IRB Meeting Minutes – February 23, 2012

Called to Order: 1:40 P.M.

Present: David Allard, Shirley Garick, Gaynell Green, Bosede Aworuwa, Jim Harbin, Tommie Hughes

The committee met to discuss the application by Ruth Hale – Evaluation of a Novel Antibiotic for MRSA Colonization in the Anterior Nares. The committee was provided with a copy of the application prior to the meeting to allow ample time for review. Chair Tommie Hughes presented to the committee her view that the A & M Texarkana IRB should not accept this application for review since the subject is outside the scope of any work being done by A & M faculty (see copy of memo*). Ms. Hale is an adjunct instructor in Drama and was submitting the application on behalf of an outside researcher. Tommie Hughes also researched a medically oriented IRB available at a local hospital to refer Ms. Hale. David Allard moved to decline to review the application. Shirley Garick seconded. The committee passed the motion unanimously.

Also attached is the e-mail sent to Ms. Hale to inform her of the IRB decision.

Adjourned: 1:55 P.M.

Addendum to Minutes

Institutional Review Board

February 23, 2012

Reference: Application by Ruth Hale received 2/14/2012. Evaluation of a Novel Antibiotic-Free Antiseptic for MRSA Colonization in the Anterior Nares.

Recommendation by IRB Chair:

The application was received from an individual who is adjunct faculty in the College of Education and Liberal Arts in the discipline of Drama. The application is an experimental study of a medication for use with human beings. The IRB application process is based on the premise that research reviewed by the committee is based in the university and is conducted by faculty and/or students in a university college, program or discipline. External entities may participate, but must be in conjunction with faculty or by an agreement with the university approved by the appropriate persons in authority. A & M Texarkana does not have a medical or pharmacy college, program or faculty. Because of this there is no one to provide peer review of this study. It would not be ethical for the IRB to undertake review or monitoring of this study.
under the circumstances. It is recommended that the committee decline to accept the application for review and point the prospective researchers to seek out a partner in this study at a university with medical or pharmacy faculty. It is also possible that the research ethics committee at Christus St. Michaels Hospital in Texarkana may be willing to review this study. Contact persons at St. Michaels are Dr. Michael Finley or Bonnie Smith.

e-mail sent to Ruth Hale

Date: February 23, 2012

To: Ruth Hale

From: Tommie Hughes, Ph.D., IRB Chair

Re: IRB Submission – Evaluation of a Novel Antibiotic-Free Antiseptic for MRSA Colonization in the Anterior Nares

Ms. Hale,

The Institutional Review Board of Texas A & M University – Texarkana met today. Your IRB application was received via e-mail on 2-14-12, but is as yet incomplete due to no signature page and no documentation of researcher completion of required training to conduct research with human participants. Even though the application is not complete the committee considered it preliminarily based on the information provided by you. The committee reached a unanimous conclusion to decline to accept the application for full review for the following reasons. The application was received from an individual who is adjunct faculty in the College of Education and Liberal Arts in the discipline of Drama. The application is an experimental study of a medication for use with human beings. The IRB application process is based on the premise that research reviewed by the committee is based in the university and is conducted by faculty and/or students in a university college, program or discipline. External entities may participate, but must be in conjunction with faculty or by an agreement with the university approved by the appropriate persons in authority. A & M Texarkana does not have a medical or pharmacy college, program or faculty. Because of this there is no one to provide peer review of this study. It would not be ethical for the IRB to undertake review or monitoring of this study under the circumstances. The committee declined to accept the application for review and
points the prospective researchers to seek out a partner in this study at a university with medical or pharmacy faculty. It is also possible that the research ethics committee at Christus St. Michael Hospital in Texarkana may be willing to review this study. Contact persons at St. Michael are Dr. Michael Finley or Bonnie Smith.

The committee wishes you well with your efforts and your action to seek out review of your project. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me.

Tommie Hughes, Ph.D., IRB Chair
Texas A & M University - Texarkana

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Present: David Allard, Shirley Garick, Gaynell Green, Bosede Aworuwa, Jim Harbin, & Tommie Hughes

Called to Order 1:00 P.M.

Two applications were received from Brandy Moore:

1. Relationships among diachronic thinking, temporal cognition, verbal intelligence, non-verbal intelligence, and Children’s ability to learn math. The application was reviewed by the full committee and approved unanimously.

2. Correlations among tasks of source memory. The application was reviewed by the full committee and approved unanimously.

Adjourned 1:40 P.M.

IRB Meeting – November 15, 2012

Called to order: 1:05 P.M.

Present: Jim Harbin, Gaynell Green, David Allard, Shirley Garick, & Tommie Hughes
Business was to consider application by Sara Lawrence – *Promoting Creative Cognition through Enacting Action*.

Committee discussed and approved the application unanimously.

Adjourned: 1:30 P.M.