American Society for Blood and Marrow Transplantation
Executive Committee
Minutes
November 19, 2014 – Conference Call

Committee Members: Sergio Giralt (President) and Drs. Juliet Barker, Christopher Bredeson, Marcos de Lima and Effie Petersdorf

Member Guests: Dr. Joel McGuirk and Mr. Clint Divine

Staff: Andrea King, Robert Krawisz and Ken Luurs

The meeting was called to order by President Giralt at 2:09 p.m. CST.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes

CONSENSUS: Approve the minutes of the Executive Committee meetings on October 15, 2014.

II. PARTNERSHIP WITH UHC

Development of UHC Report

MOTION: (Petersdorf- de Lima) Request Dr. Joel McGuirk and Mr. Clint Divine to provide the Executive Committee with a report for the December meeting that:
- Provides background information on the UHC initiative.
- Explains the relationship of this project to ASBMT’s Preferred Future.
- Lists goals and priorities.
- Outlines deliverables with timelines.
- Summarizes accomplishments. – CARRIED

Expansion of Work Group

MOTION: (Petersdorf- de Lima) Expand the UHC Work Group to include one representative from the BMT Center Administrators SIG and one from the Reimbursement Task Force. – CARRIED

Approval of Suggested Actions

MOTION: (Petersdorf- de Lima) Approve the list of action items presented to the Executive Committee and require development of annual updates for the Board of Directors. – CARRIED.

III. 2016 SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Approval of Nominations

MOTION: (Petersdorf- de Lima) Approve Dr. Pavan Reddy’s nominations for the 2016 Scientific Program Committee:
- Stephanie Lee, MD, MPH: Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center
- Jeffrey Miller, MD: University of Minnesota
- E.J. Shpall, MD: M D Anderson Cancer Center
- John Koreth, MD, PhD: Dana-Farber Cancer Institute
- Marcel van den Brink, MD, PhD: Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center
- Stella Davies, MBBS, PhD, MRCP: Cincinnati Children’s Hospital
- Leslie Kean, MD, PhD: Seattle Children’s Hospital
- Takanori Teshima, MD, PhD: Hokkaido University Hospital, Japan – CARRIED
IV. QUALITY MEASUREMENT DEVELOPMENT

Background Information

The Quality Value Forum requested the Quality Outcomes Committee to develop quality measures for national recognition and use in reimbursement models. The Committee agreed to focus its attention on centers with one-year survival outcomes that are more than two standard deviations below the national average.

CIBMTR’s national model has 30-co-variates. CIBMTR was asked to provide drill down reports to identify potential problem areas (co-varients that are out of line with national norms).

Review of Recommendations

CONSENSUS: Let the Quality Outcomes Committee continue to meet and make recommendations to the Executive Committee.

V. BEST PRACTICES

Background Information

The Quality Value Forum requested the Practice Guidelines Committee to identify best practices (e.g. process improvement initiatives and/or novel ways of addressing known operational patient safety issues of concern).

Development of Action Plan

CONSENSUS: Once the Quality Outcomes Committee finishes their recommendations, a meeting with FACT can be arranged to determine next actions.

VI. CHOOSING WISELY

Background Information

An initiative of the ABIM Foundation, Choosing Wisely, is working to spark conversations between providers and patients to ensure the right care is delivered at the right time. Participating organizations have created lists of “Things Providers and Patients Should Question” which include evidence-based recommendations that should be discussed to help make wise decisions about the most appropriate care based on a patients’ individual situation.

More than 60 specialty societies have joined the campaign since its inception in 2012. New lists will continue to be published through 2014. ASCO and ASH have developed recommendations on “Things Physicians and Patients Should Question.”

Review of Recommendations

CONSENSUS: Request the Committee on Quality Outcomes to complete its work on this initiative and provide recommendations for review by the Executive Committee

VII. CONTRIBUTION LINE ON DUES NOTICES

Approval of Contribution Line

MOTION: (Petersdorf - Barker) Approve a test of a suggested contribution amount of $50 on the 2015 membership dues notice and ensure that a mechanism for acknowledgement be made. – CARRIED
VIII. SPEAKERS BUREAU

Approval of Recommendations

MOTION: (Petersdorf - Barker) Approve the Education Committee’s recommendations on the Speakers Bureau. Request staff to finalize proposals with outside funding source(s) and request the Education Committee to appoint a Task Force to develop an implementation plan with timelines by the January Executive Committee meeting. The start of the pilot program should be the second quarter of 2015. – CARRIED

IX. TASK FORCE ON HEPATITIS C

Approval of Charter

MOTION: (Petersdorf - Barker) Approve the Charter submitted by the Hepatitis C Task Force. – CARRIED

X. COLLABORATION WITH APBMT AND CHINESE BMT LEADERS

Scheduling Meetings at ASH

CONSENSUS: Request staff to schedule separate meetings with ASBMT officers and leaders of the APBMT and the Chinese BMT Society (Committee of the Chinese Hematology Society).

XI. MEMBERSHIP

Member Applications

MOTION: (Petersdorf - Bredeson) Accept the following membership applicants:

- **Members** – Januario E. Castro, Jessica C. Hochberg, Krina K. Patel and Michael Sadelain
- **Associate Member** – Divya T. Koura
- **Affiliate Members** – Jessica L. Anderson, Megan N. Bodge, Sarah J. Del Percio, Suni Dawn Elgar, Hilda J. Graham, Mary Jo Holuba, Bethamy P. Hosier, Margaret McCallen, Sara Murray, Mark E. Pirak, Kathy Powell and Adrienne P. Trentacosti
- **In-Training Members** – Mohammed M. Bakkar, Saranya C. Kodali, Jessica T. Leonard, Shahbaz A. Malik, Hayder Saeed and Quan Zhao – CARRIED

XII. INFORMATION REPORTS

The following informational reports were received:

- **AABB RFI Update** – Mr. Luurs
- **NHLBI meeting with Dr. Gibbons** – Dr. Petersdorf
- **NCI Meeting with Dr. Varmos** – Dr. Petersdorf
- **President’s Conference** – Dr. Petersdorf
- **Meeting with Funding Agencies** – Dr. Giralt
- **BBMT Status Report** – Dr. Korngold
- **October 2014 Financial Statements** – Dr. de Lima
- **2014 Schedule of Meetings** – Dr. Giralt
- **Mixer with Young Investigators** – Dr. Barker
XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m. CST.

Submitted by
Juliet Barker, M.D.
Secretary

By Robert Krawisz