



**American Brain Foundation
Research Advisory Committee Meeting
March 27, 2020**

**3:00 p.m. ET / 2:00 p.m. CT / 1:00 p.m. MT / 12:00 p.m. PT
Conference Call**

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Robert Griggs, MD, Chair; Raymond Roos, MD, Vice Chair; Carsten Bonnemann, MD; Jose E. Cavazos, MD; James Grotta, MD; Mark Mehler, MD; John Morris, MD; Ralph Sacco, MD; Eugene Scharf, MD; Phyllis C. Zee, MD, PhD

Staff: Jane Ransom; Julia Miglets-Nelson, PhD

Excused: Merit Cudkowicz, MD; Ira Shoulson, MD

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Robert Griggs at 2:02 p.m. CT. The meeting minutes of January 24, 2020 were approved unanimously.

1. Annual Meeting Updates: CRTF Awardee Presentations and Commitment to

Cures: Julia Miglets-Nelson reported that the ABF is working closely with the AAN and in consultation with Dr. Robert Griggs and Dr. Paul George to develop a plan to honor the 2020 CRTF awardees in light of the cancellation of the AAN's annual meeting. The new format will be digital, and will ensure that the awardees are honored for their achievement, and that the ABF's funding partners are thanked for their financial support. Members of the Research Advisory Committee will be invited to join the digital event. Dr. Griggs and Dr. George will meet on Monday, March 30, 2020 to flesh out these plans, and Julia Miglets-Nelson will share details with the Research Advisory Committee.

Jane Ransom updated the committee on the status of the ABF's conversations with the Alzheimer's Association concerning the Alzheimer's Association's proposed changes to the RFA for the Robert Katzman CRTS, which have been resolved. The Alzheimer's Association has also committed \$1.5M to the ABF's LBD project. Jane thanked Dr. John Morris for his help with the ABF's conversations with the Alzheimer's Association.

Jane Ransom shared the ABF's new plans for the annual Commitment to Cures event, which is being converted to a digital event in light of the cancellation of the AAN's annual meeting. Commitment to Cures will now be a weeklong digital event, culminating in a Facebook livestreamed event on April 29. The time of the event is TBD. The ABF will be sending emails to ticketholders, sponsors, and the public throughout the week that will highlight the award winners, including the Potamkin Award and the Cure One, Cure

Many Award. Jim Cramer has agreed to emcee the livestreamed event, and the ABF is hoping that Emilia Clarke and Sidney Crosby will be able to join.

- 2. 2020 RAC Meeting Dates:** Julia Miglets-Nelson called attention to the remaining RAC meeting dates for 2020 and asked committee members to email her if they have conflicts so that new meeting dates can be scheduled if needed.

Adjourned 2:18 p.m. CT.