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1	STANFORD, CALIFORNIA; TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2005
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3	CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IF WE COULD BRING THE
4	MEETING TO ORDER. IF WE COULD COME TO ORDER, I THINK
5	IT WAS A GREAT PRIVILEGE TO HAVE THE PRESENTATIONS ON
6	CYSTIC FIBROSIS THIS MORNING. IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO
7	WITNESS THESE PRESENTATIONS WITHOUT BEING INSPIRED TO
8	REDOUBLE OUR FOCUS ON OUR TASK. CERTAINLY WE HAVE OUR
9	CHALLENGES, BUT THOSE CHALLENGES, PUT IN PERSPECTIVE
10	WITH THOSE OF THE PATIENTS, SEEM TO BE QUITE
11	MANAGEABLE.
12	AND IT IS CERTAINLY IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT
13	WITHOUT THE DEDICATED EFFORTS OF DOCTORS LIKE DR. MOSS,
14	THIS FUNDING WOULD NOT HAVE THE RELEVANCE AND URGENCY
15	THAT IT DOES FOR THE POTENTIAL THAT IT MAY LEAD TO OVER
16	A SIGNIFICANT PERIOD OF TIME TO IMPROVE THE PROGNOSIS
17	OF MANY CRITICAL DISEASES.
18	AS WE MOVE THROUGH THE STATE, WE END UP WITH
19	VARIOUS CONFIGURATIONS OF THE BOARD TABLES. I'M
20	INFORMED THAT THEY'RE GOING TO TRY AND RECONFIGURE
21	THESE TABLES DURING THE LUNCH BREAK SO THAT WE HAVE
22	ANOTHER MORE EFFECTIVE OPPORTUNITY WITHOUT THE PODIUM
23	THAT IS PRESENT CURRENTLY FOR THE PRESENTATIONS ON THE
24	SPOTLIGHT ON DISEASE.

DURING THE MEETING THIS MORNING, WE'LL ASK

- 1 THAT MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC LIMIT THEIR COMMENTS TO
- THREE MINUTES SO THAT WE CAN HAVE EVERYONE'S COMMENTS,
- 3 AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE INVITED TO SUBMIT WRITTEN
- 4 COMMENTS IN ADDITION TO THE THREE MINUTES IF THEIR
- 5 PRESENTATION REQUIRES GREATER DEPTH.
- 6 WE WILL START THE PRESENTATIONS THIS MORNING
- 7 WITH ROLL CALL, FOLLOWED BY A PRESENTATION BY ALTA
- 8 CHARO. WOULD MELISSA KING PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.
- 9 MS. KING: DAVID BALTIMORE.
- DR. BALTIMORE: HERE.
- 11 MS. KING: ROBERT BIRGENEAU; KEITH BLACK;
- 12 SUSAN BRYANT.
- DR. BRYANT: HERE.
- 14 MS. KING: MICHAEL FRIEDMAN.
- DR. FRIEDMAN: PRESENT.
- MS. KING: MICHAEL GOLDBERG.
- DR. GOLDBERG: HERE.
- 18 MS. KING: BRIAN HENDERSON.
- DR. HENDERSON: PRESENT.
- MS. KING: ED HOLMES.
- DR. HOLMES: HERE.
- MS. KING: DAVID KESSLER.
- DR. KESSLER: HERE.
- MS. KING: BOB KLEIN.
- 25 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: HERE.

- 1 MS. KING: SHERRY LANSING.
- 2 MS. LANSING: HERE.
- 3 MS. KING: ROBERTO PECCHI HERE FOR GERALD
- 4 LEVEY.
- 5 DR. PECCHI: HERE.
- 6 MS. KING: TED LOVE.
- 7 DR. LOVE: HERE.
- 8 MS. KING: RICHARD MURPHY.
- 9 DR. MURPHY: HERE.
- 10 MS. KING: TINA NOVA.
- DR. NOVA: HERE.
- MS. KING: ED PENHOET.
- DR. PENHOET: HERE.
- MS. KING: PHIL PIZZO.
- DR. PIZZO: HERE.
- MS. KING: CLAIRE POMEROY.
- DR. POMEROY: HERE.
- MS. KING: PHYLLIS PRECIADO.
- DR. PRECIADO: HERE.
- MS. KING: FRANCISCO PRIETO.
- DR. PRIETO: HERE.
- MS. KING: JOHN REED.
- DR. REED: HERE.
- MS. KING: JOAN SAMUELSON.
- MS. SAMUELSON: HERE.

- 1 MS. KING: DAVID SERRANO-SEWALL.
- 2 MR. SERRANO-SEWALL: HERE.
- 3 MS. KING: JEFF SHEEHY.
- 4 MR. SHEEHY: HERE.
- 5 MS. KING: JONATHAN SHESTACK.
- 6 MR. SHESTACK: HERE.
- 7 MS. KING: OSWALD STEWARD.
- 8 DR. STEWARD: HERE.
- 9 MS. KING: LEON THAL.
- DR. THAL: HERE.
- 11 MS. KING: GAYLE WILSON.
- MS. WILSON: HERE.
- MS. KING: JANET WRIGHT.
- DR. WRIGHT: HERE.
- 15 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THE
- 16 FIRST ITEM OF BUSINESS THIS MORNING WILL FOLLOW THE
- 17 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND MELISSA KING WILL LEAD US IN
- 18 THAT.
- 19 (THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.)
- 20 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: LAST NIGHT IN AN INTENSIVE
- 21 WORKSHOP SESSION, WHICH WAS A PUBLIC WORKSHOP, WE WERE
- 22 PRIVILEGED TO HAVE ALTA CHARO MAKE A TWO-HOUR
- 23 PRESENTATION ON STANDARDS. THERE WERE ELEVEN MEMBERS
- 24 OF THE BOARD WHO PARTICIPATED ALONG WITH A SIGNIFICANT
- 25 NUMBER OF PUBLIC MEMBERS IN THIS PRESENTATION. ALTA

- 1 CHARO HAS A LIMITED TIME FRAME THIS MORNING FOR HER
- 2 PRESENTATION, BUT MATERIALS FROM HER PRESENTATION LAST
- 3 NIGHT WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO THE BOARD MEMBERS AND TO
- 4 THE PUBLIC.
- 5 ALTA CHARO IS A PROFESSOR OF LAW AND
- 6 BIOETHICS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN AT MADISON
- 7 WHERE SHE'S ON THE FACULTY OF THE LAW SCHOOL AND AN
- 8 ASSOCIATE DEAN. SHE'S ALSO ON THE FACULTY OF THE
- 9 MEDICAL SCHOOL'S DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL HISTORY AND
- 10 BIOETHICS. SHE OFFERS COURSES ON HEALTH LAW,
- 11 BIOETHICS, BIOTECHNOLOGY LAW, FOOD AND DRUG LAW,
- 12 MEDICAL ETHICS, REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS, TORTS, AND
- 13 LEGISLATIVE DRAFTING.
- 14 THIS IS A TREMENDOUS AND IMPRESSIVE SCOPE.
- AND IN DECEMBER SHE WAS CHOSEN BY THE NATIONAL
- 16 ACADEMIES OF SCIENCE AS ONE OF THE BRIGHTEST MINDS IN
- 17 THE COUNTRY TO PROVIDE A PRESENTATION IN IRVINE AT THE
- 18 NATIONAL ACADEMY SITE ON THE STANDARDS FOR STEM CELL
- 19 RESEARCH. I THINK YOU WILL BE VERY IMPRESSED WITH HER
- 20 PRESENTATION THIS MORNING. AND I'D LIKE YOU TO BEAR IN
- 21 MIND THAT SHE HAS DIRECT FUNCTIONAL EXPERIENCE WITH
- 22 MEDICINE AS WELL IN THAT SHE HAS SERVED ON THE
- 23 UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN HOSPITAL CLINICAL ETHICS
- 24 COMMITTEE, THE UNIVERSITY'S INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD
- 25 FOR THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN SUBJECTS IN MEDICAL

- 1 RESEARCH, AND THE UNIVERSITY'S BIOETHICS ADVISORY
- 2 COMMITTEE.
- 3 SHE ALSO SERVES ON SEVERAL EXPERT ADVISORY
- 4 BOARDS, INCLUDING THE JUVENILE DIABETES RESEARCH
- 5 FOUNDATION, WI-CELL, THE WISCONSIN STEM CELL RESEARCH
- 6 PROGRAM, AND IN 1994 SHE SERVED ON THE NIH HUMAN
- 7 EMBRYONIC RESEARCH PANEL. FROM 1996 TO 2001 SHE WAS A
- 8 MEMBER OF PRESIDENT CLINTON'S NATIONAL BIOETHICS
- 9 ADVISORY COMMISSION, AND SHE'S BEEN A MEMBER OF THE
- 10 NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCE BOARD ON LIFE SCIENCES
- 11 SINCE 2001. SHE SERVES AS A MEMBER OF NAS AND IOM
- 12 COMMITTEES WORKING IN THIS AREA, AND I THINK YOU WILL
- BE IMPRESSED WITH THE QUALITY AND DEPTH OF HER
- 14 KNOWLEDGE. AGAIN, HER PRESENTATION FROM LAST NIGHT AND
- 15 MATERIALS RELATED TO IT WILL BE AVAILABLE AS A
- 16 SUPPLEMENT TO WHAT SHE PRESENTS THIS MORNING. ALTA
- 17 CHARO.
- 18 MS. CHARO: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MY
- 19 APOLOGIES FOR THOSE THAT ARE GOING TO GET NECK STRAIN
- 20 BECAUSE OF THE SETUP HERE. I SYMPATHIZE WITH THE
- 21 LOGISTICAL CHALLENGES.
- I DO HAVE LIMITED TIME; HOWEVER, I WANTED TO
- 23 PREFACE MY REMARKS WITH A STATEMENT THAT WILL HELP
- 24 THOSE THAT WANT TO UNDERSTAND INTERCONNECTIONS, TO
- 25 UNDERSTAND MY OWN INTERCONNECTIONS, AND TO MAKE THEIR

- 1 OWN JUDGMENTS ABOUT WHETHER IT CONSTITUTES A CONFLICT
- 2 OF INTEREST.
- 3 AS BOB KLEIN HAD MENTIONED, AMONG THE MANY
- 4 THINGS I'VE DONE IN THE AREA GROSSLY RELATED TO EMBRYO
- 5 RESEARCH AND STEM CELL RESEARCH, I AM THE LIAISON FROM
- 6 THE BOARD ON LIFE SCIENCES AT THE NATIONAL ACADEMIES TO
- 7 THE COMMITTEE THAT IS CURRENTLY WORKING TO DRAFT
- 8 VOLUNTARY NATIONAL SELF-REGULATORY GUIDELINES IN THE
- 9 AREA OF STEM CELL RESEARCH. I'M A MEMBER OF THE ETHICS
- 10 ADVISORY BOARD FOR THE JUVENILE DIABETES RESEARCH
- 11 FOUNDATION, WHICH IS A GRANTOR IN THIS FIELD.
- 12 I WAS A MEMBER OF THE ETHICS AND SCIENCE
- 13 ADVISORY GROUP FOR CURES NOW, WHICH WAS A SOUTHERN
- 14 CALIFORNIA-BASED GROUP ACTIVE IN THE POLITICAL CAMPAIGN
- 15 TO MAINTAIN THE LEGALITY OF ALL FORMS OF EMBRYONIC STEM
- 16 CELL RESEARCH, I WAS A MEMBER AND CURRENTLY AM A MEMBER
- OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN'S CAMPUS BIOETHICS
- 18 ADVISORY COMMITTEE, WHICH HAS SOME ROLE IN OVERSEEING
- 19 STEM CELL RESEARCH THERE, IN THAT CAPACITY HELPED TO
- 20 WRITE PORTIONS OF THE UW STEM CELL POLICY, WHICH WAS
- 21 DUPLICATED AND DISTRIBUTED OUTSIDE AS PART OF THE
- 22 HANDOUTS FOR AGENDA ITEM 5.
- 23 I'M CURRENTLY A MEMBER OF THE FACULTY
- 24 ADVISORY BOARD FOR UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN'S STEM CELL
- 25 RESEARCH PROGRAM, WHICH IS MADE UP OF RESEARCHERS AND A

- 1 FEW OTHER FACULTY ADVISORS, AS WELL AS ON THE ADVISORY
- 2 BOARD FOR WI-CELL, WHICH IS THE PRIVATE OFF-CAMPUS
- 3 ENTITY THAT PURSUES EMBRYONIC STEM CELL RESEARCH IN
- 4 MADISON, WISCONSIN.
- 5 I WOULD NOTE FOR YOU THAT IN ALL OF THOSE
- 6 CAPACITIES, I GET NO COMPENSATION EITHER DIRECT OR
- 7 INDIRECT EXCEPT FOR FREQUENT FLIER MILES AND
- 8 REIMBURSEMENT OF ACTUAL OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES SUBJECT
- 9 TO STATE LIMITATIONS. I AM ALSO A MEMBER OF THE HOWARD
- 10 HUGHES MEDICAL INSTITUTE'S BIOETHICS ADVISORY BOARD,
- 11 WHICH AMONG OTHER THINGS SETS RULES FOR THE ETHICAL
- 12 MANAGEMENT OF RESEARCH BY ITS OWN INVESTIGATORS AROUND
- 13 THE COUNTRY. FOR THAT I DO GET PAID A FLAT ANNUAL FEE.
- 14 I HAVE NOT AT ANY POINT ACTUALLY PARTICIPATED IN
- 15 SETTING STEM CELL POLICY FOR THEM. SO IF ANYBODY NEEDS
- OR FEELS THE NEED TO PURSUE ANY OF THOSE, I'LL BE HAPPY
- 17 TO PROVIDE MORE INFORMATION.
- THE LAST APOLOGY SEEMS TO BE THAT THERE'S NO
- 19 POWERPOINT FOR YOU ALL. AT THE TIME THAT I WAS
- 20 PREPARING THIS, IT WASN'T QUITE CLEAR WHAT THE
- 21 TECHNICAL CAPACITIES OF THE ROOM WOULD BE. FOR THOSE
- 22 IN THE AUDIENCE AS WELL AS THE MEMBERS OF THE ICOC,
- 23 THERE IS A HANDOUT THAT WE CAN USE TO KIND OF FOLLOW
- 24 ALONG TOPICALLY.
- 25 BECAUSE THERE IS ONLY A LIMITED AMOUNT OF

- 1 TIME THIS MORNING --
- 2 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: ALTA, GIVEN THAT YOU HAVE
- 3 SOME SLIDES, THOSE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD WHO ARE SEATED
- 4 WITH THEIR BACKS TO THE SCREEN COULD RELOCATE.
- 5 MS. CHARO: NO. NO. I DON'T HAVE SLIDES.
- 6 THERE'S A HANDOUT, WHICH I HOPE THAT ALL OF YOU HAVE IN
- 7 YOUR BOOKS. GIVEN THAT THERE'S A LIMITED AMOUNT OF
- 8 TIME THIS MORNING AND GIVEN THAT THE INITIATIVE ITSELF
- 9 LAID OUT CERTAIN MANDATORY AREAS OF ATTENTION FOR
- 10 STANDARD SETTING, IT SEEMED PERHAPS BEST TO START WITH
- 11 THOSE AREAS THAT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO ADDRESS BY VIRTUE
- 12 OF THE PASSAGE OF THE INITIATIVE. AND THEN TIME
- 13 PERMITTING, WE CAN IDENTIFY THOSE OTHER ISSUES THAT, IN
- 14 MY EXPERIENCE ON ALL THESE OTHER COMMITTEES, ARE LIKELY
- 15 TO COME UP AND REQUIRE OR AT LEAST SUGGEST THE NEED FOR
- 16 YOUR ATTENTION ONCE YOU HAVE COMPLETED YOUR MANDATED
- 17 TASKS.
- 18 NOW, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT'S IN THE
- 19 INITIATIVE THAT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO DO IS TO PAY
- 20 ATTENTION TO HUMAN SUBJECTS PROTECTIONS. IN THIS AREA
- 21 HUMAN SUBJECTS ARE RESEARCH PARTICIPANTS IN THE
- 22 FOLLOWING CAPACITIES: PEOPLE WHO ARE DONATING A
- 23 SOMATIC CELL FOR THINGS LIKE SOMATIC CELL NUCLEAR
- 24 TRANSFER. THAT MIGHT BE NOTHING MORE THAN SWABBING THE
- 25 INSIDE OF A CHEEK, BUT NONETHELESS THEY THEN BECOME A

- 1 RESEARCH SUBJECT. IT'S NOT BECAUSE THEY THEMSELVES ARE
- 2 BEING STUDIED, BUT THE INTERACTION WITH A PERSON TO
- 3 RETRIEVE THE BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL MAKES THAT PERSON A
- 4 RESEARCH SUBJECT IN THE CONTEXT OF THE OVERALL
- 5 PROTOCOL.
- 6 SIMILARLY, THE COLLECTION OF EGGS AND SPERM
- 7 IF YOU ARE MAKING NEW EMBRYOS EITHER BY IVF OR BY
- 8 SOMATIC CELL NUCLEAR TRANSFER MAKES THE EGG AND SPERM
- 9 DONORS INTO RESEARCH SUBJECTS.
- 10 AND THEN FINALLY, FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE GIVING
- 11 PERMISSION FOR THE USE OF THEIR SURPLUS EMBRYOS,
- 12 EMBRYOS THAT THEY HAVE ALREADY DECIDED NOT TO USE FOR
- 13 REPRODUCTIVE PURPOSES, THEY MAY OR MAY NOT BE
- 14 CONSIDERED RESEARCH SUBJECTS. HERE THERE'S NO PHYSICAL
- 15 INTERACTION WITH THOSE PEOPLE. THE ONLY INTERACTION
- 16 CONSISTS OF ASKING FOR THEIR CONSENT TO USE AN ALREADY
- 17 EXISTING EMBRYO. IF THAT IS THE ONLY INTERACTION, AND
- 18 IF THE EMBRYO IS GOING TO BE MANAGED IN A WAY THAT DOES
- 19 NOT REVEAL INFORMATION ABOUT THOSE DONORS' PERSONAL
- 20 IDENTITIES AND MEDICAL INFORMATION, THEN IN THIS ONE
- 21 SITUATION YOU ARE NOT GOING TO BE CONSIDERING THE
- 22 EMBRYO DONORS TO BE RESEARCH SUBJECTS.
- 23 THIS IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE NOT BEING RESEARCH
- 24 SUBJECTS MEANS THAT YOU WOULD BE EXEMPTED FROM MANY OF
- 25 THE FEDERAL RULES THAT GOVERN RESEARCH WITH HUMAN

