



Pediatric Critical Care Colloquium

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PEDIATRIC CRITICAL CARE COLLOQUIUM Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Tuesday, August 29, 2023

Meeting Location: Virtual Meeting

Members present: Z. L. Harris, M.D., Chair (Presiding)
K. V. Biagas, M.D.
P. R. Holbrook, M.D.
H. E. James, M.D.
J. P. Marcin, M.D.
R. A. Orellana, M.D.
S. Pasala, M.D.
J. M. Schwartz, M.D.
D. Stockwell, M.D., Chair

Members absent: B. M. Greenwald, M.D.
P. S. Lubinsky, M.D.

Guests present: S. Ettinger, M.D., Ph.D. [AAP/SOCC Representative]
M. Alba-Sandoval, M.D. [U.M. Holtz/Jackson Health]
J. Solano, M.D. [U.M. Holtz/Jackson Health]
A. Sochet, M.D. [Johns Hopkins Medicine St. Petersburg]
V. Srinivasan, M.D. [CHOP/UPenn School of Medicine]

The meeting was called to order by Z. L. Harris, M.D.

Dr. Harris thanked all those present for their time and participation in the current meeting. She noted it would be a busy program for the next hour and she requested the cooperation of everyone to meet the time frame.

She mentioned the previous SC Meeting Minutes of 10/03/22 were available on the PCCC website for anyone to review (www.pedccc.org) under *Meeting Minutes*, and if anyone would like to discuss any of these items to contact her following the completion of this meeting.

Dr. Harris then requested Dr. James Marcin, meeting coordinator of the 27th PCCC held in Sacramento, CA (October 18-23-, 2022) summarize the meeting highlights.

Dr. Marcin indicated the meeting registration was 112 and included physicians, advanced practice registered nurses, physical therapists, fellows, residents, and medical students. The meeting registration income was \$29,080. Income from sponsors was \$5,000. Pre-Meeting Courses registration income was \$300. The total meeting income was \$34,880. Meeting expenses were as follows: pre-meeting event \$1,208; posterboards \$2,775; AV support \$3,104; transportation \$1,311; facility expenses and other items \$9,147; food/beverage \$25,496. The overall total of meeting expenses was \$46,551. The meeting loss was \$12,539 and was covered by a separate institutional account. A discussion followed as to the various aspects of meeting sessions, discussions, and the collegial aspect of all sessions. Highlighted was the active participation in scientific meetings as well as in the posters, by APRN's.

Dr. Harris then invited Dr. Orellana to explore with the committee activities of Latin America Pediatric Critical Care in 2024. He briefly outlined the 2023 Panama Critical Care Meeting as well as other Latin American meetings. The Panama Critical Care Meeting is an established yearly meeting for adult critical care. 2023 was the first involving pediatric critical care participation with plenary and breakout sessions. Dr. Orellana indicated the pediatric critical care physicians who participated were looking to expand the pediatric critical care component of this meeting. A discussion followed as to the potential participation of the steering committee members as faculty. He stated involvement of the PCCC would be welcomed. Aspects of how to facilitate meeting development such as but not limited to, having abstracts presented by pediatric critical care fellows from the U.S. Following further exchange of ideas, Dr. Harris invited Dr. Orellana to extend this discussion in a separate meeting. She indicated she would proceed to facilitate a meeting with Drs. Biagas, Orellana and anyone interested in it, to investigate this as a potential venue for 2024. Dr. Orellana indicated he would contact the Panama Critical Care Meeting organizers to obtain further input as to their perspective and collaboration.

Dr. Harris then invited Dr. Alba-Sandoval to present the University of Miami proposal for November 2025. Dr. Alba-Sandoval indicated the target audience would be national as well as international, capitalizing on Miami's unique geographic location. The meeting would be held on a Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Marketing would be directed to physicians and allied health professionals. Friday pre-meeting workshops would be offered, and these would include transplant critical care and clinical challenges, transport, support, outreach programs, palliative care, and a CRRT course. The Saturday morning sessions would include critical care challenges in pediatric transplants as well as related topics. The afternoon sessions would be set aside for abstract presentations, professor rounds and poster presentations. Sunday sessions would include organ donation and brain death, critical care outreach programs for transplants, professional career development, and others. She indicated the University of Miami has working relationships with area hotels for meeting venues, such as the Royal Palm Hotel, Loews Miami and others. A brief discussion followed as to the aspects of the proposal.

Dr. Harris then invited Dr. Sochet from Johns Hopkins St. Petersburg to present their proposal for a PCCC. Dr. Sochet summarized their experience in hosting local meetings. A new research and education building has an auditorium with state-of-the-art audiovisual support and seating capacity for 250 participants. Several hotels are near the research building. Tampa regional airport has extensive national nonstop and direct flights and provides an easy in/out airport facility. The pre-meeting conferences could be held in the research and education building, which has simulation facilities and could include varying critical care subject matter. The scientific sessions during the meeting would be disease-specific subjects such as but not limited to congenital diaphragmatic hernia, esophageal atresia, neuromonitoring, cardiac critical care, venous thrombosis, etc. The course faculty would not just be local, but also from Johns Hopkins Baltimore. Possible dates could be 2026 or 2027.

Dr. Harris acknowledged the completion of the tenure of Dr. David Stockwell as a member of the PCCC Steering Committee. Dr. Harris extended her appreciation as well as that of the SC for the previous work and dedication to the activities of the PCCC, provided by Dr. Stockwell over the past several years. She also indicated to Dr. Stockwell that the SC would always welcome any future input from him to further develop the PCCC.

Dr. Harris stated that the proposal from Dr. Biagas for a document to address PCCC “post-meeting reflections” prepared by meeting coordinators from subsequent meetings, was to be postponed for future discussion.


Dr. Harris announced her termination of her cycle as chairperson following the conclusion of this meeting. Dr. J. Schwartz (Chair Elect) had recently communicated that she would be unable to assume executive functions at this time. Dr. Harris communicated to the SC members present she had then discussed the possibility of Dr. Biagas becoming the chairperson of the SC at the conclusion of this meeting. She indicated Dr. Biagas had been a coordinator of two previous PCCC meetings, has been on the SC for many years and was knowledgeable of past PCCC activities. She then proceeded to nominate Dr. Biagas for the position of chairperson. This was seconded by Dr. James. Following a call for vote of members present the motion was unanimously approved. Dr. Biagas will succeed Dr. Harris and serve as chairperson for the period 2023-2026.

Dr. Harris then requested for Dr. Biagas address the SC members. Dr. Biagas acknowledged her nomination and expressed her appreciation for the unanimous vote. She looked forward to working with the past chair in assuring a smooth transition and continuation of the excellent work performed over the past three years by Dr. Harris.

Dr. Harris expressed her sincere appreciation for the support provided by the SC members during her tenure.

With there being no further items to discuss at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Z. Leah Harris, M.D., Chair

Hector E. James, M.D., Founding Member

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cc: Members of the PCCC Steering Committee, N. Ettinger M.D., M. Alba-Sandoval M.D., A. Sochet M.D., V. Srinivasan M.D., V. Nadkarni M.D., J. Burns M.D.