Lill

Task Force on Cellular Therapy – Helen Heslop (chair), A. John Barrett, Edwin Horwitz, Elizabeth J. Shpall, Jakub Tolar and Marcel van den Brink

Task Force on Quality Improvement – C. Fred LeMaistre (co-chair), Elizabeth J. Shpall (co-chair), Daniel J. Weisdorf (co-chair), Roy B. Jones, Paul Martin and Navneet Majhail

2013 Scientific Planning Committee – Catherine M. Bollard (chair), Amin M. Alousi, Juliet N. Barker, Colleen Delaney, Ginna G. Laport, Pavan Reddy, Katy Rezvani and Stanley R. Riddell

ASBMT Corporate Council – Armand Keating (chair)

Steering Committee of the BMT Center Administrative Directors Special Interest Group – Leslie S. Parran (chair-elect), Peggy Appel, Theresa Franco, Shirley Johnson, Michael I. Rabin and Jan Sirilla

Steering Committee of the Advanced Practice Professionals Special Interest Group – Michael Wilson (chair), Susan Burroughs (chair-elect), Paula Cuthrell (past-chair), Colleen Brown, Lori Burton, William Levy, Ashley Miller, Amy Witter and Amy Klinger (ex-officio)

Steering Committee of the Pediatric BMT Special Interest Group – Shalini Shenoy (chair), Greg Yanik (chair-elect), John Levine, Mort Cowan, Laurence Cooper, Michael L. Nieder, Michael A. Pulsipher and Kirk Schultz

Steering Committee of the Transplant Nursing Special Interest Group – Rosemary Ford (chair), Margaret Davitt-Harris, Elizabeth Murphy, Ellen A. Olson, Chris Rimkus, Kim Schmit-Pokorny and D. Kathryn Tierney

Steering Committee of the Pharmacy Special Interest Group – Helen Louise Leather (chair), Tracey Walsh-Chocolaad (chair-elect), Meredith Toma Moorman, Jamie F. Shapiro, Kathy R. Hogan, Janelle B. Perkins and Ashley Morris Engemann

Representative to the AABB Working Group on Cellular Therapies – Elizabeth J. Shpall

Representative to the AABB Uniform Donor History Task Force – Chatchada Karanes

Representative to the AABB Circular of Information Cellular Therapies Task Force – Paul W. Eldridge

Representative to the ACP Subspecialty Advisory Group on Socioeconomic Affairs (SAGSA) – James L. Gajewski

Representative to the Alliance for Harmonization of Cellular Therapy Accreditation – Jean E. Sanders

Representation to the AMA Current Procedural Technology Committee (CPT) and the Relative Value Unit (RVU) Update Committee – James L. Gajewski

Representation to the ASCO Clinical Practice Committee – Joseph P. McGuirk

Representative to the Cell Therapy Liaison Meeting – Elizabeth J. Shpall

Representation to the CIBMTR Infection and Immune Reconstitution Working Committee to Develop Infection Prevention Guidelines – John R. Wingard
• Representative to the FACT Professional Relations Committee – Daniel J. Weisdorf
• Representative to the Federation of Clinical Immunology Societies – Bryon D. Johnson
• Representative to the U. S. Consensus Group on Labeling Cellular Therapy Products for ISBT 128 – William E. Janssen
• Representative to the Clinical Information Exchange Collaboration – Roy B. Jones
• WBMT representative – Daniel J. Weisdorf
• Representation to the FACT Board – Sergio A. Giralt
• Editor of ASBMT eNews – Georgia B. Vogelsang
• Retirement of the Committee on Radiation Injury Preparedness and Committee on Professional Relations

III. AMY STRELZER MANASEVIT RESEARCH PROGRAM

Partnership with NMDP

CONSENSUS: Create and promote an “ASBMT Transplant Research Fund” to help support future Amy Strelzer Manasevit research grants.

IV. 2011 YEAR-END FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Approval of Financial Statements

CONSENSUS: Accept the December 31, 2011 unaudited year-end financial statements.

V. BBMT RECOMMENDATIONS

Impact Factor

CONSENSUS: To help increase the BBMT Impact Factor, encourage the Editor and Associate Editors to eliminate the “backlog” of submitted manuscripts and consider raising the “rejection rate” from 51% to 70%.

Education Book

CONSENSUS: Stop producing the Education Book as a supplement of BBMT and explore other publishing options, such as online only, for review and approval by the Executive Committee.

Abstract Supplement

CONSENSUS: Publish the BBMT Abstract Supplement in the January issue instead of February.