- 1 SUBJECTS. AND SINCE EMBRYO DONATION IS LIKELY TO BE
- 2 THE MOST COMMON FORM OF COLLECTING BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS
- 3 FOR THE GENERATION OF NEW CELL LINES, IT SEEMS
- 4 IMPORTANT TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE APPRECIATE THIS
- 5 PARTICULAR APPLICATION OF FEDERAL RULES. SO
- 6 ANONYMIZED, PROPERLY CODED EMBRYO COLLECTION FROM
- 7 PEOPLE WHO HAVE EXISTING EMBRYOS THAT ARE SURPLUS AT
- 8 IVF CLINICS WILL NOT TRIGGER HUMAN SUBJECTS PROTECTIONS
- 9 UNDER FEDERAL RULES.
- 10 ON THE OTHER HAND, IF THERE IS MEDICAL
- 11 INFORMATION ABOUT THE DONORS THAT IS BEING KEPT AND
- 12 ATTACHED TO THE CELL LINES, FOR EXAMPLE, TO COMPLY WITH
- 13 THE NEW DONOR SUITABILITY RULES THAT THE FDA HAS ISSUED
- 14 SO THAT DOWNSTREAM CLINICAL APPLICATIONS FOR TRANSPLANT
- 15 WITH TISSUES DEVELOPED FROM THOSE LINES CAN BE
- 16 ACCOMPANIED BY ADEQUATE INFORMATION ABOUT THE
- 17 UNDERLYING MEDICAL CONDITIONS OF THE DONORS AND ASSURE
- 18 THE SAFETY OF THE TISSUE, THERE IS THE POSSIBILITY,
- 19 THEN, THAT YOU MUST TREAT THESE EMBRYO DONORS AS
- 20 RESEARCH SUBJECTS.
- 21 AND THE KEY IN THIS AREA, AND IT'S GOING TO
- 22 COME UP REPEATEDLY, IS GOING TO BE THE MANAGEMENT OF
- 23 THAT INFORMATION. A SUFFICIENT LEVEL OF CODING AND A
- 24 SUFFICIENT AMOUNT OF ATTENTION TO CONFIDENTIALITY
- 25 PRACTICES THAT KEEP A COMPLETE FIREWALL BETWEEN THE

- 1 MEDICAL AND GENETIC INFORMATION NEEDED FOR THE
- 2 MANAGEMENT OF THE LINES SEPARATE FROM THE PERSONAL
- 3 IDENTITY FROM THE DONORS WILL ALLOW ONE TO CONTINUE TO
- 4 USE THOSE MATERIALS WITHOUT DEEMING THE DONORS
- 5 THEMSELVES SUDDENLY RESEARCH SUBJECTS. BUT AS SOON AS
- 6 THEIR PERSONAL IDENTITIES BECOME READILY ASCERTAINABLE,
- 7 THEN JUST WORKING WITH CELL LINES, JUST COLLECTING THE
- 8 EMBRYOS FUNCTIONALLY MEANS YOU ARE IN A POSITION TO BE
- 9 STUDYING THE DONORS AND NOT JUST THEIR MATERIALS, AND
- 10 IT'S THE ABILITY TO STUDY THE DONORS AS PEOPLE THAT
- 11 TRIGGERS THE NEED TO TREAT THEM AS RESEARCH SUBJECTS.
- 12 I'M SORRY TO BE KIND OF GOING OVER AND OVER
- 13 IT, BUT IT TURNS OUT THIS HAS BEEN A POINT OF
- 14 TREMENDOUS CONFUSION IN ALMOST EVERY SETTING I'VE BEEN
- 15 AT, AND IT ACTUALLY REQUIRED DIRECT COMMUNICATION WITH
- 16 THE OFFICE OF HUMAN RESEARCH PROTECTIONS TO GET A KIND
- 17 OF DEFINITIVE INTERPRETATION OF HOW THE FEDERAL RULES
- 18 WOULD OPERATE IN THIS AREA.
- 19 NOW, GIVEN THAT, THEREFORE, THERE IS A CADRE
- 20 OF PEOPLE WHO ARE LIKELY TO BE APPROACHED FOR CONSENT
- 21 TO GIVE THEIR EMBRYOS OVER TO RESEARCH, GIVEN THAT IN
- 22 MANY CASES THOSE PEOPLE MAY NOT BE COVERED BY EXISTING
- 23 RESEARCH PROTECTIONS UNDER FEDERAL RULES, ONE OF THE
- 24 DECISIONS THAT THIS BODY IS IN A POSITION TO MAKE IS
- 25 THE FOLLOWING. SHALL YOU FOLLOW THE FEDERAL RESEARCH

- 1 SUBJECT PROTECTIONS ONLY, OR SHALL YOU SUPPLEMENT THEM
- 2 BY REQUIRING RESEARCH PROTECTIONS FOR ALL EMBRYO DONORS
- 3 REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THEY TECHNICALLY MEET THE
- 4 DEFINITION OF RESEARCH SUBJECT?
- 5 RESEARCH PROTECTIONS REALLY, ALTHOUGH THERE
- 6 ARE MANY, MANY DETAILS IN THE FEDERAL REGS, REALLY
- 7 CONSIST OF TWO MAIN ITEMS. ONE, INFORMED CONSENT; TWO,
- 8 OVERSIGHT, MONITORING, AND APPROVAL BY AN INSTITUTIONAL
- 9 REVIEW BOARD; THAT IS, A BOARD THAT REVIEWS THE ETHICS
- 10 OF RESEARCH PROTOCOLS.
- 11 NOW, THE CONSENT ISSUE IN MANY WAYS IS TAKEN
- 12 CARE OF BY STATE LAW. YOU SIMPLY CAN'T TAKE EMBRYOS
- 13 FROM SOMEBODY WITHOUT THEIR CONSENT AS A MATTER OF
- 14 STATE LAW, WHETHER IT'S GROUNDED IN FAMILY LAW,
- 15 PROPERTY LAW, QUASI-PROPERTY LAW, OR ANY OTHER COMMON
- 16 LAW THEORY AS YET UNARTICULATED. THE KIND OF LEGAL
- 17 STATUS OF EMBRYOS IS QUITE VARIED DEPENDING UPON THE
- 18 STATE AND HOW THEY VIEW THEM.
- 19 BUT THE QUESTION OF IRB REVIEW IS ONE THAT IS
- 20 REALLY ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT YOU ARE GOING TO GO AHEAD
- 21 AND ABOVE AND BEYOND FEDERAL RULES REQUIRE THIS KIND OF
- 22 REVIEW BEFORE THE EMBRYOS CAN BE TAKEN FROM THESE
- 23 PARTIES. IN ADDITION, WITH REGARD TO HUMAN SUBJECTS
- 24 PROTECTIONS, IF YOU GO THIS ROUTE TO EXPAND IT AND EVEN
- 25 IF YOU DON'T, WHEN YOU HAVE TO ACTUALLY APPLY IT, THERE

- 1 ARE GOING TO BE SOME ADDITIONAL KIND OF NUTS AND BOLTS
- 2 DETAILS ABOUT HOW YOU ARE GOING TO GO ABOUT REVIEWING
- 3 THE CONSENT AND PROCUREMENT PROCESS FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE
- 4 DONATING EMBRYOS AS WELL AS OTHER BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS.
- 5 ONE MAJOR CONCERN THAT HAS COME UP IN OTHER
- 6 CONTEXTS, FOR EXAMPLE, IN THE CONTEXT OF FETAL TISSUE
- 7 RESEARCH, HAS BEEN HOW DO WE AVOID UNDUE INDUCEMENTS TO
- 8 ALTER BEHAVIOR THAT SHOULD REMAIN UNALTERED PRIOR TO
- 9 THE POINT OF DONATION. IN THE CONTEXT OF FETAL TISSUE
- 10 RESEARCH, IT WAS HOW DO WE MAKE SURE THAT PERSONAL
- 11 DECISIONS ABOUT ABORTIONS AND CLINICAL DECISIONS ABOUT
- 12 HOW TO PERFORM ABORTIONS ARE COMPLETELY UNAFFECTED BY
- 13 THE POSSIBILITY DOWNSTREAM OF USING TISSUE FROM A FETAL
- 14 CADAVER FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES. THE ANALOGY HERE IN THE
- 15 AREA OF EMBRYO DONATION WOULD BE HOW DO WE ASSURE THAT
- 16 THE CLINICAL EXPERIENCE OF PEOPLE WHO ARE ENTERING A
- 17 FERTILITY CLINIC IS ABSOLUTELY UNALTERED BY THE
- 18 POSSIBILITY DOWNSTREAM THAT THEY MIGHT BE DONATING SOME
- 19 OF THEIR SURPLUS EMBRYOS TO RESEARCH.
- 20 FOR SOME THE ANSWER HAS BEEN DON'T EVER
- 21 MENTION RESEARCH POSSIBILITIES UNTIL THE CLINICAL WORK
- 22 HAS BEEN COMPLETED, UNTIL PEOPLE HAVE MADE THEIR
- 23 DECISION ABOUT FURTHER USE, OFFERING UP FOR ADOPTION TO
- 24 OTHER COUPLES, OR DISCARD, AND ONLY AT THAT POINT
- 25 SIGNAL TO PEOPLE, IF THEY'VE CHOSEN DISCARD, THAT YOU

- 1 MIGHT ALSO CHOOSE RESEARCH, WHICH FUNCTIONALLY WILL
- 2 DISCARD THE EMBRYOS, BUT ALLOW RESEARCH AS WELL.
- 3 LOGISTICALLY THIS TURNS OUT TO BE PROBLEMATIC
- 4 BECAUSE, INDEED, IN MANY CIRCUMSTANCES PEOPLE ENTER THE
- 5 FERTILITY CLINICS ALREADY ASKING ABOUT THINGS LIKE
- 6 RESEARCH USES DOWNSTREAM, AND ONE WOULD NOT, BY VIRTUE
- 7 OF THE USUAL RULES OF MEDICAL ETHICS BE PERMITTED TO
- 8 LIE TO THEM AND SAY SUCH A THING DOESN'T EXIST. AND
- 9 THEREFORE, ONE GETS INTO A BIT OF A CONUNDRUM. AND IF
- 10 YOU LOOK AT OTHER GUIDELINES THAT HAVE BEEN ISSUED, FOR
- 11 EXAMPLE, ISRAELI GUIDELINES, SOME OF THEM ACTUALLY
- 12 SPECIFICALLY SAY ALL ENDSTREAM POSSIBILITIES SHOULD BE
- 13 MENTIONED AT THE OUTSET SO THAT PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THE
- 14 OPTIONS THAT WILL BE PRESENTED OVER TIME.
- 15 THE KEY, HOWEVER, IS IN THE WAY THESE
- 16 GUIDELINES ARE WRITTEN, TO MAKE SURE THAT THE ACTUAL
- 17 CONSENT, THE ACTUAL DECISION ABOUT DISPOSITION OF
- 18 EMBRYOS DOES NOT GET MADE UNTIL THE LAST MOMENT. THAT
- 19 IS, PEOPLE DO NOT DECIDE PROSPECTIVELY THAT THEY'RE
- 20 GOING TO BE DONATING X NUMBER OF EMBRYOS TO RESEARCH;
- 21 BUT ONLY AFTER THEY HAVE COMPLETED THEIR CLINICAL
- 22 EXPERIENCE, DO THEY ACTUALLY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
- 23 DISCUSS THIS AGAIN AND TO MAKE A FINAL DECISION ABOUT
- 24 THE DONATION PROCESS.
- 25 IN ADDITION, THERE ARE GUIDELINES IN

- 1 DIFFERENT COUNTRIES AND GUIDELINES THAT HAVE BEEN
- 2 SUGGESTED IN DIFFERENT JOURNAL ARTICLES THAT FOCUS ON
- 3 THE ROLE OF THE PERSONNEL TO, FOR EXAMPLE, DISCUSS
- 4 WHETHER OR NOT THERE IS A NEED FOR SOME DEGREE OF
- 5 SEPARATION BETWEEN THE PERSONNEL IN THE CLINICAL
- 6 SETTING AND THE INVESTIGATORS AND THE INVESTIGATIVE
- 7 TEAM THAT WANTS TO DERIVE A CELL LINE IN ORDER TO AVOID
- 8 ANY DEGREE OF PERCEPTION, ACTUAL OR NOT, WHETHER THERE
- 9 IS OR NOT, OF A KIND OF COLLABORATION TO STEER PEOPLE
- 10 TOWARD DONATION OF EMBRYOS RATHER THAN, AGAIN, KEEPING
- 11 THE CLINICAL EXPERIENCE COMPLETELY INDEPENDENT OF THE
- 12 RESEARCH POSSIBILITIES.
- 13 GIVEN THAT IRB REVIEW TENDS TO BE FAIRLY
- 14 STRUCTURED IN FEDERAL REGULATIONS, THERE WERE VERY
- 15 SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS ABOUT THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE IRB,
- 16 ABOUT THE WAY THE MINUTES SHOULD BE TAKEN, AND ABOUT
- 17 THE FREQUENCY WITH WHICH PROTOCOLS MUST BE REVIEWED,
- 18 AGAIN, IN A KIND OF MONITORING CAPACITY, ETC., EVEN
- 19 VOTING RULES AND HOW THE QUORUM IS CALCULATED. GIVEN
- 20 THAT THERE ARE THESE VERY PARTICULARIZED RULES, ONE OF
- 21 THE OTHER OUESTIONS ABOUT OVERSIGHT OF THE CONSENT
- 22 PROCESS THAT YOU MIGHT WANT TO CONSIDER IS SHALL WE
- 23 EVER UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT INVESTIGATORS TO
- 24 FOLLOW A PROCESS IN A DIFFERENT STATE OR COUNTRY THAT
- 25 OFFERS SUBSTANTIVELY EQUIVALENT PROTECTIONS IN TERMS OF

- 1 CONCERN ABOUT INFORMED CONSENT, CONCERN ABOUT UNDUE
- 2 INDUCEMENTS, CONCERN ABOUT SEPARATION OF PERSONNEL, BUT
- 3 DOESN'T NECESSARILY FOLLOW ALL THE SAME PROCEDURAL
- 4 PATHWAYS TO ACCOMPLISHING THOSE GOALS.
- 5 I POINT THIS OUT TO YOU SIMPLY BECAUSE
- 6 EMBRYONIC STEM CELL RESEARCH IS INDEED A COLLABORATIVE
- 7 FIELD. AND FREQUENTLY THE COLLABORATIONS TAKE PLACE
- 8 ACROSS INSTITUTIONS, ACROSS STATE LINES, AND ACROSS
- 9 NATIONAL LINES. AND CURRENTLY THERE IS A FAIR DEGREE
- 10 OF VARIATION. WITHIN THE UNITED STATES IRB PROCEDURES
- 11 ARE UNIFORM BECAUSE THEY'RE DICTATED BY FEDERAL RULES;
- 12 BUT AS SOON AS YOU COLLABORATE TRANSNATIONALLY, YOU
- 13 WILL BE IN A SITUATION WHERE THERE ARE COLLABORATIVE
- 14 INVESTIGATORS WORKING WITH YOUR FUNDED INVESTIGATORS
- 15 WHO HAVE ALREADY GONE THROUGH A PROCEDURE IN THEIR OWN
- 16 COUNTRY; FOR EXAMPLE, GETTING A LICENSE FROM THE UNITED
- 17 KINGDOM'S HUMAN FERTILIZATION EMBRYOLOGY AUTHORITY.
- 18 YOU HAVE THE OPTION OF INSISTING UPON
- 19 MULTIPLE REVIEWS. YOUR INVESTIGATORS GET REVIEWED
- 20 HERE, THE COLLABORATORS REVIEWED THERE, EVERYBODY HAS
- 21 TO FOLLOW THEIR OWN RULES, OR YOU CAN HAVE A SYSTEM OF
- 22 COMITY IN WHICH THERE IS MUTUAL RECOGNITION, BUT THAT,
- 23 OF COURSE, WOULD REQUIRE SOME ATTENTION TO THE OTHER
- 24 COUNTRIES' SYSTEMS AND PROCESSES AND AN EVALUATION BY
- 25 SOMEBODY OF WHETHER OR NOT THEY COMPORT WITH YOUR

- 1 NOTION OF WHAT IS CONSISTENT WITH YOUR ETHICAL
- 2 STANDARDS.
- 3 NEXT, CONTINUING ON THE ISSUE OF INFORMED
- 4 CONSENT -- CONTINUING ON WITH INFORMED CONSENT, BECAUSE
- 5 THIS IS A VERY CONTROVERSIAL AREA OF RESEARCH AND A
- 6 VERY NEW AREA OF RESEARCH, THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF
- 7 ATTENTION, PARTICULARLY IN THE ACADEMIC LITERATURE, TO
- 8 IDENTIFYING THE ELEMENTS OF INFORMED CONSENT. THAT IS,
- 9 WHAT KIND OF INFORMATION MUST PEOPLE BE GIVEN BEFORE WE
- 10 CAN TRULY CONSIDER THEM INFORMED WHEN THEY MAKE A
- 11 VOLUNTARY DECISION TO DONATE. IT'S A PARTICULARLY
- 12 ACTIVE DISCUSSION IN THE UNITED STATES BECAUSE,
- 13 FRANKLY, WE'RE ABOUT 25 YEARS BEHIND THE REST OF THE
- 14 DEVELOPED WORLD IN EMBRYO RESEARCH BECAUSE OF A LACK OF
- 15 FEDERAL FUNDING IN THIS AREA SINCE 1980.
- AS A RESULT, ALTHOUGH THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF
- 17 DISCUSSION AMONG ACADEMICS AND BIOETHICISTS ABOUT
- 18 CONSENT IN THE AREA OF EMBRYO RESEARCH, THERE'S BEEN
- 19 RELATIVELY LITTLE ON-THE-GROUND EMBRYO RESEARCH THROUGH
- 20 PRIVATE FUNDING, AND SO VERY LITTLE VETTING THROUGH
- 21 PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE OF WHAT KINDS OF CONSENT IS, IN
- 22 FACT, SATISFACTORY TO PEOPLE AS RESEARCH AREAS EVOLVE,
- 23 AS USES OF CELL LINES EVOLVE, AND AS CLINICAL
- 24 APPLICATIONS EVOLVE.
- 25 SO THERE'S A FAIRLY LONG LIST OF THINGS.

