

Executive Summary Of the Minutes Board of Directors' Meeting January 29-30, 2009

Proceedings:

- *Meeting Called to Order* at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman, Edward L. Snyder, M.D. A quorum was noted.
- *Minutes* from the Oct. 2-3, 2008 Board meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved.
- *Opening Comments:* Chairman welcomed the 2009 Board members to Dallas. He introduced new Board members: Deborah Abroal; Rex Crawley, Ph.D.; Miriam Markowitz; Gary Goldstein, Bernadette Murray-Fertel; and, Susan Rossmann, Ph.D., M.D. Dr. Snyder thanked Dr. Lorentz for his service as Board Chair from January, 2007 through December 31, 2008.
- *Chief Executive Officer's Report:* Ms. Christine Fleming, President of The Marrow Foundation was introduced to the Board. It was noted that management met with leadership of America's Blood Centers to discuss potential opportunities for future collaboration.

The Board reviewed and approved the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the NMDP will participate with other organizations and associations to consider the aforementioned cell therapy trade association.

- *Chief Financial Officer's Report:* The Board reviewed and approved the Independent Auditors Report as of September 30, 2008.
- *Business Process Assessment:* The Board reviewed the funding request for development of the conceptual business model.

The Board reviewed and approved the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board approves expenditures of an amount not to exceed \$3.2 million during Fiscal Year 2009, with said money coming from the approved budget for the implementation of the Proof of Concept Initiative for re-engineering the NMDP's business process.

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board Chair shall appoint an Oversight Task Force to work with management in this process.

FURTHER RESOLVED, management shall report to the Executive Committee or the Board on a regular basis with a report of management detailing the implementation strategy; feasibility; risk assessment, including the financial impact on the NMDP; and how the re-engineering may be perceived by the network and the impact on public policy.

- *Donor Age/Recruitment:* The Board unanimously approved a motion to continue the trend of college campus recruiting and to selectively recruit donors under the age of 45 years.
- *Patient-Focused Initiatives Committee (PFIC):* The Board discussed two funding proposals from the co-chairs of the PFIC distributed to the Board in advance of the meeting. A motion was unanimously approved to fund the Transplant-Focused Clearinghouse for \$41,000 and the Site Visit Standard Operating Procedure for \$41,500.
- *The Marrow Foundation / Be The Match Foundation:* On November 23, 2008 the Board of Directors of The Marrow Foundation met and approved a Resolution to change the name of The Marrow Foundation to Be The Match Foundation. The NMDP Board, as sole corporate member of The Marrow Foundation, passed a motion to approve the actions of the Marrow Foundation Board. The Board passed a Resolution Amending the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of The Marrow Foundation to facilitate the name change.
- *Network Approvals:* The Board approved the Recommendations from the internal Membership Review Committee.
- *2009 Committees Roster:* Presented for review and approval. Roster was ratified by the Board with the addition of the Investment Committee as a sub-committee of the Finance Committee.
- *Advisory Council on Blood Stem Cell Transplantation:* The next in-person ACBSCT meeting is planned for May; location to be determined.
- *Strategic Planning:* Presented for review and approval. The 2010 Strategic Plan was approved unanimously.
- *Next meeting:* Thursday & Friday, May 28-29, 2009.
- Meeting Adjourned.