ScienceDirect

CONSENSUS: Request the Editor-in-Chief, along with the Executive Committee, to work with Elsevier to renegotiate the contract and consider including BBMT in the ScienceDirect offerings to institutions.

VI. PRACTICE GUIDELINE ON TREATMENT OF ACUTE GVHD

Approval of Practice Guideline

CONSENSUS: Accept the practice guideline on Treatment of Acute GVHD developed by the Committee on Practice Guidelines.
VII. ADVANCED PRACTICE PROFESSIONALS

APP SIG Structure
CONSENSUS: Approve the proposed expansion of the AAP Special Interest Group Steering Committee and Charter to include liaisons from APAO, ONS and APHON.

APP Website Link
CONSENSUS: Approve the development of the Advanced Practice Professionals Webpage on the ASBMT Website with content to be provided by the APP SIG Web Site Working Group.

VIII. MEMBERSHIP

Membership Applications
CONSENSUS: Accept the following membership applicants:

- **Members** – Christopher A. Barker, Joanne E. Filicko-O’Hara, Ketevan Gendzekhadze, Dianna S. Howard, Jiong Hu and Chimen Kesserwan
- **Associate Members** – Tara Lin, James K. Mangan, Sebastian A. Mayer, Ali Nourbakhsh and Tiffany Simms-Waldrip
- **Affiliate Members** – Ryan N. Bookout, Patrick J. Kiel and Nathaniel S. Treister
- **In-Training Members**, – Tulin Budak-Alpdogan, Mathew Fletcher, Deepa Jeyakumar, Roberto Carlos Montoya-Barraza, Michelle Poon, Duncan Purtill, Alison Rager, Jennifer L. Salstrom, Akshay Sharma and Divya Tiwari

Recruitment Idea
CONSENSUS: Consider conducting a membership recruitment campaign targeting Fellows in Immunology.

IX. COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH PRIORITIES

Development of Revised Charter
CONSENSUS: Request the Executive Committee to review the Charter for the Committee on Research Priorities.

X. COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MEDICAL GRADUATES

Resource for FMGs on ASBMT Website
CONSENSUS: Direct staff to develop a resource section for foreign medical graduates on the ASBMT Website which would include the state medical licensing charts developed by the Wolfsdorf Immigration Law firm.

Credit for Content Development
CONSENSUS: Request Dr. Marcos de Lima to prepare a letter, along with staff’s assistance, to Naveen Rahman Bhora, JD, stating that ASBMT will provide a statement on the materials he provided which indicates that this information was developed by Wolfsdorf Immigration Law. The letter should also state that ASBMT Policy prohibits the use of a hyperlink on the website.
XI. GUIDELINES FOR TRAINING

Review of Guideline  CONSENSUS: Request Dr. Burns to send the “Guidelines for Training” document to the Board for review and comment with a deadline of February 20, 2012. Once final comments have been incorporated into the document, the “Guidelines for Training in Hematopoietic Progenitor Cell Transplantation” will be submitted to BBMT, the target date is March 1, 2012.

XII. INFORMATION REPORTS

The following informational reports were received:
• Annual Business Meeting Agenda – Dr. Weisdorf
• Evidence-Based Reviews Update – Dr. Weisdorf
• Election Results – Dr. Barrett
• Vice President’s Report – Dr. LeMaistre
• Secretary’s Report – Dr. Laport
• 2009/2010/2011 Annual Reports – Mr. Joseph
• Transplant Nursing Report – Ms. Schmit-Pokorny
• BMT Pharmacists Report – Ms. Leather
• Pediatric BMT Report – Dr. Cowan
• BMT Center Administrators Report – Ms. Sirilla
• Advanced Practice Professionals Report – Mr. Wilson
• Scientific Affairs Council – Dr. Young
• Education and Standards Council – Dr. Ballen
• Professional Affairs Council – Dr. McSweeney
• Committee on Informatics RFA Recommendations – Dr. Jones
• RITN Conference Report – Mr. Krawisz
• BBMT Status Report – Dr. Korngold
• Elsevier Annual Report – Ms. Williamson
• New BBMT Editor-in-Chief Contract – Dr. Weisdorf
• 2012 BMT Annual Meetings Report – Dr. Levine
• 2011 Year-End Membership Totals – Dr. Ballen
• Policy on Duality of Interest and Statement of Compliance – Mr. Joseph
• September 5, 2012 Board Meeting in Minneapolis, MN – Mr. Joseph

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:51 p.m. Pacific Standard Time.

Submitted by
Ginna Laport, MD
Secretary

By Robert Krawisz