- 1 AGAIN, JUST THE QUESTION IS DO YOU THINK THAT THEY NEED
- 2 TO BE INCLUDED AS A REQUIREMENT FOR ALL CIRM-FUNDED
- 3 INVESTIGATORS? DO YOU THINK IT'S SIMPLY EXHORTATORY TO
- 4 THE LOCAL INSTITUTIONS WHERE THE IRB REVIEW IS TAKING
- 5 PLACE? OR DO YOU TAKE NO POSITION AT ALL ON WHETHER OR
- 6 NOT THESE ELEMENTS SHOULD BE INCLUDED? THE FOLLOWING
- 7 LIST OF ELEMENTS IS DRAWN FROM THE KIND OF COLLECTIVE
- 8 SET OF ELEMENTS THAT YOU WILL SEE IN GUIDELINES ALREADY
- 9 PUBLISHED FROM AROUND THE WORLD, THE U.K., SINGAPORE,
- 10 CANADA, ISRAEL, AND AUSTRALIA.
- 11 ONE OF THE FIRST OUESTIONS THAT HAS TO BE
- 12 ASKED IS FROM WHOM DOES CONSENT HAVE TO BE SOUGHT.
- 13 MOST TYPICALLY YOU THINK OF THE COUPLE, RIGHT, THE
- 14 PARENTS OF THE EMBRYO, BUT IT'S CERTAINLY NOT QUITE AS
- 15 STRAIGHTFORWARD AS THAT. ABOUT 8 TO 10 PERCENT OF THE
- 16 EMBRYOS THAT ARE CURRENTLY FROZEN IN THE UNITED STATES
- 17 ARE ESTIMATED -- THERE'S AN ESTIMATED 8 TO 10 PERCENT
- 18 OF THE EMBRYOS IN THE UNITED STATES THAT ARE UNDERSTOOD
- 19 TO HAVE DONOR GAMETES. THAT IS, A COUPLE COMES IN,
- 20 THEY WANT TO MAKE AN EMBRYO, ONE OR THE OTHER PARTNERS
- 21 IS INFERTILE OR HAS A GENETIC PROBLEM THAT HE OR SHE
- 22 DOES NOT WISH TO PASS ALONG; THEREFORE, THEY USE EITHER
- 23 DONATED SPERM OR, FAR LESS FREQUENTLY, DONATED EGGS.
- 24 BECAUSE DONATION PRACTICES HAVE USUALLY IN
- 25 THE UNITED STATES BEEN ANONYMOUS, YOU WILL HAVE SPERM

- 1 BANKS OR INDIVIDUAL PHYSICIANS RECRUITING DONORS AND
- 2 THEN PASSING ON THE GAMETES WITHOUT ANY PERSONAL
- 3 INFORMATION ABOUT THE DONORS, USUALLY JUST SOME MINIMAL
- 4 MEDICAL INFORMATION FOR THE FAMILY TO RETAIN. IT CAN
- 5 BE VERY DIFFICULT TO GO BACK AND IDENTIFY THOSE
- 6 ORIGINAL GAMETE DONORS. THE RECORDS MAY OR MAY NOT
- 7 EXIST, BUT CERTAINLY THEY WILL NOT HAVE BEEN UPDATED IF
- 8 THE DONATION WAS MADE MANY YEARS AGO. IT MAY BE JUST
- 9 LOGISTICALLY DIFFICULT TO IDENTIFY THE LOCATION AND
- 10 PHONE NUMBER OF THESE DONORS, EVEN IF YOU CAN IDENTIFY
- 11 THEM PERSONALLY.
- 12 IN ADDITION, THE DONORS HAD EXPECTED COMPLETE
- 13 ANONYMITY AT THE TIME OF DONATION AND MIGHT BE RATHER
- 14 SURPRISED TO BE RECONTACTED. NONETHELESS, THERE ARE
- 15 OTHER PEOPLE WHO HAVE ARGUED THAT IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT
- 16 PEOPLE WHO DONATED GAMETES, EXPECTING THEM TO BE USED
- 17 FOR REPRODUCTIVE PURPOSES, MUST BE RECONTACTED AND
- 18 ASKED IF IT IS ACCEPTABLE FOR THOSE RESULTING EMBRYOS
- 19 TO NOW BE USED FOR SOMETHING OTHER THAN REPRODUCTIVE
- 20 PURPOSE; FOR EXAMPLE, RESEARCH. THIS HAS BEEN ARGUED
- 21 IN A NUMBER OF ACADEMIC SETTINGS.
- 22 IT HAS THE OBVIOUS LOGISTICAL PROBLEM OF HOW
- ONE WOULD GO ABOUT DOING IT. THERE IS, OF COURSE, THE
- 24 OPTION OF SIMPLY EXCLUDING FROM ELIGIBILITY FOR
- 25 DERIVATION PURPOSE ALL EMBRYOS THAT HAVE DONOR GAMETES

- 1 AS A WAY OF EVADING THE PROBLEM. THAT WILL
- 2 FUNCTIONALLY REDUCE BY ABOUT 10 PERCENT THE AVAILABLE
- 3 POPULATION OF EMBRYOS FOR CELL DERIVATIONS.
- 4 NONETHELESS, THERE IS NO SINGLE ANSWER THAT
- 5 HAS BEEN ADOPTED INTERNATIONALLY ON THIS QUESTION. IT
- 6 IS SIMPLY ONE THAT SEEMS TO APPEAR PERIODICALLY WITH
- 7 DIFFERENT COUNTRIES COMING TO DIFFERENT CONCLUSIONS
- 8 ABOUT HOW TO HANDLE IT.
- 9 NEXT, IN THE CONTEXT OF THE ACTUAL
- 10 INFORMATION THAT YOU'RE GOING TO BE GIVING OUT, WILL IT
- 11 INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING KINDS OF ITEMS THAT TEND TO
- 12 APPEAR IN THE INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINES, INFORMATION
- 13 ABOUT POSSIBLE CLINICAL USES, MANY OF WHICH MAY BE
- 14 MANY, MANY YEARS DOWN THE LINE. ANY RESTRICTIONS ON
- 15 SO-CALLED DIRECTED DONATION. DIRECTED DONATION MEANS I
- 16 DONATE MATERIALS ON THE CONDITION THAT THEY BE USED FOR
- 17 THE BENEFIT OF A PARTICULAR PERSON. OBVIOUSLY IN THE
- 18 CASE OF AUTOLOGOUS TRANSPLANTATION THAT FOLLOWS ON
- 19 SOMATIC CELL NUCLEAR TRANSFER, SOMETHING THAT IS STILL
- 20 OUT IN THE FUTURE, DIRECTED DONATION WOULD BE REQUIRED
- 21 BECAUSE IT'S AUTOLOGOUS TRANSPLANTATION TO ONE'S SELF.
- OUTSIDE THAT ONE CONTEXT, HOWEVER,
- 23 RESTRICTIONS ON DIRECTED DONATION HAVE APPEARED IN
- 24 OTHER GUIDELINES. IN THIS CASE THE FETAL TISSUE
- 25 GUIDELINES THAT THE -- REGULATIONS THAT THE FEDERAL

- 1 GOVERNMENT HAS WHICH SPECIFICALLY PROHIBIT THE DIRECTED
- 2 DONATION OF FETAL TISSUE TO A PARTICULAR PERSON.
- 3 AGAIN, THE POINT OF THE DIRECTED DONATION
- 4 LIMITS HAS BEEN TO AVOID EVEN THE MEREST GLIMMER OF A
- 5 POSSIBILITY THAT SOMEBODY'S DECISION ABOUT DONATION
- 6 WILL BE INFLUENCED BY THE PROSPECT OF DIRECTLY
- 7 BENEFITING A KNOWN PERSON. AS FAR AS I KNOW, THERE HAS
- 8 NEVER BEEN ANY EMPIRICAL EVIDENCE THAT THIS HAS, IN
- 9 FACT, HAS AFFECTED ANYBODY'S DECISIONS; FOR EXAMPLE, IN
- 10 THE CONTEXT OF ABORTION AND FETAL TISSUE RESEARCH, BUT
- 11 EVEN AS A HYPOTHETICAL POSSIBILITY HAS DRIVEN THE
- 12 POLICY MAKING IN THIS AREA.
- 13 NEXT, SOME KIND OF NOTICE ABOUT THE KIND OF
- 14 INFORMATION ABOUT THE DONORS AND THEIR MEDICAL RECORDS
- 15 THAT WILL BE RETAINED TO ACCOMPANY THE CELL LINES ALONG
- 16 WITH THE METHODS BY WHICH THAT INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT
- 17 SEPARATE FROM THE DONORS' IDENTITIES. THIS IS
- 18 SOMETHING THAT IS NOT ONLY COMING UP IN GUIDELINES
- 19 AROUND THE WORLD AS A MATTER OF MEDICAL ETHICS, IT'S
- 20 ALSO COMING UP BECAUSE OF ITS DIRECT IMPLICATIONS FOR
- 21 WHETHER OR NOT WORK WITH THE RESULTING CELL LINES
- 22 CONSTITUTES FUNCTIONALLY WORK ON THE DONORS. WE'LL GET
- 23 TO THAT IN A MOMENT. AND ALSO TO KIND OF ANTICIPATE
- 24 SOMETHING COMING UP NEXT OR ALMOST NEXT, IT WILL AFFECT
- 25 HOW YOU MANAGE THE MEDICAL PRIVACY PROTECTIONS THAT ARE

- 1 REQUIRED UNDER THE FEDERAL HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY
- 2 AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT, THE SO-CALLED HIPPA PRIVACY
- 3 RULE.
- 4 ITEM D ON MY LIST OF ELEMENTS IN INFORMED
- 5 CONSENT THAT NEEDED SOME ATTENTION AND DECISION-MAKING
- 6 BY THE ICOC OR BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE, WHETHER OR
- 7 NOT THE DONORS ARE GOING TO HAVE ANY CHOICE ABOUT
- 8 WHETHER OR NOT THEY WOULD IN THE FUTURE EVER BE
- 9 RECONTACTED FOR ANY PURPOSE. THIS CAN BECOME A VERY
- 10 COMPLEX ISSUE. LET ME JUST GIVE AN EXAMPLE OF A
- 11 SITUATION THAT MIGHT ILLUMINATE IT.
- 12 YOU COLLECT EMBRYOS FROM EMBRYO DONORS, AND
- 13 YOU DERIVE A NEW EMBRYONIC STEM CELL LINE. THE LINE
- 14 THEN IS USED FOR RESEARCH BY RESEARCHERS AT
- 15 INSTITUTIONS A, B, AND C THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA. THE
- 16 RESEARCHERS AT INSTITUTION C, WORKING JUST WITH THE
- 17 CELL LINE, AND THE CELL LINE IS CODED CELL LINE 1234,
- 18 ALONG WITH SOME MEDICAL AND GENETIC INFORMATION FROM
- 19 THE DONORS WITH NO PERSONAL IDENTITIES. AND
- 20 INVESTIGATORS AT INSTITUTION C, WORKING WITH CELL LINES
- 21 DISCOVER SOMETHING VERY INTERESTING. THEY MAKE AN
- OBSERVATION ABOUT A PARTICULAR GENETIC MUTATION, ONE
- 23 THAT PERHAPS AT THE TIME OF THE DONATION WAS NOT KNOWN
- 24 TO HAVE CLINICAL SIGNIFICANCE TO ANY PHYSICIAN, BUT
- 25 SINCE THEN, BECAUSE OF THE EVOLVING NATURE OF MEDICAL

- 1 RESEARCH, AS WE SAW TODAY IN THE CF TALK, HAS NOW COME
- 2 TO BE UNDERSTOOD TO BE POTENTIALLY CLINICALLY
- 3 SIGNIFICANT.
- 4 NOW THE RESEARCHERS AT INSTITUTION C ARE
- 5 FACED WITH AN INTERESTING QUESTION. WE SEE SOMETHING
- 6 IN THE CELLULAR MATERIAL THAT WAS DERIVED FROM THE
- 7 EMBRYOS THAT WERE DONATED. IT'S POSSIBLE, THEREFORE,
- 8 THAT WE'VE LEARNED SOMETHING THAT MIGHT BE OF INTEREST
- 9 TO THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO DONATED, MIGHT EVEN BE OF
- 10 PERSONAL BENEFIT MEDICALLY. OF COURSE, WE'VE CAREFULLY
- 11 MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE RESEARCHERS TO KNOW THE
- 12 PERSONAL IDENTITY OF THESE DONORS. TWO QUESTIONS. DO
- 13 YOU WANT TO MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO RECONTACT THOSE DONORS
- 14 UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES? IF SO, THEN YOU'RE GOING TO
- 15 NEED TO GIVE DONORS A CHOICE TO SAY YEA OR NAY TO THIS
- 16 BECAUSE SOME PEOPLE SIMPLY DON'T WANT TO KNOW
- 17 INFORMATION, ESPECIALLY INFORMATION THAT MIGHT NOT BE
- 18 USEFUL IMMEDIATELY, INFORMATION THAT'S AMBIGUOUS,
- 19 INFORMATION ABOUT DISEASES THAT HAVE NO CURE.
- JUST AS AN ASIDE, MANY PEOPLE HERE WHO
- 21 PRACTICE MEDICINE IN THE REPRODUCTIVE AREA ARE PROBABLY
- 22 FAMILIAR WITH THE RANGE OF PRENATAL TESTS THAT NOW GIVE
- 23 RESULTS ABOUT SEEMING ABNORMALITIES FOR WHICH THERE IS
- 24 NO KNOWN CLINICAL SEQUELAE. JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT IT
- 25 MEANS. YOU TELL WOMEN THAT THEY'VE GOT THIS

- 1 ABNORMALITY, BUT YOU CAN'T TELL THEM WHETHER OR NOT
- 2 IT'S A PROBLEM, AND IT'S QUITE ANXIETY INDUCING. THERE
- 3 ARE REASONS WHY PEOPLE SOMETIMES DON'T WANT TO HAVE
- 4 INFORMATION. OTHER PEOPLE WANT IT ALL AND WOULD RATHER
- 5 MANAGE IT THEMSELVES.
- 6 SO WE HAVE TO DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT YOU WANT
- 7 TO MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO SEND THAT INFORMATION BACK UP
- 8 THE LINE TO ORIGINAL DONORS. IF SO, THEY HAVE TO BE
- 9 GIVEN A CHOICE ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT TO RECEIVE THE
- 10 INFORMATION, AND IN ADDITION, YOU HAVE TO ANTICIPATE A
- 11 METHOD BY WHICH YOU CAN -- SOMEBODY EVALUATES WHETHER
- 12 OR NOT THE INFORMATION IS IMPORTANT ENOUGH TO SEND UP
- 13 THE LINE, HOW SHOULD IT BE MANAGED SO THAT THE
- 14 INFORMATION IS USEFUL WITHOUT BEING UNDULY ANXIETY
- 15 PROVOKING, WHO SHOULD ACTUALLY DELIVER THE INFORMATION.
- 16 THE INVESTIGATORS, FOR EXAMPLE, ARE NOT CLINICAL
- 17 PRACTITIONERS, CERTAINLY NOT IN THE BEST POSITION TO
- 18 DELIVER MEDICAL INFORMATION. YOU CAN IMAGINE HERE SOME
- 19 VERY SIGNIFICANT LOGISTICAL PROBLEMS.
- 20 YOU ARE NOT ON YOUR OWN IN THIS AREA. THIS
- 21 COMES UP IN ALL TISSUE REPOSITORIES. IT IS NOT UNIOUE
- TO EMBRYONIC STEM CELL RESEARCH OR EMBRYO RESEARCH.
- 23 AND POLICIES ABOUT THIS ARE IN PLACE AT MOST, IF NOT
- 24 ALL, TISSUE BANKS AND IN MANY HOSPITALS WHERE TISSUES
- 25 ARE COLLECTED, FOR EXAMPLE, RESIDUAL TISSUE FROM

- 1 SURGICAL PROCEDURES OR EXTRA BLOOD FROM BLOOD DRAWS, SO
- 2 THERE ARE MANY EXAMPLES OF EXTANT GUIDELINES ON HOW TO
- 3 EITHER ELIMINATE THE POSSIBILITY OF RECONTACT IN ORDER
- 4 TO KEEP THINGS SIMPLE; OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAXIMIZE
- 5 POTENTIAL BENEFIT TO DONORS, TO PERMIT RECONTACT WITH A
- 6 VERY DETAILED PROTOCOL FOR HOW TO GO ABOUT IT.
- 7 IRB'S ARE OFTEN VERY IMPORTANT IN THIS
- 8 PROCESS AND IN SOME CASES SERVE AS THE VEHICLE BY WHICH
- 9 INFORMATION IS BROUGHT INTO A BODY FOR EVALUATION AND A
- 10 PROTOCOL FOR RELEASING IT TO THE DONORS OR PATIENTS IS
- 11 THEN DEVELOPED.
- 12 ITEM E WITH REGARD TO ELEMENTS OF INFORMED
- 13 CONSENT. HOW MUCH SHOULD BE TOLD TO YOUR POTENTIAL
- 14 DONORS ABOUT THE RANGE OF RESEARCH USES? THERE ARE
- 15 RESEARCH USES THAT ARE COMING DOWN THE PIKE THAT ARE
- 16 PROBABLY GOING TO SOUND VERY ALARMING TO MOST MEMBERS
- 17 OF THE PUBLIC. THESE MIGHT INCLUDE GENETIC
- 18 MANIPULATION OF THE EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS. THAT IS
- 19 ALREADY GOING ON IF ONLY TO JUST INSERT MARKERS SO THAT
- 20 ONE CAN ACTUALLY OBSERVE WHERE THE CELLS ARE
- 21 DIFFERENTIATING. AND SECOND, THE COMBINATION OF HUMAN
- 22 AND NONHUMAN CELLS, SUCH AS THE EXPERIMENTS THAT HAVE
- 23 ALREADY BEEN DONE WITH NONHUMAN CELLS INTO CHICKEN EGGS
- 24 IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO SEE HOW THE STEM CELLS ARE
- 25 DIFFERENTIATING, VERY HELPFUL TO PUT THEM INTO A

- 1 DIFFERENT ORGANISM SO THAT YOU CAN CLEARLY DISTINGUISH
- 2 BETWEEN THE STEM CELLS, WHICH CAME FROM ORGANISM A AND
- 3 THE EXISTING TISSUE WHICH CAME FROM ORGANISM B. AS
- 4 SOON AS YOU TALK ABOUT HUMAN/NONHUMAN COMBINATIONS OF
- 5 ANY SORT, EVEN IF THEY ARE, IN FACT, ALREADY PREVALENT.
- 6 THERE MIGHT EVEN BE SOMEBODY HERE WHO'S HAD A
- 7 PIG VALVE PUT INTO THEM FOR HEART VALVE TRANSPLANT.
- 8 HUMAN/NONHUMAN COMBINATIONS RAISE EYEBROWS, RAISE
- 9 ANTENNAE, AND FOR SOME PEOPLE MIGHT SIMPLY VIOLATE
- 10 THEIR OWN PERSONAL NOTIONS OF WHAT WE OUGHT TO BE DOING
- 11 WITH THE NATURAL WORLD. GENETIC ENGINEERING FALLS INTO
- 12 THE SAME CATEGORY. SHOULD THESE KINDS OF POTENTIAL
- 13 RESEARCH USES OF STEM CELL LINES BE SPELLED OUT TO
- 14 POTENTIAL DONORS? AND GIVEN THAT WE CAN'T ANTICIPATE
- 15 EVERY POSSIBLE EXPERIMENT THAT MAY COME TO BE SEEN AS
- 16 IMPORTANT, HOW DO YOU COMMUNICATE TO PEOPLE A RANGE OF
- 17 RESEARCH POSSIBILITIES THAT AREN'T YET KNOWN?
- 18 AND FINALLY, IN THAT CONTEXT, IF YOU DECIDE
- 19 TO DO THIS, TO TRY TO SPELL OUT THESE RESEARCH USES TO
- 20 GIVE PEOPLE MORE AND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS BEFORE
- 21 THEY DONATE, HOW MUCH DO YOU EXPECT THAT TO LIMIT YOU?
- 22 THAT IS, IF YOU DID NOT KNOW OF A PARTICULAR EXPERIMENT
- 23 AT THE TIME THE DONATION WAS MADE, DOES THAT MEAN THIS
- 24 CELL LINE CANNOT BE USED FOR ANY EXPERIMENT THAT WAS
- NOT SPECIFICALLY NOTICED TO THE DONORS, OR IS THERE

- 1 SOME KIND OF BROAD CATCHALL FOR ALL POTENTIAL RESEARCH
- 2 USES TO WHICH PEOPLE CAN CONSENT, A KIND OF WAIVER IN
- 3 WHICH PEOPLE ESSENTIALLY ARE WAIVING THEIR PRIVILEGE OF
- 4 HEARING A DETAILED RECITATION OF PERMISSIBLE USES WITH
- 5 NO FURTHER USE PERMITTED.
- 6 THESE ARE THE KINDS OF NUTS AND BOLTS DETAILS
- 7 THAT OFTEN HAVE TO GET IRONED OUT BEFORE CONSENT
- 8 PROCESS CAN BEGIN. AND THERE ARE EXAMPLES OF CONSENT
- 9 FORMS THAT HAVE BEEN USED IN OTHER INSTITUTIONS THAT
- 10 ACTUALLY HAVE WORKED THROUGH THESE PROBLEMS TO THEIR
- 11 OWN POLICY RESOLUTION. AND I'VE INCLUDED JUST ONE
- 12 EXAMPLE IN THE HANDOUTS. IT IS ONE OF MANY. AND I
- 13 DON'T BELIEVE ANYBODY WOULD ARGUE THERE IS A SINGLE
- 14 RIGHT ANSWER TO THESE QUESTIONS SO MUCH AS THESE ARE
- 15 QUESTIONS THAT MUST BE ANSWERED AT SOME POINT, AND THEN
- 16 THE CONSENT PROCESS AND THE DOCUMENTATION MUST REFLECT
- 17 THOSE POLICY DECISIONS.
- 18 NEXT ITEM ON THE LIST OF MANDATED TASKS FOR
- 19 THE ICOC IS TO SET STANDARDS ON THE PROHIBITION ON
- 20 COMPENSATION FOR RESEARCH DONORS AND PARTICIPANTS,
- 21 WHICH I READ AS APPLYING EQUALLY TO EMBRYO EGGS, SPERM,
- 22 AND SOMATIC CELL DONATION. IT SAYS IN THE INITIATIVE
- 23 QUITE SPECIFICALLY THAT IT'S LIMITED TO REIMBURSEMENT,
- 24 THAT IT IS NOT A PAYMENT SO THAT WE ARE NO LONGER ASKED
- 25 TO DEBATE THE QUESTION, THE ETHICS, OR THE LOGISTICS OF

