

ICOC/ARS Meeting Minutes

March 26, 2026

Main Location

- Westin Sacramento, Monaco II
4800 Riverside Blvd
Sacramento, CA 95822
- CIRM Zoom

ICOC members that participated via Zoom teleconference are noted below:

Name	Present (P) or Not Present (NP)
Eyad Almasri	P
Kim Barrett Don Taylor (alternate)	P
Dan Bernal	NP
George Blumenthal	NP
Maria Bonneville	P
John Carethers	P
Marguerite Casillas	P
Judy Chou via Zoom	P
Monica Carson (alternate for Deborah Deas) via Zoom	P
Le Ondra Clark Harvey	P
Shannon Dahl	P
Anne-Marie Duliege	P
Ysabel Duron via Zoom	P
Mark Fischer-Colbrie via Zoom	P
Elena Flowers	P
Judy Gasson via Zoom Steve Smale (alternate) via Zoom	P
Jeff Golden (alternate for Shlomo Melmed) via Zoom	P
Vito Imbasciani	P
Rich Lajara via Zoom	P
Pat Levitt via Zoom	P
Hala Madanat via Zoom	P
Linda Malkas	P
Carolyn Meltzer	NP
Christine Miaskowski via Zoom	P
Adriana Padilla	P
Joe Panetta	NP
Joyce Sackey (alternate for Linda Boxer)	P
Marvin Southard via Zoom	P
Shauna Stark	P
Karol Watson via Zoom	P
Yael Wyte	NP
Kevin Xu via Zoom	P

Keith Yamamoto via Zoom	P
	28 P
	5 NP

Open Session

Agenda Item No. 3, 4, 5 and 6

Minutes from the December 11, 2025, ICOC/ARS Meeting, and January 29, 2026, ICOC Meeting

Appointments/Reappointments of Scientific Members to the Grants Working Group

Recommendations from Governance Subcommittee Regarding the ICOC Chair, ICOC Vice Chair, and CIRM President/CEO Review: Procedures, Timelines, and Survey Questions

Amendments to the Funding Mechanism for CIRM Conferences and Meetings (EDUC1)

Motion No. 1

- Motion by Le Ondra Clark Harvey to approve items on the consent calendar.
- Motion seconded by Maria Bonneville.

Vote

- The ICOC by majority vote approved the motion.
- 28 YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSTENTIONS; 0 CONFLICT

Agenda Item No. 7

Consideration of Applications Submitted in Response to Discovery Program Announcements (DISC4)

- Presented by Gil Sambrano

Motion No. 2

- Motion by Marguerite Casillas to not fund DISC4 applications not recommended for funding by the GWG.
- Motion seconded by Marv Southard.

Vote

- The ARS by majority vote approved the motion.

- 8 YES; 8 YES EXCEPT FOR THOSE WITH CONFLICT; 0 NO; 0 ABSTENTIONS; 9 CONFLICT (Bernal, Bonneville, Dahl, Duliege, Duron, Fischer-Colbrie, Flowers, Miaskowski, Watson)

Motion No. 3

- Motion by Marguerite Casillas to fund the six DISC4 applications recommended for funding by the CIRM team and not fund the two recommended by GWG but not recommended by the CIRM team.
- Motion seconded by Anne-Marie Duliege.

Vote

- The ARS by majority vote approved the motion.
- 10 YES; 6 YES EXCEPT FOR THOSE WITH CONFLICT; 0 NO; 0 ABSTENTIONS; 7 CONFLICT (Bernal, Dahl, Duron, Fischer-Colbrie, Flowers, Miaskowski, Watson)

Agenda Item No. 8

Consideration of Applications Submitted in Response to a Clinical Program Announcements (CLIN2)

- Presented by Hayley Lam

Motion No.4

- Motion by Le Ondra Clark Harvey to fund application CLIN2-19270.
- Motion seconded by Marguerite Casillas.

Vote

- The ARS by majority vote approved the motion.
- 13 YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSTENTIONS; 4 CONFLICT (Bernal, Duron, Flowers, Miaskowski)

Motion No.5

- Motion by Marguerite Casillas to fund application CLIN2-19119.
- Motion seconded by Maria Bonneville.

Vote

- The ARS by majority vote approved the motion.

- 13 YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSTENTIONS; 4 CONFLICT (Bernal, Duron, Flowers, Miaskowski)

Motion No.6

- Motion by Maria Bonneville to fund application CLIN2-19416.
- Motion seconded by Marguerite Casillas.

Vote

- The ARS by majority vote approved the motion.
- 15 YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSTENTIONS; 1 CONFLICT (Watson)

Motion No.7

- Motion by Vito Imbasciani to amend the original motion to not fund the remaining two CLIN2 applications (i.e., fund CLIN2-19191 and not fund CLIN2-19378).
- Motion seconded by Anne-Mare Duliege.

Vote

- The ARS by majority vote approved the motion.
- 3 YES; 8 NO; 0 ABSTENTIONS; 6 CONFLICT (Bernal, Bonneville, Duron, Flowers, Miaskowski, Watson)

Motion No.8

- Motion by Marguerite Casillas to not fund the remaining two CLIN2 applications.
- Motion seconded by Le Ondra Clark Harvey.

