

University of Louisiana at Monroe
Institutional Review Board
January 11, 2012
Minutes

Presiding: Dr. Connie Smith (Chair)

Members Present: Dr. Jessica Lasiter, Dr. Melissa Melancon, Mrs. Ivona Juvic

Excused: Dr. Scott Baggarly (email vote), Dr. Joydeep Bhattacharjee (email vote), Mrs. Sandra Blate (phone vote), Dr. Ann Findley, Dr. Claire Stammerjohan (email vote)

Unexcused: Dr. Lynn Clark

Called to order at 12:00 p.m.

I. Welcome and Announcements

II. New Proposals

A. Proposal from Dr. Johanna Bout

- a. The purpose of the project is to determine the validity of language assessments for non-mainstream African American and Caucasian children in Northeast Louisiana Region.
- b. Comments: Need letters of support from JS Clark and Sallie Humble schools
- c. Decision: Approve contingent upon letters of support from two schools listed above

B. Proposal from Dr. Jennifer Whited

- a. The purpose of the project is to research the evolving literacy abilities of a child with a cochlear implant.
- b. Comments:
 - i. Informed consent must contain whom to contact with questions.
- c. Decision: Approve with informed consent modification

C. Proposal from Dr. Jill Comeau

- a. The purpose of the project is to determine the perception of third year pharmacy students toward cancer screenings prior to and after completing the hematology and oncology integrated module in the pharmacy curriculum.
- b. Comments:
- c. Decision: Exempt according to ULM IRB Handbook III.B.3.

D. Proposal from Dr. David Caldwell

- a. The purpose of the project is to study the effects of violations of standard multiple-choice item writing principles on item statistics, student scores, and pass-fail outcomes.
- b. Comments:
- c. Decision: Exempt according to ULM IRB Handbook III.B.2.

III. Guidelines for Classroom Projects - Approved

IV. Spring IRB committee meetings:

V. Other business:

A. CITI training- Several committee members need IRB Members Reference course.
Members have been notified to complete by next scheduled meeting.