- 1 THE SALE OF HUMAN TISSUE IN THESE CONTEXTS.
- 2 NEVERTHELESS, EVEN THE CONTEXT OF
- 3 REIMBURSEMENT HAS SOME AMBIGUITIES BUILT INTO IT. MANY
- 4 PEOPLE MAY THINK THAT THEY'RE ALREADY ANSWERED BY THE
- 5 LANGUAGE. SOMETIMES YOU MAY FIND IT WORTHWHILE TO
- 6 SIMPLY MAKE IT THAT MUCH MORE EXPLICIT SO THERE'S NO
- 7 POSSIBILITY FOR CONFUSION.
- 8 ONE IS WHAT CONSTITUTES THE LIMIT ON
- 9 REIMBURSEMENT. ACTUAL OUT-OF-POCKET COULD BE QUITE
- 10 OUTLANDISH IF SOMEBODY CHOSE TO SPEND A GREAT DEAL OF
- 11 MONEY IN THE CONTEXT OF TRANSPORT TO THE SITE FOR
- 12 DONATION. SO IS THERE GOING TO BE A LIMITATION TO
- 13 REASONABLE OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES, AS IS TYPICALLY THE
- 14 CASE IN STATE REIMBURSEMENT RULES? BUT IF THERE IS,
- 15 THEN THERE IS GOING TO HAVE TO BE SOME PERSON SOMEWHERE
- 16 WHO MAKES A JUDGMENT ABOUT WHAT CONSTITUTES REASONABLE.
- 17 SO JUST AS A LOGISTICAL MATTER, AS SOON AS YOU ADD A
- 18 GLOSS, YOU'VE ALSO GOT TO ADD A PERSON.
- 19 SECOND, ALTHOUGH IT SAYS NO PAYMENT, ONLY
- 20 REIMBURSEMENT, AND FORGIVE ME IF I WAS MISREADING IT, I
- 21 DIDN'T SEE AN EXPLICIT DEFINITION OF REIMBURSEMENT THAT
- 22 WOULD ABSOLUTELY CLEARLY PRECLUDE REIMBURSEMENT FOR
- 23 LOST TIME AT WORK OR LOST WAGES. IF THAT'S THERE AND I
- 24 MISSED IT, I APOLOGIZE. IF IT'S NOT THERE AND IT'S
- ONLY IMPLICIT IN THE NO-PAYMENT PROVISION, IT IS

- 1 SOMETHING WHICH YOU CAN CERTAINLY MAKE MORE EXPLICIT AS
- 2 YOU WRITE THE GUIDELINES THAT FOLLOW ON THESE RULES.
- 3 AND THEN FINALLY, AGAIN, IMPLICIT, BUT NOT
- 4 EXPLICIT, WITHIN THIS PROVISION IS WHETHER OR NOT THERE
- 5 IS A PROHIBITION ON IN-KIND INCENTIVES OR REWARDS OR
- 6 THANK YOUS OF ANY SORT. AND ONE THAT HAS BEEN RAISED
- 7 AS A MATTER OF CONCERN BY SOME AS A POTENTIAL GOOD
- 8 INDUCEMENT BY OTHERS HAS BEEN DISCOUNTS ON FERTILITY
- 9 PROCEDURES. THIS IS DECRIED BY SOME AS AN UNDUE
- 10 INDUCEMENT TO RELEASE EMBRYOS FOR RESEARCH. FOR OTHERS
- 11 WHO SEE IVF AS OUT OF REACH FOR POOR PEOPLE AND WOULD
- 12 LIKE TO SEE IT EXPANDED, THEY SEE IT AS AN OPPORTUNITY
- 13 TO MAKE MORE AVAILABLE.
- 14 REGARDLESS OF WHERE YOU STAND ON THIS, IT'S
- 15 IMPORTANT THAT PEOPLE ABSOLUTELY UNDERSTAND AT THE
- 16 CLINIC LEVEL WHETHER OR NOT THEY'RE ENTITLED TO GIVE
- 17 ANYTHING IN THE NATURE OF A DISCOUNT OR EVEN JUST
- 18 ALLOWING SOMEBODY TO GO TO THE HEAD OF THE LINE AND
- 19 SKIP THE USUAL APPOINTMENT PROCESS. SO ATTENTION TO
- 20 IN-KIND AS WELL AS CASH ISSUES CAN HELP YOU BE
- 21 EXPLICIT, CLEAR, BEYOND CONFUSION IN THE APPLICATION OF
- 22 YOUR STANDARDS.
- 23 NEXT, PATIENT PRIVACY LAWS. PROP 71 ASKED
- 24 YOU TO SET STANDARDS THAT ASSURE COMPLIANCE WITH STATE
- 25 AND FEDERAL PATIENT PRIVACY LAWS. NOW, THERE ARE GOING

- 1 TO BE TWO MAJOR SOURCES FOR PATIENT PRIVACY RULES IN
- 2 THE UNITED STATES. ONE, AS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED, IS
- 3 GOING TO BE THE RULES GOVERNING RESEARCH WITH HUMAN
- 4 SUBJECTS. WHERE THOSE ARE TRIGGERED, THERE ARE GOING
- 5 TO BE A VARIETY OF RULES ABOUT HOW TO MAINTAIN THE
- 6 CONFIDENTIALITY OF THE DONORS AND KEEP THAT SEPARATE
- 7 FROM THE MEDICAL OR GENETIC INFORMATION THAT YOU ARE
- 8 GOING TO WANT TO COLLECT AND HAVE ASSOCIATED WITH CELL
- 9 LINES SO THAT OVER THE YEARS AS THEY'RE USED, YOU WILL
- 10 NEVER LOSE TRACK OF ANY RATHER PERTINENT INFORMATION
- 11 ABOUT THEIR ORIGINS MEDICALLY SPEAKING.
- 12 THOSE PRIVACY PROTECTIONS TEND TO BE OVERSEEN
- 13 BY AN IRB. SO THE INVESTIGATORS OR PEOPLE PROPOSING TO
- 14 DO A DERIVATION, FOR EXAMPLE, WOULD LAY OUT THEIR
- 15 PROPOSAL FOR HOW TO MAINTAIN THE CONFIDENTIALITY. WHAT
- 16 WILL THE CODING SYSTEM BE? HOW WILL THE CODE BE
- 17 BROKEN, IF NEEDED, AND WHO HOLDS THE KEYS TO BREAKING
- 18 THE CODE? AND WHAT STRICTURES ARE THEY UNDER TO NOT
- 19 BREAK IT EXCEPT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES? AND PROP
- 20 71, OF COURSE, SAYS THIS IS NOT INTENDED TO BREACH ANY
- 21 OTHER LAWS OUT THERE ABOUT PRIVACY, SO KEEP IN MIND
- THERE ARE SOMETIMES CRIMINAL LAW IN OTHER SETTINGS
- 23 WHICH WILL TRUMP ALL OF YOUR RULES ABOUT MEDICAL
- 24 PRIVACY. EVEN THERE, THERE ARE EXTRA OPPORTUNITIES FOR
- 25 THINGS SUCH AS CERTIFICATES OF CONFIDENTIALITY FROM THE

- 1 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO TRY TO PROTECT PEOPLE.
- 2 MOST OF THESE SITUATIONS ARE UNLIKELY TO
- 3 OCCUR, BUT IRB'S ARE GOOD AT ANTICIPATING THEM BECAUSE
- 4 THEY HAVE THAT KIND OF EXPERIENCE WITH THESE MORE
- 5 REMOTE SITUATIONS ABOUT BREACH OF CONFIDENTIALITY.
- 6 PROBABLY A LITTLE LESS FAMILIAR TO THE
- 7 RESEARCH COMMUNITY, ONLY FAMILIAR TO THE CLINICAL
- 8 COMMUNITY, ARE THE PROVISIONS OF THE HIPPA PRIVACY
- 9 RULE. NOW, THE HIPPA PRIVACY RULE BASICALLY SAYS THAT
- 10 YOU CAN'T DISCLOSE MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT PATIENTS
- 11 WITHOUT THEIR AUTHORIZATION. IF YOU ARE ONE OF THE,
- 12 AND MOST PEOPLE HERE WILL BE, MOST OF THE INSTITUTIONS
- 13 HERE WILL BE ONE OF THESE SO-CALLED COVERED ENTITIES,
- 14 THE ENTITIES THAT ARE COVERED BY THIS LAW, THAT WOULD
- 15 SEEM TO MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO TRANSMIT INFORMATION
- 16 ABOUT THE DONOR'S MEDICAL CONDITIONS AND GENETIC
- 17 CONDITIONS DOWN THE LINE WITH THE CELL LINES EXCEPT
- 18 THAT HIPPA HAS ITS OWN SET OF EXCEPTIONS.
- 19 FIRST, THE BIGGEST, OBVIOUSLY, YOU CAN GET
- 20 THE AUTHORIZATION, SO DONORS CAN SIGN AN AUTHORIZATION
- 21 AT THE OUTSET TO ALLOW FOR THE RELEASE OF THE
- 22 INFORMATION. SECOND, EVEN UNDER HIPPA, SUFFICIENT
- 23 DEGREE OF CODING AND OBSCURING OF PERSONAL IDENTITY
- 24 WILL ALLOW YOU TO USE MEDICAL INFORMATION WITHOUT AN
- 25 EXPLICIT AUTHORIZATION, BUT ONLY IF, NOT ONLY DO YOU

- 1 HAVE THIS CODING AND OBSCURING, BUT YOU ALSO HAVE A
- 2 PLAN TO PREVENT THE BREACH OF CONFIDENTIALITY AND YOU
- 3 CAN SHOW THAT THIS IS OF MINIMAL RISK TO THE PRIVACY OF
- 4 THE PATIENTS, AND YOU CAN SHOW THAT IT REALLY WASN'T
- 5 PRACTICAL TO GET THEIR AUTHORIZATION TO BEGIN WITH.
- 6 IF YOU MEET ALL THOSE CONDITIONS, ONE CAN USE
- 7 MEDICAL INFORMATION EVEN UNDER THE HIPPA PRIVACY RULE
- 8 WITHOUT AN EXPLICIT AUTHORIZATION. IF YOU CAN'T MEET
- 9 THOSE CONDITIONS, THEN YOU ARE GOING TO NEED TO GET
- 10 AUTHORIZATION, OR YOU CAN APPROACH AN IRB OR A PRIVACY
- 11 BOARD TO SEE IF THERE'S ANY OTHER CONDITION ON WHICH TO
- 12 WAIVE OR ALTER THE NATURE OF THE AUTHORIZATION
- 13 REQUIRED.
- 14 PRIVACY BOARDS ARE SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT IRB'S.
- 15 MOST INSTITUTIONS HAVE BOTH AN IRB AND A PRIVACY BOARD.
- 16 HIPPA DOES ALLOW IRB'S TO FUNCTION AS PRIVACY BOARDS
- 17 UNDER SOME CIRCUMSTANCES. SO IN SOME INSTITUTIONS YOU
- 18 MAY FIND THAT THE TWO COMMITTEES HAVE BEEN MERGED.
- 19 SO HERE ARE THE QUESTIONS FOR THE ICOC AND
- 20 YOUR STANDARDS COMMITTEE ON THOSE ISSUES. FIRST, DO
- 21 YOU FEEL THE NEED, BASED UPON WHAT I'VE DESCRIBED AS
- 22 THE EXISTING FEDERAL PROTECTIONS, TO ADD ANY ADDITIONAL
- 23 LAYERS OF PATIENT PROTECTION? FOR EXAMPLE, JUST AS
- 24 YOU'RE ALLOWED TO ADD IRB REVIEW FOR SITUATIONS THAT
- 25 ARE NOT CURRENTLY REQUIRED TO UNDERGO IRB REVIEW, YOU

- 1 COULD SAY NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE AUTHORIZATION AND
- 2 CONSENT RULES. WE WILL NEVER WAIVE THAT AT ALL.
- 3 THAT'S UP TO YOU. BUT THAT WOULD BE GOING BEYOND THE
- 4 FEDERAL RULES, AND THIS IS A DECISION THAT IS UP TO THE
- 5 STANDARDS COMMITTEE.
- 6 SECOND, ARE YOU GOING TO IN ANY WAY WANT CIRM
- 7 OR ANY OTHER INSTITUTION OR COMMITTEE TO COORDINATE,
- 8 OVERSEE, DOCUMENT, VERIFY COMPLIANCE BY INVESTIGATORS
- 9 AND THEIR INSTITUTIONS WITH THESE VARIOUS IRB AND HIPPA
- 10 PRIVACY BOARD REGULATIONS? CURRENTLY THAT IS SIMPLY AN
- 11 INSTITUTIONAL MATTER. IT IS NOT NECESSARILY
- 12 COORDINATED. GRANTORS WILL ASK FOR, FOR EXAMPLE, AN
- 13 NIH GRANT WILL REQUIRE SOME EVIDENCE OF AN IRB REVIEW,
- 14 BUT THAT IS NOT SOMETHING YOU MUST FOLLOW AS A PATTERN
- 15 OF BEHAVIOR. SO SOME GRANTORS DO THIS AND REQUIRE SOME
- 16 DOCUMENTATION OF COMPLIANCE. OTHERS DON'T.
- 17 ALSO IN THE REALM OF PRIVACY AND PERHAPS
- 18 SOMETHING THAT'S NOT COME TO YOUR ATTENTION AS OF YET,
- 19 THERE IS THE INTERACTION BETWEEN U.S. PRIVACY RULES AND
- 20 EUROPEAN RULES THAT'S WORTH AT LEAST A MOMENT'S
- 21 THOUGHT. THE EUROPEANS IN VARIOUS CAPACITIES AT THE
- 22 LEVEL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AND INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES
- 23 AND THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE, EACH DIFFERENT ENTITIES WITH
- 24 DIFFERENT JURISDICTION AND DEGREES OF ENFORCEABILITY,
- 25 HAVE ALL BEEN WORKING FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS ON PRIVACY

- 1 PROTECTIONS IN GENERAL, INCLUDING PROTECTIONS FOR
- 2 MEDICAL INFORMATION. AND THERE IS NOW A EUROPEAN DATA
- 3 DIRECTIVE WHICH SPELLS OUT CONDITIONS FOR THE
- 4 TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION TO INVESTIGATORS, INCLUDING
- 5 INVESTIGATORS IN OTHER COUNTRIES.
- 6 THE BOTTOM LINE IS THIS. THE EUROPEAN
- 7 COUNTRIES THAT HAVE SIGNED ONTO THIS, AND IT'S PRETTY
- 8 MUCH THE EUROPEAN UNION, PLUS, I THINK IT WAS, NORWAY,
- 9 ICELAND, AND ONE OTHER COUNTRY, WHICH MEANS IT'S
- 10 COVERING A LOT OF THE POTENTIAL COLLABORATOR COUNTRIES
- 11 IN THE STEM CELL AREA, THE EUROPEAN COUNTRIES WILL
- 12 PROHIBIT THE TRANSMITTAL OF DATA THAT IS CONSIDERED
- 13 CONFIDENTIAL, LIKE MEDICAL PRIVACY DATA, UNLESS THEY'RE
- 14 ASSURED THAT THE RECIPIENT INSTITUTION IS IN A
- 15 JURISDICTION THAT ALSO HAS ADEQUATE PROTECTION FOR
- 16 MEDICAL PRIVACY. IF NOT, THEN THE INDIVIDUAL
- 17 INVESTIGATOR AND INSTITUTION WILL HAVE TO NEGOTIATE
- 18 SOME SPECIAL PROTECTIONS FOR THAT TRANSMITTAL ONLY.
- 19 YOU CAN CREATE WHAT THEY CALL SO-CALLED SAFE HARBOR
- 20 PROVISIONS. BETTER IF I CAN HAVE A WHOLE JURISDICTION
- 21 WHOSE LAWS AND REGULATIONS ARE CONSIDERED, YOU KNOW, AS
- 22 CATEGORICALLY TO MEET THESE REQUIREMENTS.
- 23 I WILL TELL YOU THAT AS OF WHEN I LAST
- 24 CHECKED A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO, THE UNITED STATES,
- 25 DESPITE THE IRB PROTECTIONS AND DESPITE THE EXISTENCE

- 1 OF HIPPA, IS NOT ON A NATIONAL LEVEL CONSIDERED TO HAVE
- 2 ADEQUATE PROTECTIONS FOR THE EUROPEAN DATA PRIVACY
- 3 PROVISIONS; AND IT'S, THEREFORE, WORTH HAVING, PERHAPS,
- 4 A CONVERSATION WITH ONE'S COUNTERPARTS ABOUT EXACTLY
- 5 WHAT PROTECTIONS ARE LACKING IN OUR SYSTEM IN THEIR
- 6 PERCEPTION TO SEE WHETHER OR NOT THE CALIFORNIA-FUNDED
- 7 RESEARCHERS CAN COLLECTIVELY BE GIVEN A SYSTEM THAT
- 8 MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS AND SIMPLIFIES THIS PROCESS OF
- 9 COLLABORATION.
- 10 LAST ON THE LIST OF MANDATED ITEMS WAS TIME
- 11 LIMITS WITH REGARD TO THE MANAGEMENT OF EMBRYOS. THE
- 12 INITIATIVE SETS A LIMIT OF 8 TO 12 DAYS FOR THE
- 13 MAINTENANCE OF A FRESH OR THAWED EXTRA-UTERINE EMBRYO.
- 14 I WILL JUST POINT OUT TO YOU INTERNATIONALLY IT HAS
- 15 TENDED TO BE 14 DAYS OR WHEN THE PRIMITIVE STREAK FIRST
- 16 APPEARS, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST. THE ORIGIN OF THE
- 17 14-DAY/PRIMITIVE STREAK RESTRICTION LIES WITH MARY
- 18 WARNOCK OF THE WARNOCK COMMISSION IN THE 1980S IN THE
- 19 UNITED KINGDOM BECAUSE THEY'VE BEEN FUNDING EMBRYO
- 20 RESEARCH ALL ALONG; WHEREAS, WE STOPPED IN 1980,
- 21 THEY'VE HAD COMMISSIONS ALL ALONG WORKING OUT THE RULES
- 22 FOR THE ETHICAL MANAGEMENT OF EMBRYO RESEARCH AND SO
- 23 HAVE TENDED TO SET THE TONE FOR THE INTERNATIONAL STAGE
- 24 AND FOR AMERICAN ETHICAL THINKING BECAUSE THEY'VE
- 25 SIMPLY BEEN OUT THERE AHEAD OF US IN BOTH THE RESEARCH