Vote

- The ARS by majority vote approved the motion.
- 10 YES; 5 YES EXCEPT FOR THOSE WITH CONFLICT; 1 NO; 0 ABSTENTIONS; 6 CONFLICT (Bernal, Bonneville, Duron, Flowers, Miaskowski, Watson)

Agenda Item No. 9

Consideration of Amendment to the Community Cares Centers of Excellence Concept Plan

- Presented by Geoff Lomax

Motion No.9

- Motion by Maria Bonneville to reopen the Community Cares Centers of Excellence funding opportunity with the modified concept plan.
- Motion seconded by Kim Barrett.

Vote

- The ICOC by majority vote approved the motion.
- 27 YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSTENTIONS; 0 CONFLICT

Agenda Item No. 10

Closer to Cures

- Presented by Amy Adams, Diana Farmer, Jim DeKloe, Jen Mayo, Joel Saenz, and Mike Silva

Agenda Item No. 12

Consideration of Amendment to Warrant Co-Funding Program

- Presented by Rafael Aguirre-Sacasa

Motion No.10

- Motion by Vito Imbasciani to approve the proposed SAFE/Warrant structure for use in applicable Funding Programs where a company has not yet completed a priced equity financing.
- Motion seconded by Maria Bonneville

Vote

- The ICOC by majority vote approved the motion.
- 28 YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSTENTIONS; 0 CONFLICT

Agenda Item No. 11

Consideration/Discussion of Program Preferences and Guiding Principles

- Presented by Rosa Canet-Aviles, Gil Sambrano, Kelly Shephard, and Shyam Patel

Motion No.11

- Motion by Maria Bonneville to approve four components (transition from preferences to guiding principles in DISC4, PDEV, and CLIN2; implement GWG selection in applicable programs; use Immune-Tissue Interactions in Disease and Repair as the DISC4 FY26/27 focus area; and decrease PDEV funding cycle to one cycle per year).
- Motion seconded by Linda Malkas.

Vote

- The ICOC by majority vote approved the motion.
- YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSTENTIONS; 0 CONFLICT

Agenda Item No. 13

Update from CIRM Communications Team

- Presented by Amy Adams

Agenda Item No. 14

Chair's Report

- Presented by Vito Imbasciani

Agenda Item No. 16

President's Report

- Presented by Jon Thomas

Agenda Item No. 19

General Comments on the ARS Process

Agenda Item No. 20

Public Comment

Agenda Item No. 21

Adjournment

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	ICOC/ARS ATTENDANCE	VOTE	VOTE	VOTE
		MOTION 1 Approve the items on the consent calendar Maker: Le Ondra Clark Harvey Second: Maria Bonneville	MOTION 2 Not fund DISC4 applications not recommended for funding by the GWG Maker: Marguerite Casillas Second: Marv Southard	MOTION 3 Fund the six DISC4 applications recommended for funding by the CIRM team and not fund the two recommended by GWG but not recommended by the CIRM team Maker: Marguerite Casillas Second: Anne-Marie Duliege
MEMBERS	P	VV	-	-
Kim Barrett Don Taylor (alternate)	P	VV	-	-
Dan Bernal	NP	NP	C	C
George Blumenthal	NP	NP	-	-
Maria Bonneville	P	VV	Y/C	Y
John Carethers	P	VV	-	-
Monica Carson (alternate for Deborah Deas)	P	Y	-	-
Marguerite Casillas	P	VV	Y	Y
Judy Chou	P	Y	Y	Y
Le Ondra Clark Harvey	P	VV	Y	Y
Shannon Dahl	P	VV	Y/C	Y/C
Anne-Marie Duliege	P	VV	Y/C	Y
Ysabel Duron	P	Y	Y/C	Y/C
Mark Fischer-Colbrie	P	Y	Y/C	Y/C
Elena Flowers	P	VV	Y/C	Y/C
Judy Gasson Steve Smale (alternate)	P	Y	-	-
Jeff Golden (alternate for Shlomo Melmed)	P	Y	-	-
Vito Imbasciani	P	VV	Y	Y
Rich Lajara	P	Y	Y	Y
Pat Levitt	P	Y	-	-
Hala Madanat	P	Y	-	-
Linda Malkas	P	VV	-	-
Carolyn Meltzer	NP	NP	-	-
Christine ("Chris") Miaskowski	P	Y	Y/C	Y/C
Adriana Padilla	P	VV	Y	Y
Joe Panetta	NP	NP	NP	NP
Joyce Sackey (alternate for Linda Boxer)	P	VV	-	-
Marvin ("Marv") Southard	P	Y	Y	Y
Shauna Stark	P	VV	-	-
Karol Watson	P	Y	Y/C	Y/C
Yael Wyte	NP	NP	NP	NP
Kevin Xu	P	Y	Y	Y
Keith Yamamoto	P	Y	-	-
		28 Y	8 Y	10 Y
		0 N	0 N	0 N
	28P	0 A	0 A	0 A
	5NP	0 C	9 C	7 C

ICOC Quorum: 22
ARS Quorum: 13

LEGEND
Attendance

NP – Not Present
P – Present

Votes

A – Abstain
C – Conflict
N – No
VV – Voice Vote
Y – Yes
Y/C – Yes except for those w/conflict