- 1 AND THE NEED TO GOVERN RESEARCH.
- NOW, REALISTICALLY, FROM WHAT I UNDERSTAND,
- 3 BUT I DEFER TO THE SCIENTISTS ON THE ICOC, WHETHER IT'S
- 4 14, 12, OR 8 IS IN SOME FASHION NOT REALLY ALL THAT
- 5 RELEVANT SINCE NOBODY REALLY KNOWS HOW TO CULTURE AN
- 6 INTACT OUT FOR EIGHT DAYS AT THIS POINT. SO IN SOME
- 7 WAYS THESE KIND OF LIMITS ARE SOMEWHAT ARBITRARY
- 8 BECAUSE RIGHT NOW THEY'RE NOT TECHNICALLY ACHIEVABLE.
- 9 NONETHELESS, YOU HAVE THE OPTION, FOR WHATEVER REASON,
- 10 OF PICKING A PARTICULAR DAY IN ORDER TO CLARIFY OR TO
- 11 KEEP IT AS A RANGE OF DAYS IF YOU SEE SOME ADVANTAGE TO
- 12 THAT. AND YOU CAN ALSO DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT YOUR
- 13 FUNDED RESEARCHERS MUST COMPLY WITH ONE LIMIT SET BY
- 14 YOUR STANDARDS COMMITTEE OR WHETHER THEY CAN COMPLY
- 15 WITH ANY NUMBER OF DIFFERENT LIMITS THAT ARE SET BY
- 16 THEIR INDIVIDUAL INSTITUTIONS, WHICH ALL WITHIN THEIR
- 17 RANGE OF VARIATIONS NONETHELESS MEET YOUR INITIATIVE
- 18 CONSTRAINTS OF NO MORE THAN 8 TO 12 DAYS.
- 19 AND THAT ACTUALLY RAISES, I THINK, A MORE
- 20 GLOBAL POINT THAT I'D LIKE TO MENTION BEFORE THEN JUST
- 21 QUICKLY RUNNING THROUGH THE ADDITIONAL TOPICS THAT YOU
- 22 MIGHT WANT TO ADDRESS WHEN YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
- 23 GO BEYOND THE MANDATED TASKS. THAT IS, THAT THERE'S A
- 24 VERY BIG DECISION TO BE MADE ABOUT WHETHER YOU WANT
- 25 YOUR STANDARDS TO BE ENTIRELY UNIFORM, CENTRALLY

- 1 WRITTEN, DIRECTIVE, AND UNIFORMLY APPLIED TO ALL
- 2 CALIFORNIA -- ALL CIRM-FUNDED INVESTIGATORS REGARDLESS
- 3 OF THEIR INSTITUTION, OR IF WHAT YOU WANT TO DO ARE
- 4 WRITE GUIDELINES THAT SET BANDS OF PERMISSIBLE
- 5 DECISION-MAKING, FOR EXAMPLE, 8 TO 12 DAYS, AND THEN
- 6 ALLOW LOCAL VARIATION BY THE LOCAL IRB'S BASED UPON
- 7 THEIR OWN BELIEFS, THEIR OWN EXPERIENCES.
- 8 THE ADVANTAGE TO LOCAL VARIATION IS NOT ONLY
- 9 DO INSTITUTIONS TEND TO LIKE THEIR OWN AUTONOMY, NOT
- 10 ONLY DO THEIR GENERAL COUNSELS TEND TO FEEL LESS
- 11 NERVOUS WHEN THEY HAVEN'T GIVEN UP THE AUTHORITY TO
- 12 MAKE THE RULES TO SOMEBODY ELSE, BUT IN ADDITION,
- 13 ALLOWING VARIATION ALLOWS YOUR INSTITUTIONS TO ACT AS A
- 14 NATURAL SOCIAL LABORATORY FOR EXPERIMENTING WITH THE
- 15 DIFFERENT WAYS IN WHICH THE STANDARDS CAN BE APPLIED TO
- 16 SEE WHICH ONES IN PRACTICE ACTUALLY ARE BEST, MOST
- WORKABLE, ETC.
- 18 THE DISADVANTAGE IS THAT IN MANY SETTINGS,
- 19 BOTH INSTITUTION TO INSTITUTION OR STATE TO STATE OR
- U.S. TO NON-U.S. SETTING, THERE ARE GOING TO BE
- 21 LIMITATIONS ON WHETHER PEOPLE ARE ALLOWED TO USE ONE
- 22 ANOTHER'S LINES DEPENDING UPON THE ORIGINAL CONDITIONS
- 23 UNDER WHICH THE LINES WERE DERIVED. THAT IS, IF I WERE
- 24 AN AUSTRALIAN RESEARCHER SUBJECT TO THE TWO PIECES OF
- 25 LEGISLATION IN AUSTRALIA IN 2002, ONE ON STEM CELL

- 1 RESEARCH AND ONE ON CLONING, IF I WANT TO COLLABORATE
- 2 WITH A CALIFORNIA RESEARCHER, I NEED TO KNOW WHETHER OR
- 3 NOT THE STEM CELL LINE I'M WORKING WITH HAS AT ITS
- 4 ORIGIN EMBRYO CREATED WITH NUCLEAR TRANSFER BECAUSE IF
- 5 IT DOES, AUSTRALIAN LAW NOW FORBIDS THE IMPORTATION OF
- 6 THAT CELL LINE.
- 7 NOW, YOU CAN SEE IN A LESS DRAMATIC WAY
- 8 SIMILAR KINDS OF THINGS. THE QUESTION ABOUT THE
- 9 DEFINITION OF REIMBURSEMENT AND WHETHER SOMEBODY MIGHT
- 10 CONSIDER SOME FORMS OF REIMBURSEMENT TO BE FUNCTIONALLY
- 11 A PAYMENT MIGHT BECOME A STICKING POINT WHEN YOU WANT
- 12 TO COLLABORATE ACROSS LINES WITH A JURISDICTION THAT
- 13 HAS A STRICTER DEFINITION OF A PROHIBITION ON PAYMENT.
- 14 THERE MIGHT BE DIFFERENCES IN OPINION ABOUT THE PRECISE
- 15 CONTOURS OF WHAT MUST GO INTO THE INFORMED CONSENT TO
- 16 MAKE IT VALID. SO THE MORE THAT YOU MAKE YOUR RULES
- 17 ABSOLUTELY UNIFORM AND DIRECTIVE, THE MORE THAT YOU
- 18 GUARANTEE THE INTERCHANGEABILITY OF LINES AMONG
- 19 CALIFORNIA INSTITUTIONS AND THE EASIER IT IS FOR ALL
- 20 THE CALIFORNIA-GENERATED LINES TO BE MARKED AS HAVING
- 21 MET CERTAIN KEY REQUIREMENTS A, B, C, D, E, F, G THAT
- 22 ALLOW COLLABORATORS IN OTHER STATES AND OTHER COUNTRIES
- 23 TO KNOW AT A GLANCE EXACTLY WHICH CONDITIONS APPLY TO
- 24 THE PROVIDENCE AND, AGAIN, FACILITATE THE COLLABORATIVE
- 25 PROCESS, LET THE FOREIGN COLLABORATORS KNOW AT A GLANCE

- 1 THAT IT CAN'T POSSIBLY MEET IT.
- 2 IN THE ABSENCE OF UNIFORM RULES, IT WILL
- 3 REQUIRE KIND OF DETAILED, LINE-BY-LINE PARTICULARIZED
- 4 REVIEW OF THE PROVIDENCE IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THAT.
- 5 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: ALTA CHARO, AT THIS JUNCTURE
- 6 IT MIGHT BE RELEVANT FOR THE PUBLIC AND THE BOARD, MOST
- 7 OF THE BOARD MEMBERS ARE AWARE OF THIS, TO JUST
- 8 INDICATE WHAT THE CHARGE WAS TO THE NATIONAL ACADEMIES
- 9 IN TRYING TO DEVELOP A MODEL FOR A UNIFORM NATIONAL
- 10 STANDARD. AND YOU MIGHT REFER TO THE TIMING FOR THE
- 11 NATIONAL ACADEMIES' PROPOSAL OF THAT STANDARD. IT IS
- 12 THE NATIONAL ACADEMIES' DESIRE THAT CALIFORNIA ADOPT
- 13 THE NATIONAL ACADEMIES' STANDARDS BECAUSE THAT, AS THE
- 14 DOMINANT PLAYER IN THE COUNTRY, WOULD PROVIDE A MODEL
- 15 THAT OTHER STATES HOPE THEY WOULD FOLLOW, CREATING A
- 16 NATIONAL CONSISTENCY OR UNIFORMITY. PERHAPS YOU COULD
- 17 ADDRESS THAT CHARGE AND THE TIMING ISSUES.
- 18 MS. CHARO: THE NATIONAL ACADEMIES OF
- 19 SCIENCES BEGAN A PROJECT, IT'S A JOINT PROJECT, OF THE
- 20 INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE AND THE NATIONAL RESEARCH
- 21 COUNCIL, WHICH ARE ELEMENTS OF THE NAS. IT WAS
- 22 AUTHORIZED LAST SPRING AND WILL PROBABLY RESULT IN A
- 23 PUBLICATION THIS APRIL THAT WILL CONSIST OF MODEL
- 24 NATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR THE CONDUCT OF EMBRYONIC STEM
- 25 CELL RESEARCH. THESE GUIDELINES OBVIOUSLY HAVE NO

- 1 FORCE BECAUSE THE NAS CERTAINLY IS NOT AN ENFORCEMENT
- 2 AGENCY, BUT VOLUNTARY ADOPTION BY MANY INSTITUTIONS AND
- 3 INVESTIGATORS WOULD ALLOW FOR THE KIND OF
- 4 INTERCHANGEABILITY THAT I JUST NOW DESCRIBED AS WELL,
- 5 WE HOPE, AT THE NAS TO ALLAY SOME PUBLIC CONCERNS ABOUT
- 6 THE GAPS IN REGULATORY COVERAGE EVEN THOUGH THERE IS
- 7 FAIRLY EXTENSIVE REGULATORY COVERAGE BETWEEN THE RULES
- 8 FROM THE FDA ABOUT TISSUE TRANSPLANTATION, THE RULES
- 9 ABOUT BIOSAFETY, THE RULES ABOUT ANIMAL MANAGEMENT,
- 10 ETC.
- 11 NOW, THE CHARGE COVERS MORE THAN WHAT WAS
- 12 JUST OUTLINED HERE IN YOUR MANDATED TASKS. THE CHARGE
- 13 TALKS, NOT ONLY ABOUT WHETHER AND HOW TO DERIVE NEW
- 14 LINES AND BY WHICH MEANS, USE OF SURPLUS EMBRYOS, USE
- OF DELIBERATELY CREATED IVF EMBRYOS, USE OF
- 16 DELIBERATELY CREATED EMBRYOS USING NUCLEAR TRANSFER,
- 17 BUT IT ALSO COVERS THE QUESTION OF WHAT RULES, IF ANY,
- 18 SHOULD GOVERN THE ACTUAL RESEARCH IN THE LABORATORY
- 19 WITH THE RESULTING STEM CELL LINES THEMSELVES.
- 20 KEEPING IN MIND THAT UNLESS THOSE LINES
- 21 SOMEHOW PERSONALLY IDENTIFY THE DONORS, RESEARCH WITH A
- 22 LINE ITSELF, YOU HAVE AN EXISTING LINE, YOU MAKE YOUR
- 23 REQUEST TO A STEM CELL BANK, YOU GET THE LINE, YOU'RE
- 24 GOING TO DO YOUR LAB RESEARCH, THAT KIND OF RESEARCH IS
- 25 CURRENTLY SUBJECT TO SOME REGULATION, FOR EXAMPLE, IF

- 1 YOU'RE GOING TO DO GENETIC WORK WITH IT OR IF YOU'RE
- 2 GOING TO WORK WITH AN ANIMAL IN CONJUNCTION WITH IT,
- 3 BUT IN TERMS OF SUBSTANTIVE LIMITS ON WHAT YOU CAN AND
- 4 CANNOT DO IN YOUR LABORATORY, THERE ARE VERY FEW
- 5 BECAUSE IN GENERAL IN THE U.S. WE DON'T LIMIT
- 6 LABORATORY RESEARCH.
- 7 PART OF THE CHARGE FOR THE NAS WAS TO ASK
- 8 WHETHER THIS WAS AN APPROPRIATE WAY TO GO; AND IF NOT,
- 9 WHAT CHANGE SHOULD BE MADE AND HOW SHOULD IT BE
- 10 IMPLEMENTED. THAT MEANS THAT THE NAS GUIDELINES WILL
- 11 COVER, AT LEAST IF THEY MEET THEIR CHARGE, WILL COVER
- 12 ALL THE TOPICS THAT I'VE ADDRESSED SO FAR HERE FOR YOU,
- 13 BUT WILL ALSO COVER IN THAT LIST OF THINGS THAT I
- 14 MENTIONED NOT OUR LIST YET FOR MANDATED TOPICS, THINGS
- 15 LIKE WHETHER OR NOT YOU WANT TO BEGIN TO TALK ABOUT THE
- 16 POSSIBILITIES FOR STEM CELL BANKING AND THE MANAGEMENT
- 17 OF A STEM CELL BANK, WHETHER PHYSICAL OR VIRTUAL, IN
- 18 ORDER TO MANAGE BOTH THE TECHNICAL ISSUES AROUND
- 19 UNDERSTANDING THE QUALITY CONTROL ISSUES, FOR
- 20 CHARACTERIZATION, AND KNOWING THE NUMBER OF PASSAGES,
- 21 ETC., BUT ALSO THESE ETHICAL ISSUES ABOUT UNDERSTANDING
- 22 THE PROVIDENCE OF EACH CELL LINE.
- 23 SO STEM CELL BANKING IS CERTAINLY A TOPIC
- 24 THAT IS WITHIN THE CHARGE OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF
- 25 SCIENCES. IN ADDITION, UNDERSTANDING THE FULL RANGE OF

- 1 POTENTIAL SOURCES FOR EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS. YOU WILL
- 2 NOTICE THAT NONE OF OUR DISCUSSION HAS TOUCHED UPON
- 3 ADULT STEM CELLS, EMBRYONIC GERM CELLS, NONHUMAN
- 4 EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS. AND FOR EACH OF THOSE TOPICS,
- 5 THERE IS GOING TO BE SOME OVERLAP IN THE ETHICAL
- 6 ISSUES. THEY WON'T BE IDENTICAL, BUT THERE WILL BE
- 7 SOME OVERLAP. IT MIGHT BE OVERLAP IN ISSUES
- 8 SURROUNDING RESEARCH USES OF THE RESULTING LINES, BUT
- 9 NO OVERLAP IN THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS OR FOR EMBRYONIC
- 10 GERM CELLS WHICH COME FROM FETAL TISSUE. IT COULD BE
- 11 SOME OVERLAP IN THE PROCUREMENT ISSUES, BUT WITH A
- 12 DIFFERENT OVERLAY BECAUSE OF SPECIFIC FEDERAL LAW ON
- 13 FETAL TISSUE RESEARCH.
- 14 SO THOSE ARE THE KINDS OF TOPICS THAT, AGAIN,
- 15 IF YOU LOOK AT THE PUBLIC CHARGE, IT'S PRESENT NAS.EDU
- 16 IS THE WEBSITE FOR THE NATIONAL ACADEMIES; AND IF YOU
- 17 LOOK UP THE BOARD ON LIFE SCIENCES' CURRENT PROJECTS,
- 18 YOU WILL SEE THE CHARGE OF THAT COMMITTEE. YOU CAN SEE
- 19 THE KIND OF SCOPE OF WORK THAT WAS LAID OUT FOR THE
- 20 COMMITTEE.
- 21 AND IN THAT CONTEXT, I BELIEVE THAT IF THERE
- 22 EVER WERE A KIND OF NOT CONFLICT OF INTEREST, BUT A
- 23 KIND OF CONVERGENCE OF LOYALTIES, IT WOULD BE THIS
- 24 MOMENT BECAUSE I REALLY DO BELIEVE THAT THE NAS, HAVING
- 25 THE ADVANTAGE OF HAVING STARTED SEVERAL MONTHS AGO, AND

- 1 HAVING THE ADVANTAGE OF NOT ONLY PULLING TOGETHER A
- 2 COMMITTEE WHOSE MEMBERSHIP IS PUBLICLY LISTED, BUT ALSO
- 3 USING THE NAS PROCESS FOR REVIEW. I DON'T KNOW WHO THE
- 4 REVIEWERS ARE GOING TO BE. THAT'S KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.
- 5 EVEN THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS DON'T KNOW IT, BUT THE
- 6 REVIEW NAMES WILL BE MADE PUBLIC AT THE TIME THE
- 7 REPORT'S MADE PUBLIC, SO THAT'S WHEN WE'LL LEARN WHO
- 8 REVIEWED IT. THAT REVIEW PROCESS IS DESIGNED TO
- 9 ACHIEVE SOME DEGREE OF BALANCE, NOT ONLY IN TERMS OF
- 10 EXPERTISE, BUT IN TERMS OF ATTITUDE ABOUT THE
- 11 UNDERLYING MATERIAL.
- 12 SO WHEN THEY DO COME OUT, THEY WILL HAVE BEEN
- 13 VETTED AS BEST AS YOU CAN VET THEM IN THAT CONTEXT, BUT
- 14 THEY WILL BE USELESS IF THEY'RE NOT ADOPTED.
- 15 CALIFORNIA AND CIRM NOW ARE BASICALLY, YOU ARE THE \$300
- 16 MILLION GORILLA. AND SO IF YOU FIND THAT THOSE
- 17 GUIDELINES PROVIDE A USEFUL FRAMEWORK AND INTRIGUING
- 18 GUIDANCE FOR YOUR OWN STANDARD SETTING PROCESS, THEN TO
- 19 THE EXTENT THAT THIS GROUP USES ANY OR ALL OF THAT
- 20 MATERIAL, IT GIVES FORCE AND EFFECT TO THE EFFORTS OF
- 21 THE NATIONAL ACADEMIES.
- 22 IN THE SUBSEQUENT PUBLIC FORA HERE IN
- 23 CALIFORNIA, THERE'S A PROCESS THAT ALLOWS FOR EVEN MORE
- 24 VETTING ACROSS A MUCH BROADER SPECTRUM, WHICH WILL THEN
- 25 FEED BACK INTO ANY SUBSEQUENT PROJECTS AT THE NAS TO

- 1 TRY TO LOOK AGAIN AT THE STANDARDS AND WHETHER OR NOT
- 2 THEY NEED TO BE CHANGED. SO I DO SEE A TREMENDOUS
- 3 OPPORTUNITY FOR MUTUAL ADVANTAGE IN EXPERTISE AND
- 4 WORKLOAD BETWEEN YOUR WORK AND THAT OF THE NATIONAL
- 5 ACADEMIES.
- 6 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: FOR THE PUBLIC'S BENEFIT,
- 7 WHAT ALTA CHARO IS REFERENCING IS THAT SINCE THE
- 8 INITIATIVE CALLS FOR ADOPTING INTERIM REGULATIONS AND
- 9 THEN HAVING A 270-DAY PERIOD OF PUBLIC HEARINGS, ALL
- 10 SUBJECT TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT, WHICH
- 11 INCLUDES POSTING AND PUBLIC COMMENTS, THAT EVEN IF THEY
- 12 WERE ADOPTED, AS THE NATIONAL ACADEMY STANDARDS WERE
- 13 ADOPTED, THEY WOULD STILL GO THROUGH THE 270-DAY PUBLIC
- 14 HEARING PROCESS, WHICH WOULD PROVIDE THE FEEDBACK TO
- 15 THE NATIONAL ACADEMIES. AND, OF COURSE, THERE WOULD BE
- 16 THE INPUT FROM THE NATIONAL ACADEMIES ON THAT FEEDBACK,
- BUT THAT IS, OF COURSE, ONE OF THE OPTIONS.
- 18 AND I WOULD ALSO POINT OUT THAT THE
- 19 UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, THE JUVENILE DIABETES RESEARCH
- 20 FOUNDATION HAVE ALREADY ADOPTED STANDARDS IN THIS AREA
- 21 THAT COVER MANY OF THE TOPICS, IF NOT IN MOST CASES
- 22 MOST OF THE TOPICS THAT ARE BEING COVERED, AS ANOTHER
- 23 BENCHMARK TO LOOK AT THE INQUIRY INTO STANDARDS.
- MS. CHARO: INDEED, AND LET ME CLOSE WITH
- 25 THIS ONE LAST OBSERVATION BECAUSE I KNOW THAT YOU MAY

- 1 HAVE QUESTIONS, AND YOU ALSO NEED TO MOVE ON. I KNOW
- 2 AT THE END OF LAST NIGHT'S PRESENTATION THAT THERE WAS
- 3 A GENERAL SENSE, NOT ONLY THAT THE ROOM WAS WAY TOO
- 4 HOT, BUT THAT THERE WAS WAY TOO MUCH MATERIAL AND IT
- 5 WAS ALL RATHER OVERWHELMING, AND I WOULDN'T WANT TO
- 6 LEAVE YOU WITH THE SENSE THAT THIS IS AN IMPOSSIBLE
- 7 TASK. THERE REALLY ARE SOME TEMPLATES OUT THERE.
- 8 THE NAS GUIDELINES, WE'RE HOPING, WILL BE A
- 9 VERY WELL DEVELOPED TEMPLATE. THE UNIVERSITY OF
- 10 WISCONSIN GUIDELINES ARE LESS WELL DEVELOPED TEMPLATE
- 11 BECAUSE THEY HAVEN'T HAD QUITE THE SAME DEGREE OF
- 12 REPEATED ATTENTION AS SOME OTHERS. THE JDRF GUIDELINES
- 13 GET REPEATEDLY REVISED. AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE JDRF
- 14 WEBSITE, YOU WILL SEE THAT THERE WERE DIFFERENT
- 15 ITERATIONS AS NEW QUESTIONS AROSE AND WERE PRESENTED TO
- 16 THE COMMITTEE.
- 17 AND, OF COURSE, THERE ARE THE TEMPLATES OF
- 18 THE EXISTING GUIDELINES IN COUNTRIES THAT HAVE ENACTED
- 19 THEM OBVIOUSLY WITH DIFFERENT SUBSTANTIVE DIFFERENCES.
- 20 SOME PLACES YOU CAN'T MAKE EMBRYOS FOR RESEARCH, OTHERS
- 21 YOU CAN, SOME PLACES HAVE CENTRAL LICENSING
- 22 AUTHORITIES, OTHERS ARE MORE DECENTRALIZED. BUT IN
- 23 TERMS OF THE POLICY DECISIONS WITHIN THOSE PROCEDURAL
- 24 SETUPS, AUSTRALIA, SINGAPORE, ISRAEL, THE UNITED
- 25 KINGDOM, ALL PROVIDE FAIRLY DETAILED SETS OF

- 1 GUIDELINES, AGAIN, AVAILABLE ON THE WEB.
- 2 I THINK I MAY HAVE DISTRIBUTED SOME OF THEM
- 3 PRIOR TO THE MEETING. SO THAT USING THOSE AS A
- 4 STARTING POINT FOR THINKING ABOUT THE FRAMEWORK ALLOWS
- 5 ONE TO ESSENTIALLY GO THROUGH YOUR OWN LIST OF
- 6 QUESTIONS THAT YOU MUST ANSWER AND LOOK AT HOW THEY
- 7 ANSWERED IT AND ASK DO WE LIKE HOW THEY DO IT? IF NOT,
- 8 HOW WOULD WE CHANGE IT? AND AT THE END DO WE STILL
- 9 HAVE QUESTIONS THAT THEY LEFT UNANSWERED? OR DID THEY
- 10 HAVE QUESTIONS THEY ANSWERED WE NEVER THOUGHT TO ASK?
- 11 SO IT'S NOT AS OVERWHELMING AS IT SEEMS WHEN
- 12 YOU TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE EXISTING MATERIALS AS A
- 13 STARTING POINT FOR YOUR THINKING. I ONLY HOPE THAT
- 14 THIS WAS PART OF THE EFFORT TO HELP YOU IN THAT
- 15 DIRECTION. THANK YOU.
- 16 (APPLAUSE.)
- 17 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND
- 18 IT'S A PRIVILEGE FOR THE INSTITUTE TO HAVE ALTA CHARO
- 19 CONSULTANT TO THE INSTITUTE IN HELPING US THROUGH THIS
- 20 PROCESS.
- 21 I'D LIKE TO OPEN THIS FIRST TO BOARD COMMENTS
- 22 AND THEN PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS
- 23 SPECIFICALLY. I WOULD LIKE TO CALL THE ATTENTION TO
- 24 THE BOARD AND THE PUBLIC THAT THE INSTITUTE HAS
- 25 STRUCTURALLY THIS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS

- 1 THAT'S INTENDED TO BE A DYNAMIC BODY THAT CONTINUALLY
- 2 CAN LOOK AT FACT PATTERNS AND UPDATE STANDARDS OVER
- 3 TIME AS CONDITIONS AND FACTS CHANGE.
- 4 ONE OF THE THINGS THAT IS RECOMMENDED IN ALTA
- 5 CHARO'S STRUCTURE IS, IN FACT, TO EMPOWER A BODY TO DO
- 6 THAT. AND SHE MIGHT ADDRESS THE PROCESS APPROACH.
- 7 ONCE YOU HAVE A BASIC SET OF STANDARDS, THE PROCESS
- 8 APPROACH AT WISCONSIN TO INCORPORATE THE ABILITY TO
- 9 CONTINUE TO RESPOND TO FACTS OVER TIME. MAYBE WE COULD
- 10 LEAD WITH THAT POINT AND THEN FOLLOW WITH OTHER BOARD
- 11 QUESTIONS.
- MS. CHARO: THIS CAME UP LAST NIGHT, SO I
- 13 APPRECIATE YOU SUGGESTING THAT WE GO OVER IT AGAIN. MY
- 14 APOLOGIES TO THOSE THAT WERE THERE LAST NIGHT FOR ALL
- 15 THESE REDUNDANCIES. THERE ARE DIFFERENT APPROACHES TO
- 16 THE STYLE OF YOUR GUIDELINES. YOU CAN HAVE ABSOLUTE
- 17 RULES THAT COVER ABSOLUTELY EVERY SITUATION, TRY TO
- 18 ANTICIPATE EVERY POSSIBLE SITUATION. OR YOU CAN GO FOR
- 19 SOMETHING THAT'S MORE PROCESS ORIENTED IN WHICH YOU
- 20 CREATE A PROCESS THAT SEEMS FAIR AND USEFUL, BUT YOU
- 21 DON'T NECESSARILY KNOW WHAT THE OUTCOME IS GOING TO BE,
- 22 KIND OF LIKE FRACTILE GEOMETRY, OR YOU CAN COMBINE
- 23 THEM.
- 24 WHAT WE FOUND AT UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN IS
- 25 THAT IF YOU STARTED WITH VERY LARGE CATEGORIES, IN OUR

- 1 CASE WE HAD CATEGORIES OF THINGS THAT WERE SEEMINGLY
- 2 UNPROBLEMATIC, CATEGORIES OF THINGS THAT RAISED
- 3 QUESTIONS, BUT NEEDED VERY DETAILED ATTENTION, AND
- 4 CATEGORIES OF THINGS THAT ABSOLUTELY SHOULD BE
- 5 PROHIBITED BECAUSE OF SAFETY CONCERNS, ETHICAL CONCERNS
- 6 ABOUT THE WELFARE OF HUMANS OR ANIMALS, AND YOU START
- 7 WITH THOSE BROAD CATEGORIES. THEN WITHIN THEM YOU CAN
- 8 THEN BEGIN TO FOCUS ON PROCESS.
- 9 SO IN THE MIDDLE CATEGORY THINGS THAT MIGHT
- 10 BE PROBLEMATIC AND MIGHT NOT, AND IT DEPENDS ON THE
- 11 DETAILS OF WHAT YOU ARE DOING, WE ASKED FOR A PROCESS
- 12 BY WHICH INVESTIGATORS PRESENT THEMSELVES TO THIS
- 13 COMMITTEE AND DISCUSS EXACTLY WHAT THEY'RE PLANNING TO
- 14 DO, WHY THEY NEED TO DO IT, WHAT PRECAUTIONS THEY ARE
- 15 TAKING, AND TAKE GUIDANCE FROM THIS COMMITTEE AS TO
- 16 WHETHER OR NOT IT OUGHT TO BE DONE.
- 17 THE COMMITTEE TECHNICALLY REPORTS TO THE DEAN
- 18 OF THE GRADUATE SCHOOL, WHO HOLDS THE AUTHORITY OVER
- 19 THE INVESTIGATORS, SO THE COMMITTEE DOESN'T ACTUALLY
- 20 GOVERN THE INVESTIGATORS. THE COMMITTEE ADVISES THE
- 21 DEAN, WHO IN TURN IS IN CHARGE OF THE INVESTIGATORS, SO
- 22 IT'S AN INDIRECT AUTHORITY. SO HERE'S AN EXAMPLE. AN
- 23 INVESTIGATOR WANTS TO LOOK AT THE IN VIVO
- 24 DIFFERENTIATION PROPERTIES OF A PARTICULAR EMBRYONIC
- 25 STEM CELL LINE THAT IS BEING DIFFERENTIATED INTO A

- 1 PARTICULAR KIND OF TISSUE, AND TO DO THIS IS PROPOSING
- 2 AN EXPERIMENT IN WHICH YOU WOULD USE A HUMAN/NONHUMAN
- 3 COMBINATION. WANTS TO TAKE SOME EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS,
- 4 HUMAN EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS, AND DIFFERENTIATE THEM INTO
- 5 A SHEEP PANCREAS. OKAY. WHY DO YOU NEED TO DO THIS?
- 6 WRONG PHRASING. I'M NOT A SCIENTIST. I COMPLETELY
- 7 BELIEVE YOU.
- 8 THEY WANT TO LOOK AT THE WAY IN WHICH THE --
- 9 I KNOW THAT THEY WANTED IT DIFFERENTIATED INTO TISSUE,
- 10 FOR EXAMPLE, OF PANCREATIC TISSUE. THEY WANTED TO LOOK
- 11 AT THE GRAFTING. THEY WANTED TO SEE IF IT GRAFTS
- 12 PROPERLY.
- 13 DR. BALTIMORE: THEY DIDN'T PUT IT INTO A
- 14 SHEEP. THEY IMPLANTED IT.
- 15 MS. CHARO: IMPLANT. THANK YOU. I WILL
- 16 STAND CORRECTED. THIS IS HELPFUL. THANK YOU. THEY
- 17 WANT TO IMPLANT IT INTO A SHEEP PANCREAS. WE WOULD
- 18 WANT TO KNOW THE PRECISE CONTOURS OF THE EXPERIMENT.
- 19 WE WANT TO KNOW EXACTLY WHAT STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT THE
- 20 SHEEP IS AT. ARE WE TALKING ABOUT EARLY FETAL STAGES,
- 21 LATE FETAL STAGES, LIVE BORN? IF THEY WERE TALKING
- 22 ABOUT AN EXPERIMENT IN WHICH THEY WANTED TO USE
- 23 EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS EVEN AT AN EARLIER STAGE, FOR
- 24 EXAMPLE, AT THE BLASTOCYST STAGE, DOES IT RAISE
- 25 DIFFERENT QUESTIONS THAN IF YOU ARE DOING IT AT A LATER

- 1 STAGE DEVELOPED FETUS IN TERMS OF THE MIGRATION THROUGH
- THE RESULTING FETAL BODY AND THE ABILITY TO MIGRATE
- 3 INTO OTHER ORGAN SYSTEMS? AND ARE THERE DIFFERENT
- 4 ORGAN SYSTEMS THAT RAISE DIFFERENT ISSUES; FOR EXAMPLE,
- 5 NEUROLOGICAL VERSUS NON-NEUROLOGICAL PATTERNS.
- 6 SO WE FELT THAT IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO ACTUALLY
- 7 WRITE HARD AND FAST RULES AHEAD OF TIME. WHAT WE DID
- 8 KNOW WAS THAT WE COULD IDENTIFY WITH GROSS CATEGORIES
- 9 THE THINGS THAT NEEDED MORE DISCUSSION. AND ONLY WITH
- 10 A SPECIFIC PROTOCOL AND SPECIFIC PROTECTIONS COULD WE
- 11 ACTUALLY GIVE ANY OPINION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THIS WAS
- 12 UNSAFE, ENDANGERED ANIMAL WELFARE, ENDANGERED HUMAN
- 13 WELFARE, OR FOR ANY OTHER REASON SHOULD NOT BE PURSUED
- 14 ON THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN CAMPUS AT THIS TIME, AND
- 15 WE WOULD MAKE OUR DECISION AND THEN FORWARD IT TO THE
- 16 DEAN OF THE GRADUATE SCHOOL.
- 17 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I
- 18 THINK DR. KESSLER HAS A QUESTION.
- 19 DR. KESSLER: YOU COVERED THE GROUND ON
- 20 PROCUREMENT, ON DERIVATION, ON BANKING, AND ON
- 21 LABORATORY RESEARCH OF HUMAN EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS AND
- 22 EMBRYOS. WHAT DO YOU THINK TRIGGERS FDA'S JURISDICTION
- 23 WHEN USED IN HUMANS WITH REGARD TO REGULATION AS A
- 24 BIOLOGIC?
- MS. CHARO: BOY, THAT'S A SETUP FROM THE

- 1 FORMER COMMISSIONER OF THE FDA. OKAY. AND I WILL ONCE
- 2 AGAIN BE HAPPY TO BE CORRECTED, IF NEED BE. MY
- 3 UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT IF YOUR END PRODUCT IS GOING TO
- 4 BE TRANSPLANTED INTO HUMANS, THAT YOU WILL BE
- 5 TRIGGERING THE TISSUE TRANSPLANTATION REGULATIONS,
- 6 WHICH, AS I UNDERSTAND IT, ARE ALSO PART OF THE
- 7 REGULATION OF BIOLOGICS. SO THAT ALTHOUGH YOUR INITIAL
- 8 RESEARCH IN THE LABORATORY IN AND OF ITSELF MAY NOT BE
- 9 SUBJECT TO FDA REGULATION, IF YOU WERE TO USE THAT
- 10 LABORATORY CREATED TISSUE DOWN THE LINE FOR TISSUE
- 11 TRANSPLANT, THEN YOU'D HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THE
- 12 MANAGEMENT OF THAT MATERIAL FROM ITS ORIGINS IN ORDER
- 13 TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU MET THINGS LIKE THE NEW DONOR
- 14 SUITABILITY RULES WITH REGARD TO SCREENING OF DONORS
- 15 FOR THINGS LIKE INFECTIOUS DISEASE BEFORE YOU CAN USE
- 16 THAT TISSUE FOR TRANSPLANTATION OR TO DEAL WITH
- 17 XENOTRANSPLANTATION REGULATIONS FOR LINES THAT WERE
- ORIGINALLY CULTURED, FOR EXAMPLE, ON MOUSE FEEDER
- 19 CELLS.
- 20 SO THAT MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THE
- 21 REGULATION DOESN'T KICK IN UNTIL YOU GET DOWN THE LINE
- 22 TO THE CLINICAL APPLICATIONS, BUT THEN THE EFFECT OF
- 23 THE REGULATION IS TO LOOK RETROSPECTIVELY AT WHAT
- 24 PREVIOUSLY HAD BEEN AN UNREGULATED PURELY LABORATORY
- 25 AREA OF RESEARCH.

- 1 I ALSO WAS VERY INTERESTED IN TRYING TO
- 2 UNDERSTAND THE DEGREE TO WHICH THE FDA'S HUMAN SUBJECTS
- 3 PROTECTIONS WOULD ALSO BE KIND OF RETROACTIVELY
- 4 IMPLICATED; THAT IS, IF YOU WERE PLANNING TO USE TISSUE
- 5 FOR TRANSPLANTATION IN 2011, WOULD THE FDA NOT ONLY BE
- 6 INTERESTED IN SAFETY ISSUES THAT MIGHT PREDATE GETTING
- 7 THE IND, BUT WOULD THEY ALSO WANT TO LOOK AT THE
- 8 PROVIDENCE OF THE CELL LINES AND MAKE SURE THAT THE
- 9 ORIGINAL DERIVATIONS MET FDA HUMAN SUBJECTS
- 10 REGULATIONS? I'LL BE HONEST. I CAN'T FIND ANYBODY AT
- 11 YOUR FORMER AGENCY THAT CAN TELL ME THE ANSWER TO THAT.
- 12 DR. KESSLER: YOU'RE FOCUSED ON THE TISSUE
- 13 TRANSPLANT REGULATIONS APPROPRIATELY. BUT STEM CELLS
- 14 WILL BE USED IN THE CURE, PREVENTION, MITIGATION OF
- 15 DISEASE. SO I ASSUME THAT TRIGGERS THE IND
- 16 REQUIREMENTS ALSO WHEN INTRODUCED INTO HUMANS.
- 17 MS. CHARO: I HOPE I ACTUALLY SAID THE
- 18 LETTERS IND WITH REGARD TO THE TISSUE TRANSPLANT, BUT
- 19 FOR THE CURE, MITIGATION, ETC. OF DISEASE, I WOULD
- 20 ASSUME IT WOULD REQUIRE AT SOME POINT SOME KIND OF
- 21 TRANSPLANTATION. I'M NOT SURE I CAN QUITE IMAGINE AN
- 22 APPLICATION THAT DOESN'T REQUIRE TRANSPLANT IN ORDER TO
- 23 CURE OR MITIGATE.
- DR. KESSLER: RIGHT, BUT BASICALLY ANY TIME
- 25 ANY OF OUR GRANTEES ARE GOING INTO HUMANS, THEY'RE

- 1 GOING TO TRIGGER FDA REGULATION.
- 2 MS. CHARO: ABSOLUTELY. I THINK ONE OF THE
- 3 THINGS THAT I ALWAYS FOUND VERY CONFUSING AND,
- 4 THEREFORE, I'M GOING TO ASSUME OTHER PEOPLE DO TOO, IS
- 5 THAT THINGS THAT ARE CONSIDERED TO BE BIOLOGICS,
- 6 REGULATED AS BIOLOGICS, WHICH MEANS THAT THE PUBLIC
- 7 HEALTH SERVICE ACT IS INVOKED WITH REGARD TO INFECTIOUS
- 8 DISEASE CONTROL ARE ALSO TREATED AS EITHER DRUGS OR
- 9 DEVICES. SO YOU WILL EITHER GET AN INVESTIGATIONAL NEW
- 10 DRUG EXEMPTION IF YOU ARE GOING TO REGULATE IT WITH THE
- 11 PREMARKET APPROVALS OF A DRUG, OR YOU WILL GET THE
- 12 INVESTIGATIONAL DEVICE EXCEPTION IF YOU ARE GOING TO
- 13 MARKET IT AS THE KIND OF DEVICE.
- 14 YOU CAN IMAGINE SOME BIOLOGICS ACTUALLY
- 15 FUNCTIONING LIKE DEVICES; FOR EXAMPLE, A SKIN BANDAGE
- 16 MADE OUT OF CELLULAR MATERIAL MIGHT, I DON'T KNOW, BE
- 17 REGULATED AS A DEVICE. I SUPPOSE IT'S A LITTLE HARD TO
- 18 ASSESS UNTIL YOU LOOK AT THE DETAILS OF ITS
- 19 FUNCTIONING.
- 20 SO I DO APPRECIATE THAT THE INVESTIGATORS
- 21 WILL HAVE TO GET AN IND OR AN IDE BEFORE THEY CAN GO
- 22 INTO HUMAN TRIALS. I THINK WHAT I'M TRYING TO
- 23 EMPHASIZE IS THAT, AS I STRUGGLED THROUGH THESE
- 24 REGULATIONS, IT SEEMED TO ME THAT IN THE EARLY STAGES
- 25 OF RESEARCH, INVESTIGATORS HAD NO NEED TO GO TO THE FDA

- 1 FOR PERMISSION TO BEGIN THEIR LABORATORY WORK. BUT IF
- 2 THEY FAILED TO ANTICIPATE THE FDA REGULATIONS WHEN THEY
- 3 DID THEIR LABORATORY WORK, THEY MIGHT RENDER THEIR CELL
- 4 LINES LESS USEFUL IN THE FUTURE WHEN CLINICAL
- 5 APPLICATIONS WERE WAITING. IT'S NOT ONLY DONOR
- 6 SUITABILITY RULES, IT'S ALSO THINGS LIKE GOOD
- 7 LABORATORY PRACTICES AND OTHER PURELY KIND OF QUALITY
- 8 CONTROL MEASURES THAT ARE ASSOCIATED WITH MANAGEMENT OF
- 9 MATERIALS THAT ULTIMATELY ARE GOING TO BE USED AS DRUGS
- 10 AND DEVICES.
- 11 DR. KESSLER: THE THRUST OF MY QUESTION WAS,
- 12 EVEN AFTER THE PRESENTATION LAST NIGHT AND A WONDERFUL
- 13 PRESENTATION THIS MORNING, THERE'S A WHOLE ANOTHER
- 14 LAYER OF FEDERAL OVERSIGHT THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO
- 15 BE DEALING WITH.
- 16 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, DR.
- 17 KESSLER. I POINT OUT THAT IT IS TREMENDOUSLY FORTUNATE
- 18 FOR THIS INSTITUTE TO HAVE ON THE BOARD BOTH
- 19 DR. KESSLER, FORMER FDA COMMISSIONER, FOLLOWED BY
- 20 DR. FRIEDMAN AS FDA COMMISSIONER. SO IT'S
- 21 EXTRAORDINARY EXPERTISE WE HAVE IN THE BOARD IN MANY
- 22 AREAS TO HELP US THROUGH THIS PROCESS AND IN SETTING
- 23 MODEL STANDARDS THAT MAY AFFECT THE NATION. THAT'S A
- 24 TREMENDOUS BENEFIT TO THE COUNTRY. WE APPRECIATE THEIR
- 25 SERVICE ALONG WITH ALL THE GREAT TALENT THAT'S ON THIS

- 1 BOARD.
- 2 OTHER BOARD MEMBERS?
- 3 DR. STEWARD: A QUESTION. SO I GUESS THE
- 4 DOCUMENT 125.300 HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE OF THE STATE OF
- 5 CALIFORNIA COVERS A LOT OF THIS, BUT MAYBE IN A MORE
- 6 AMBIGUOUS WAY THAN YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT. I GUESS MY
- 7 QUESTION IS, AS WE THINK ABOUT THIS, TO WHAT EXTENT
- 8 DOES REMOVING AMBIGUITY ACTUALLY CREATE THE RISK OF
- 9 COMING INTO VIOLATION OF THE SPIRIT OF THE REGULATIONS?
- 10 HOW DOES THAT ALL WORK?
- 11 MS. CHARO: CAN YOU REMIND ME WHICH -- I
- 12 DON'T HAVE THE NUMBERS MEMORIZED. WHICH ONE IS
- 13 125.300?
- DR. STEWARD: I JUST PULLED THIS UP FROM THE
- 15 HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE CALIFORNIA DERIVATION AND USE OF
- 16 HUMAN STEM CELLS. SO THEY USE THE TERM "POLICY," AND
- 17 I'M NOT QUITE SURE WHAT THAT MEANS. IS THIS LAW? I'D
- 18 ASK THIS OF ANYONE WHO KNOWS. OR DOES POLICY MEAN
- 19 ADVISORY?
- 20 MS. CHARO: THIS IS THE CALIFORNIA STATUTE
- 21 THAT WAS PASSED AND GOVERNS ALL THE NON-CIRM RELATED --
- 22 NIN-CIRM FUNDED RESEARCH IN CALIFORNIA.
- 23 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THAT'S CORRECT.
- 24 MS. CHARO: THERE ARE GOING TO BE SOME
- 25 ADVANTAGES TO HAVING COMMON UNDERSTANDINGS AS BETWEEN

- 1 CIRM AND NON-CIRM FUNDED RESEARCH IN CALIFORNIA.
- 2 THERE'S NO QUESTION ABOUT THAT. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT
- 3 THERE WAS A COMMITTEE THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE SET UP TO
- 4 BEGIN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT CALIFORNIA STATUTE. I
- 5 DON'T PARTICULARLY KNOW EXACTLY HOW FAR ALONG THEY ARE,
- 6 BUT IT WOULD CERTAINLY SUGGEST SOME COLLABORATION TO
- 7 MAKE SURE THAT YOU'RE NOT UNDERMINING ONE ANOTHER'S
- 8 EFFORTS TO COME TO A COMMON UNDERSTANDING AT THE
- 9 INSTITUTIONS. THE LAST THING YOU WANT IS THE
- 10 INSTITUTIONS, ONCE AGAIN, AS THEY NOW ARE WITH FEDERAL
- OR NONFEDERAL FUNDING, TO HAVE TO WORRY CONSTANTLY
- 12 ABOUT THE SOURCE OF FUNDING AND THE DIFFERING RULES
- 13 THAT FOLLOW.
- 14 DR. STEWARD: CAN I ASK A FOLLOW-UP. I THINK
- 15 YOUR ANSWER IMPLIES THAT THESE APPLY TO DIFFERENT
- 16 THINGS, BUT MY READING OF THIS IS ACTUALLY EITHER A
- 17 POLICY OR RULE OR LAW THAT APPLIES TO USE OF HUMAN
- 18 EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
- 19 REGARDLESS OF FUNDING SOURCE.
- 20 MS. CHARO: I UNDERSTOOD THE INITIATIVE TO
- 21 HAVE SAID THAT THE INITIATIVE WOULD HAVE ITS OWN
- 22 STANDARDS AND WOULD NOT NECESSARILY BE SUBJECT TO THAT
- 23 LAW.
- 24 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: AND THIS IS AN ITEM THAT WAS
- 25 SPECIFICALLY DISCUSSED LAST NIGHT AND WOULD BE WORTH

- 1 YOUR ADDRESSING. ONE OF THE MAJOR PROBLEMS IN THIS
- 2 AREA OVER THE LAST 25 YEARS IS LACK OF STABILITY IN
- 3 FUNDING AND STANDARDS. AND ALTA CHARO COMMENTED
- 4 INDEPENDENTLY LAST NIGHT ON THE IMPORTANCE OF STABILITY
- 5 IN RULES FOR THE SCIENTIST IN THE FIELD, AS WELL AS
- 6 RECRUITING NEW INDIVIDUALS IN THE FIELD AND HOW THE
- 7 LACK OF THE STABILITY IN STANDARDS HAS LED TO A LACK OF
- 8 INDIVIDUALS IN THE INTELLECTUAL PIPELINE.
- 9 MAYBE YOU COULD RELATE TO THAT BECAUSE THE
- 10 INTENT OF THE INITIATIVE IS TO CREATE A SET OF
- 11 STANDARDS THAT WILL NOT CHANGE OR BE MANIPULATED EVERY
- 12 TWO YEARS OR FOUR YEARS AS ELECTIONS OCCUR. ALTA CHARO
- 13 SERVED ON PRESIDENT CLINTON'S COMMISSION THAT WENT
- 14 THROUGH A VERY LONG PROCESS TO SET STANDARDS FOR THE
- 15 NATION. IN 1994, WHEN THEY SUBMITTED THOSE STANDARDS,
- ON THE VERY DAY THEY WERE SUBMITTED, A PRESIDENTIAL
- 17 LETTER WAS ISSUED WITHDRAWING THOSE STANDARDS BECAUSE
- 18 THE HOUSE ELECTIONS HAD GONE AGAINST CLINTON IN '94.
- 19 AND IN ORDER TO GET THE NIH FUNDING, THEY COULDN'T
- 20 ALLOW THESE STANDARDS TO GO INTO PLACE BECAUSE IT WOULD
- 21 HAVE TRIGGERED THE RELEASE OF FUNDING FOR STEM CELL
- 22 RESEARCH, WHICH THE NEW MEMBERSHIP OF THE HOUSE
- 23 OPPOSED.
- 24 SO THE STABILITY OF THESE REGULATIONS AND
- 25 STABILITY OF FUNDING, IF YOU COULD COMMENT ON THE

- 1 IMPORTANCE OF THAT TO THIS FIELD.
- 2 MS. CHARO: AND ALTHOUGH I APPRECIATE YOUR
- 3 TELLING THAT STORY, I WILL HAVE TO JUST DEFEND MY
- 4 PRESIDENT A LITTLE BIT BECAUSE HE ONLY OBJECTED TO ONE
- 5 PARTICULAR ASPECT, AND THE REST HE MADE NO MENTION
- 6 ABOUT. AND DR. HAROLD VARMIS WAS IN A POSITION TO
- 7 IMPLEMENT THE REMAINING RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT FEDERAL
- 8 FUNDING IN EMBRYO RESEARCH, BUT WAS CUT OFF BY THE
- 9 DICKIE WICKER AMENDMENT IN CONGRESS, WHICH ENDED THE
- 10 POSSIBILITY OF FEDERAL FUNDING.
- 11 BUT IN TERMS OF THE GENERAL NOTION, A
- 12 PERMANENT SET OF STANDARDS CERTAINLY ALLOWS FOR PEOPLE
- 13 TO PLAN WHAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE IMPOSSIBLE PROJECTS.
- 14 THE INVESTMENT, THE START-UP IN TERMS OF BUILDING YOUR
- 15 PHYSICAL LABORATORY, GETTING YOUR MATERIALS, BEGINNING
- 16 YOUR CULTURES, AND HIRING YOUR POST-DOCS AND GETTING
- 17 YOUR GRAD STUDENTS, ETC. ALL REQUIRES A LONG LEAD-TIME.
- 18 AND IN A FIELD THAT IS DOMINATED BY ACADEMIA IN WHICH
- 19 PEOPLE NEED TO BE ABLE TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE GOING
- 20 TO BE GETTING GRANTS AND HAVING PUBLICATIONS SO THEY
- 21 CAN MOVE FROM GRAD TO POST-DOC TO ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
- 22 TO TENURED PROFESSOR, IT IS NOT GOING TO BE ATTRACTIVE
- 23 TO PEOPLE IF THEY FEEL THAT THEY ARE CONSTANTLY AT RISK
- 24 EITHER OF A SHUTDOWN IN FUNDING OR OF A CHANGE IN
- 25 GROUND RULES THAT MIGHT MAKE THEIR PREVIOUS WORK

- 1 UNACCEPTABLE AND UNUSABLE.
- 2 SO STABILITY IS CRUCIAL TO CREATE THAT
- 3 PIPELINE; AND AS YOU MENTION, FOR 25 YEARS THE ABSENCE
- 4 OF FEDERAL FUNDING FOR EMBRYO RESEARCH HAS VIRTUALLY
- 5 ELIMINATED THE PIPELINE IN HUMAN EMBRYO RESEARCH IN THE
- 6 UNITED STATES, VERY FEW PEOPLE RELEVANT TO WHAT WE
- 7 WOULD HAVE HAD AND RELATIVE TO WHAT YOU SEE IN OTHER
- 8 COUNTRIES WHERE THE FUNDING HAS GONE FORWARD. AND
- 9 WE'RE JUST BEGINNING TO BUILD THAT PIPELINE NOW.
- 10 THAT SAID, THERE IS A CONNECTION BETWEEN YOUR
- 11 COMMENT AND OZZIE STEWARD'S COMMENT ABOUT THE INTERPLAY
- 12 BETWEEN THE CALIFORNIA LAW THAT GOVERNS THE NON-CIRM
- 13 FUNDED RESEARCH HERE AND THE CIRM-FUNDED RULES. IT'S
- 14 POSSIBLE TO WRITE STANDARDS THAT ARE SPECIFIC, BUT THAT
- 15 YOU UNDERSTAND WITH SUFFICIENT LAWYERING OR PERSONAL
- 16 EXPERIENCE WILL SHOW THEMSELVES TO HAVE SOME
- 17 AMBIGUITIES. AND IT'S ALSO POSSIBLE WITHOUT FORMALLY
- 18 REVISING STANDARDS TO BUILD AN INTERPRETIVE GLOSS BASED
- 19 ON EXPERIENCE. IT IS POSSIBLE FOR INSTITUTIONS TO
- 20 COLLABORATE IN FORA, WHETHER ELECTRONIC THROUGH LIST
- 21 SERVES OR IT'S PHYSICAL THROUGH PERIODIC MEETINGS IN
- 22 WHICH THEY TALK ABOUT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF STANDARDS,
- 23 TALK ABOUT WHERE THEY FOUND AMBIGUITIES, TALK ABOUT
- 24 WHERE THEY FOUND THEY DIDN'T WORK, AND BEGIN TO BUILD
- 25 AN INTERPRETIVE GLOSS HOW TO UNDERSTAND THE WORDS AS

- 1 WRITTEN SO THAT THE STANDARDS STAY STABLE, BUT THE
- 2 UNDERSTANDINGS DEEPEN.
- THERE DOES COME A POINT WHERE THE ACTUAL
- 4 STANDARDS THEMSELVES HAVE TO BE CHANGED, BUT OFTEN IT'S
- 5 JUST A MATTER OF UNDERSTANDING HOW TO INTERPRET THOSE
- 6 WORDS, NOT CHANGING THOSE WORDS, AND OBVIOUSLY THIS IS
- 7 RATHER SIMILAR TO THE PROCESS BY WHICH STATUTES REMAIN
- 8 UNCHANGED, BUT DEVELOP AN INTERPRETIVE GLOSS OVER THE
- 9 COURSE OF TIME WITH CASES. IT'S A WAY TO ALLOW
- 10 YOURSELF TO WORK WITH SOMEBODY WHO'S GOT A SLIGHTLY
- 11 DIFFERENT SET OF RULES TO COME TO SOME COMMON LANGUAGE
- 12 AND THEN OVER TIME LOOK AT THE INTERPRETATIONS AND SEE
- 13 IF YOU CAN MAKE THEM CONSISTENT ACROSS THE STATE.
- 14 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO, IF
- 15 I COULD, GIVEN THE TIME CONSIDERATIONS HERE, GO TO THE
- 16 PUBLIC. ARE THERE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THIS POINT?
- 17 BEFORE THAT, DR. FRANCISCO PRIETO.
- DR. PRIETO: JUST A COUPLE OF COMMENTS AND
- 19 MAYBE -- I DON'T WANT TO OPEN IT UP TO ANY MORE
- 20 QUESTIONS, BUT GIVEN THE IMPORTANCE TO THIS UNDERTAKING
- 21 OF THE ULTIMATE CRITICAL IMPLICATIONS, WHICH I THINK WE
- 22 CANNOT ANTICIPATE, ALL THE POSSIBILITIES ARE ALMOST
- 23 ENDLESS, I THINK WHAT WE CAN DO IS MANDATE IN THE MORE
- 24 GENERAL TERMS YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT THE PROCESS,
- 25 PROCESS STANDARDS, AND THE AVAILABILITY OF DATA FOR

- 1 REVIEW DOWN THE ROAD.
- 2 GIVEN THAT, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THE STEM CELL
- 3 BANKING THAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT WOULD ALMOST
- 4 NECESSARILY BECOME THE STANDARD, THE WORLDWIDE
- 5 STANDARD, FOR THIS SORT OF RESEARCH. AND MY QUESTION
- 6 WOULD BE WHO ESTABLISHES AND FUNDS SUCH A BANK? WHO
- 7 MAINTAINS IT? WOULD WE WANT TO JUST ENCOURAGE THIS AS
- 8 A CONSORTIUM OF THE RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS IN
- 9 CALIFORNIA?
- 10 MS. CHARO: IT'S A VERY GOOD QUESTION. I
- 11 DON'T KNOW THAT ANYBODY IS IN A POSITION TO COMPLETELY
- 12 ANSWER IT YET. WE'VE SEEN IN THE AREA OF THE FEDERALLY
- 13 FUNDED RESEARCH ON THE APPROVED FOR FEDERAL FUNDING
- 14 LINES A MOVE BY THE NIH TO CREATE A KIND OF VIRTUAL
- 15 STEM CELL BANK. WE'RE BEGINNING TO SEE SOME INTEREST
- 16 ACROSS EUROPE IN SOME KIND OF COLLABORATION, AT LEAST
- 17 WITH SOME KIND OF LISTING INTERNATIONALLY OF ALL THE
- 18 LINES AND CRUCIAL DETAILS ABOUT THEM.
- 19 THAT DOESN'T ANSWER THE QUESTION OF THE
- 20 ACTUAL MAINTENANCE OF THE LINES, BUT AT LEAST IT GETS
- 21 YOU TO THE KIND OF INTELLECTUAL BANKING; THAT IS,
- 22 INFORMATION BANKING, IF NOT THE ACTUAL PHYSICAL LINE
- 23 BANKING. BUT THERE'S MORE TO BANKING OBVIOUSLY. IT'S
- 24 THE QUALITY CONTROL OF THE ACTUAL MAINTENANCE OF THE
- 25 BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS. IT'S THE STANDARDIZATION OF THE

- 1 MATERIAL TRANSFER AGREEMENTS AND OTHER INTELLECTUAL
- 2 PROPERTY ISSUES, A WHOLE HOST OF THINGS THAT GO ALONG
- 3 WITH IT. IT CAN EITHER BE DONE AS A KIND OF LOOSE
- 4 ASSOCIATION, OR YOU CAN HAVE A SINGLE PHYSICAL BANK.
- 5 I DON'T KNOW WHERE THE FINANCING WOULD COME
- 6 FROM. CERTAINLY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS NOT IN A
- 7 POSITION TO DO IT BECAUSE THEY WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN
- 8 THE FACILITATION OF RESEARCH WITH LINES THAT ARE
- 9 ELIGIBLE ONLY FOR PRIVATE FUNDING. MAYBE THAT WILL
- 10 CHANGE BECAUSE TECHNICALLY IT WOULDN'T FUND RESEARCH
- 11 THAT VIOLATES THE PRESIDENT'S POLICY TO JUST CREATE A
- 12 STEM CELL BANK THAT INCLUDES THE LINES THAT REQUIRE
- 13 PRIVATE FUNDING, BUT I DON'T SENSE ANY MOVEMENT ON
- 14 NIH'S PART TO TAKE OVER THIS TASK.
- 15 IT IS A TASK THAT YOU COULD TAKE ON FOR
- 16 YOURSELVES. IT'S A TASK THAT YOU COULD TAKE ON UNDER
- 17 ANY NUMBER OF CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH IT'S DONE AS A
- 18 SERVICE TO THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTIONS, IT'S DONE AS A
- 19 PAID SERVICE TO THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTIONS, COULD BE
- 20 FREE TO CALIFORNIA, BUT YOU HAVE TO MAKE EVERYBODY ELSE
- 21 IN THE WORLD PAY YOU FOR IT. THERE'S ANY NUMBER OF
- 22 WAYS YOU COULD SET THIS UP. YOU CAN APPROACH EXISTING
- 23 TISSUE BANKS AND ASK THEM TO TAKE ON THE TASK FOR A
- 24 FEE.
- 25 THE WORLD CAN DO WITHOUT IT. IT SIMPLY IS

- 1 SOMETHING THAT FACILITATES CAREFUL TRACKING OF BOTH THE
- 2 ETHICAL ISSUES SURROUNDING THE PROVIDENCE AND THE
- 3 TECHNICAL ISSUES SURROUNDING THE MAINTENANCE AND THE
- 4 INFORMATIONAL ISSUES SURROUNDING THE DISTRIBUTION TO
- 5 WHOM, WHAT DATES, ETC. THAT MANY PEOPLE WOULD FIND
- 6 ADVANTAGEOUS.
- 7 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU. I'M GOING TO GO
- 8 TO PUBLIC COMMENT AND COME BACK TO JOAN SAMUELSON FOR
- 9 ANOTHER QUICK COMMENT. ANY PUBLIC COMMENT?
- 10 MS. DARNOFSKI: MARCY DARNOFSKI FROM THE
- 11 CENTER FOR GENETICS IN SOCIETY. I WANTED TO COMMEND
- 12 ALTA CHARO ON THAT VERY WELL PUT TOGETHER AND HELPFUL
- 13 PRESENTATION OF THE HUGE VARIETY OF ISSUES THAT FACE
- 14 YOU AS YOU MOVE FORWARD AND SAY THAT I THINK IT REALLY
- 15 HIGHLIGHTS THE IMPORTANCE THAT THESE DISCUSSIONS ARE
- OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS THEY WERE LAST NIGHT AND TODAY'S
- 17 IS. AND SPECIFICALLY THAT THE STANDARDS WORKING GROUP
- 18 SHOULD HOLD ITS MEETINGS IN ADHERENCE TO THE OPEN
- 19 MEETINGS LAW THAT WE HAVE IN CALIFORNIA AND FOLLOW THE
- 20 OTHER LEGAL PROTECTIONS THAT WE HAVE IN CALIFORNIA SO
- 21 THAT MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAN PARTICIPATE AS THESE
- 22 VERY SIGNIFICANT RULES AND STANDARDS ARE BEING
- 23 DEVELOPED. AND I THINK THAT WILL ENCOURAGE THE
- 24 STABILITY THAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR, AND IT WILL
- 25 ENCOURAGE PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN THE WORK THAT YOU ARE

- 1 DOING, IMPORTANT WORK THAT YOU ARE DOING.
- 2 SO I THINK THAT A META COMMENT ON THE
- 3 IMPORTANCE OF THE STANDARDS WORKING GROUPS AND THE
- 4 OTHER WORKING GROUPS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE BE OPEN AND
- 5 SUBJECT TO CONFLICT OF INTEREST RULES AS WELL.
- 6 THE OTHER COMMENT I WANTED TO MAKE WAS THERE
- 7 ARE, OF COURSE, MANY ISSUES THAT ALTA DIDN'T GET A
- 8 CHANCE TO ADDRESS. ONE OF THE ONES I THINK IS VERY
- 9 IMPORTANT TO THE WOMEN'S HEALTH COMMUNITY IS THE
- 10 QUESTION OF PROTECTION OF WOMEN WHO WILL BE PROVIDING
- 11 EGGS. THERE ARE A RANGE OF ISSUES HERE. THE RISKS OF
- 12 THESE PROCEDURES. THE HORMONES THAT ARE TYPICALLY
- 13 ADMINISTERED ARE SUBSTANTIAL, BUT WE DON'T HAVE GOOD
- 14 DATA ON IT. THAT LACK OF INFORMATION MAKES INFORMED
- 15 CONSENT VERY DIFFICULT.
- 16 I THINK THERE ARE PROTECTIONS THAT CAN EASILY
- 17 BE PUT INTO PLACE, INCLUDING THAT WOMEN PROVIDING EGGS
- 18 SHOULD HAVE THEIR OWN PHYSICIAN RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR
- 19 HEALTH. OF COURSE, THIS WOULD BE TRUE FOR RESEARCH
- 20 SUBJECTS IN CLINICAL TRIALS AS WELL. SO THAT THERE WAS
- 21 NO CONFLICT BETWEEN THE PROTECTION OF THE EGG
- 22 PROVIDER'S HEALTH AND ANY KIND OF RESEARCH ENTERPRISE
- 23 THAT SAME INSTITUTION OR INDIVIDUAL WOULD BE ENGAGED
- 24 IN.
- 25 I THINK THE QUESTION OF REIMBURSEMENT VERSUS

- 1 PAYMENT IS A VERY TRICKY ONE, AS YOU MENTIONED. IF
- 2 REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNTS ARE SET HIGH, THEY DO CONSTITUTE
- 3 AN INDUCEMENT FOR PEOPLE WHO DON'T HAVE A LOT OF MONEY;
- 4 AND GIVEN THE LEVEL OF RISKS AND THE LACK OF DATA,
- 5 THAT'S, I THINK, SOMETHING WE REALLY IMPORTANTLY TO
- 6 HAVE TO CONSIDER. THANKS.
- 7 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
- 8 COMMENT. I WOULD ALSO CALL THE ATTENTION TO THE
- 9 COMMITTEE AND THE AUDIENCE THAT THE PROVISION AT
- 10 125.290.35(B).5 ON LIMITING THE REIMBURSEMENT
- 11 SPECIFICALLY GIVES EXAMPLES ONLY OF STRICT THIRD-PARTY
- 12 REIMBURSEMENT. TO BE VERY CLEAR ABOUT THE INTENT, NOT
- 13 TO PROVIDE COMPENSATION, BUT ONLY THIRD-PARTY
- 14 REIMBURSEMENT TO REMOVE INDUCEMENT. AND IT'S ALWAYS
- 15 IMPORTANT TO ARTICULATE THAT IN GREATER DETAIL WHEN YOU
- 16 GET THE CHANCE TO DO FULL STANDARDS, BUT I THINK THE
- 17 TEMPLATE IS CLEAR IN INTENT.
- DR. REED: MY NAME IS DON REED. BASICALLY I
- 19 WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY THAT I APPRECIATE THE
- 20 OPPORTUNITY AS A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO BE A PART OF
- 21 THE BIRTH OF THIS GIGANTICALLY IMPORTANT ENTERPRISE. I
- 22 TRY TO GO TO AS MANY OF THESE AS I CAN, AND IT REALLY
- 23 IS AMAZING THE DEGREE OF OPENNESS THAT IS AVAILABLE TO
- 24 THE PUBLIC THAT CHOOSES TO TAKE PART IN THIS.
- 25 I'D LIKE TO SAY ON A PERSONAL NOTE, YESTERDAY

- 1 I TOOK MY SON DOWN TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. HE AND I
- 2 RECEIVED AN AWARD, THE WILLIE SHOEMAKER AWARD FOR
- 3 ADVANCING SPINAL CORD INJURY RESEARCH AWARENESS. AND
- 4 DURING THAT TIME, WHICH WAS A TIME TO HONOR MY SON, HE
- 5 HAD TO BE HUMILIATED. HE HAD TO BE PICKED UP AND
- 6 CARRIED SEVERAL TIMES. HE HAD TO BE CARED FOR -- HE'S
- 7 NOT HERE SO I CAN SAY THIS -- LIKE AN INFANT IN MANY
- 8 WAYS. HERE'S THIS GIGANTIC NOBLE MAN, HAS TO GO
- 9 THROUGH HELL AS PART OF HIS DAILY LIFE.
- 10 THE WORK THAT YOU ARE DOING NOW, ALL THESE
- 11 COMPLICATED THINGS THAT YOU'RE STRUGGLING THROUGH WILL
- 12 BE TREMENDOUSLY SIGNIFICANT TO MANY PEOPLE LIKE MY SON
- 13 AND THE PEOPLE THAT WE HEARD ABOUT TODAY. SO THANK YOU
- 14 FOR DOING WHAT YOU ARE DOING.
- 15 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND
- 16 CERTAINLY YOUR LEADERSHIP WITH THE ROMAN REED ACT OVER
- 17 A NUMBER OF YEARS AND THE STATE APPROPRIATIONS THAT
- 18 HELP THE ROMAN REED CENTER AT UC IRVINE ADVANCE THE
- 19 RESEARCH WITH EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS HAS BEEN AN
- 20 IMPORTANT TRAILBLAZER IN THIS STATE, AND WE ALL HAVE
- 21 GREAT GRATITUDE FOR THAT.
- ARE THERE OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS? WELL, WE
- 23 HAVE THE MIRACULOUS EVENT OF BEING ON SCHEDULE WITH A
- 24 SHORT COMMENT BY MEMBER SAMUELSON AND FOLLOWED BY THE
- 25 STATE CONTROLLER, WHO WE'RE PRIVILEGED TO HAVE HERE.

- 1 JOAN.
- MS. SAMUELSON: WITH THAT PRESSURE, I'LL BE
- 3 BRIEF, AND I KNOW YOU TALK FAST. MY QUESTION IS
- 4 THERE'S THIS 270-DAY OR SOMETHING PUBLIC HEARING
- 5 PROCESS AND OUR OWN PROCEDURES. I'M WONDERING IF IT
- 6 MAKES ANY SENSE TO CONSIDER SOME KIND OF MELDING OF
- 7 THEM, WHICH WOULD GIVE THE TRANSPARENCY AND MAYBE BE A
- 8 USEFUL PROCESS TO MOVE TOWARD THE STABILITY OF
- 9 REGULATIONS THROUGH DEVELOPING THE SAME ONES WITH ALL
- 10 THE INPUT FROM OUR VARIOUS SOURCES BEING PROVIDED AT
- 11 THE SAME TIME. IS THAT JUST OVERENGINEERING, OR IS
- 12 THERE SOME --
- MS. CHARO: I APOLOGIZE. IT MAY BE MY
- 14 RELATIVE UNFAMILIARITY WITH SOME OF THE DETAILS OF YOUR
- 15 INTERNAL WORKING PROCESSES, BUT MELDING WHAT EXACTLY?
- 16 YOU'VE GOT THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND X. WHAT'S X
- 17 THAT YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT MELDING?
- 18 MS. SAMUELSON: X IS OUR OWN PROCESS FOR
- 19 DEVELOPING OUR STANDARDS.
- 20 MS. CHARO: I'M NOT SURE I KNOW WHAT THAT
- 21 PROCESS IS, DO YOU?
- 22 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: I THINK THAT JOAN SAMUELSON
- 23 IS REFERRING TO THE FACT THAT WE HAVE A PROCESS THAT'S
- 24 DETAILED IN THE INITIATIVE FOR ADOPTING INTERIM
- 25 STANDARDS, AND WHETHER AS A BENCHMARK -- THOSE INTERIM

- 1 STANDARDS HAVE TO BE AT LEAST THE NIH STANDARDS AS A
- 2 FLOOR. THEY'RE INTERNATIONALLY AND NATIONALLY VETTED
- 3 STANDARDS. BUT THE DESIRE IS TO IMPROVE ON THOSE
- 4 STANDARDS AND TO FIND A WAY, IF POSSIBLE, TO CREATE
- 5 NATIONAL UNIFORMITY, WHICH WILL HELP THE RESEARCH IN
- 6 CALIFORNIA AS WELL AS IN THE OTHER STATES.
- 7 IF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY STANDARDS ARE EARLY
- 8 ENOUGH AS BENCHMARKED TO ADOPT IN SOME FORM, THEY COULD
- 9 PERHAPS ENHANCE THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH
- 10 STANDARDS, AND THEN IT'S FOLLOWED, WHATEVER THOSE
- 11 INTERIM STANDARDS ARE THAT ARE ADOPTED, BY A 270-DAY
- 12 PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS WHERE WE TRY AND REALLY IMPROVE
- 13 AND EXAMINE WHICHEVER SET OF STANDARDS WE START OFF AS
- 14 THE INTERIM STANDARDS.
- 15 MS. CHARO: THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NO PROBLEM
- 16 WITH THE PRELIMINARY STEPS TAKING PLACE WITH ALL THE
- 17 HELP YOU CAN GET. I THINK IN LAST NIGHT'S MORE
- 18 EXTENDED DISCUSSION WE STARTED WITH THE SCOPE OF
- 19 COVERAGE. AN INITIAL QUESTION ABOUT HOW MUCH YOU WANT
- 20 TO HAVE COVERED UNDER THE STANDARDS NOW AND HOW MUCH
- 21 YOU'D LIKE TO PUT OFF TO ANOTHER DAY IS A DISCUSSION
- 22 THAT BENEFITS FROM LOTS OF INPUT ACROSS PUBLIC AND
- 23 RESEARCH COMMUNITIES, THEN IDENTIFYING WHICH THINGS ARE
- 24 EASY AND WHICH THINGS NEED FURTHER DISCUSSION FOR
- 25 POLICY MAKING, ALL OF WHICH CAN EASILY PRECEDE THE

- 1 ADOPTION, THE FORMAL ADOPTION, OF ANYTHING AS AN
- 2 INTERIM STANDARD, WHICH THEN BEGINS TO TRIGGER YOUR
- 3 PUBLIC FORUM MEETINGS.
- 4 SO THERE ARE THESE KINDS OF INCREMENTAL STEPS
- 5 THAT CAN BE TAKEN PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF THE
- 6 STANDARDS, MANY OF WHICH BENEFIT FROM COMMENTS FROM THE
- 7 PUBLIC.
- 8 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: I THINK, FOR THE BENEFIT OF
- 9 THE PUBLIC, IN THE DISCUSSION LAST NIGHT, IT WAS
- 10 POINTED OUT THAT IN THE PENDING DISCUSSION ON GRANTS,
- 11 IT HAS BEEN DISCUSSED THAT CLINICAL GRANT APPLICATIONS
- 12 WOULD POTENTIALLY NOT BE RECEIVED IN THE INITIAL ROUNDS
- 13 BECAUSE THOSE STANDARDS MAY TAKE MORE TIME TO DEVELOP.
- 14 ADDITIONALLY, IT'S A PENDING DISCUSSION ITEM THAT
- 15 PRIVATE COMPANY GRANTS MIGHT NOT BE RECEIVED IN THE
- 16 INITIAL ROUND BECAUSE THOSE STANDARDS MIGHT TAKE MORE
- 17 TIME TO DEVELOP.
- 18 SO THE POINT IS THAT IT'S POSSIBLE FOR THE
- 19 BOARD TO DECIDE ON A SEGMENT OF STANDARDS THEY FEEL
- 20 VERY COMFORTABLE WITH, ACCEPT GRANTS THAT ARE ADDRESSED
- 21 IN THAT SEGMENT OF STANDARDS, AND THEN NOT DEAL WITH
- 22 CLINICAL OR OTHER AREAS UNTIL THEY'VE HAD A TIME TO
- 23 BECOME COMFORTABLE WITH THAT AREA OF STANDARDS.
- MS. CHARO: JUST BY WAY OF INFORMATION,
- 25 THERE'S ANOTHER WAY ALSO TO SLICE UP THE UNIVERSE THAT

- 1 MAY HELP YOU IN YOUR GRANT PROCESS. THAT IS, SOME
- 2 PARTS OF THIS UNIVERSE ARE MORE HEAVILY REGULATED
- 3 ALREADY BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. AS AN EXAMPLE WHAT
- 4 DR. KESSLER WAS SUGGESTING, THAT ANYTHING THAT HAS TO
- 5 GO THROUGH AN IND PROCESS IS ALREADY SUBJECT TO A VERY
- 6 STRICT REGULATORY SYSTEM WITH REPEATED MEETINGS AND
- 7 EXAMINATIONS OF THE SAFETY AND ETHICS OF THE CLINICAL
- 8 TRIALS, SO THERE ARE GOING TO BE ASPECTS EVEN WITHIN
- 9 THE WORLD OF CLINICAL TRIALS MAY ACTUALLY HAVE THE
- 10 ADVANTAGE OF ALREADY HAVING VERY DETAILED STRUCTURED
- 11 OVERSIGHT.
- 12 THERE MAY ALSO BE SOME THAT ARE CLEARLY
- 13 WITHIN THE PURVIEW OF YOUR IRB'S AND, THEREFORE, HAVE
- 14 STRUCTURED OVERSIGHT SUBJECT TO FEDERAL REGULATIONS.
- 15 AND THOSE AREAS MAY BE ONES WHERE THERE'S LESS OF A GAP
- 16 TO BE FILLED IN.
- 17 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: I'M GOING TO GIVE
- DR. BALTIMORE THE CLOSING COMMENT HERE BEFORE WE MOVE
- 19 TO THE STATE CONTROLLER.
- 20 DR. BALTIMORE: THIS MAY BE A REAL CONFUSION
- OR AN APPARENT ONE. BUT AT THE MOMENT, PARTICULARLY
- 22 FEDERALLY FUNDED RESEARCH, THE IRB FUNCTIONS AT THE
- 23 LOCAL INSTITUTIONAL LEVEL. WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT
- 24 DEVELOPING STANDARDS FOR AN ORGANIZATION, WHICH IN THIS
- 25 CASE IS A FUNDING ORGANIZATION, HOW ARE THOSE STANDARDS

- 1 APPLIED AT THE INSTITUTIONAL LEVEL?
- 2 MS. CHARO: WELL, I CAN TELL YOU HOW IT WORKS
- 3 WITH JDRF, FOR EXAMPLE. JDRF FUNDS RESEARCH. THOSE
- 4 INVESTIGATORS HAVE TO GO TO THEIR LOCAL IRB'S FOR
- 5 APPROVAL. JDRF HAS STANDARDS THAT MAY IN MANY CASES GO
- 6 BEYOND WHAT THE LOCAL IRB'S HAVE EVER THOUGHT ABOUT.
- 7 THEY CERTAINLY GO BEYOND ANYTHING IN THE FEDERAL
- 8 REGULATIONS. SO A JDRF INVESTIGATOR CAN ONLY GET
- 9 FUNDED IF THE PROTOCOL MEETS JDRF'S RULES, THEN GOES TO
- 10 THE IRB. AND THE ROLE OF THE IRB IS TO MAKE SURE THAT
- 11 NONE OF THE RULES THAT JDRF LAID DOWN ARE INCONSISTENT
- 12 WITH THE IRB'S RULES. THEY DON'T HAVE TO BE IDENTICAL.
- 13 THE IRB MIGHT BE MORE LIBERAL THAN JDRF, BUT
- 14 SO LONG AS JDRF'S RULES ARE NOT INCONSISTENT, THAT PART
- 15 IS OKAY. AND THEN THE IRB MAY ADD EXTRA THINGS THAT
- 16 JDRF DIDN'T THINK ABOUT THAT CAME OUT OF THE WORLD OF
- 17 IRB REVIEW. AND THEN THE INVESTIGATOR HAS TO GO BACK
- 18 TO JDRF AND MAKE SURE THAT ANYTHING ADDED BY IRB
- 19 DOESN'T VIOLATE WHAT JDRF WANTS FOR ITS GRANTEES. AND
- 20 SO LONG AS EVERYBODY IS COMPLEMENTING ONE ANOTHER AS
- 21 OPPOSED TO CONFLICTING WITH ONE ANOTHER, ONE CAN SIMPLY
- OPERATE IN CONFORMITY WITH BOTH SETS OF RULES.
- 23 IT'S NOT THAT BAD. IT'S NOT THAT BAD.
- 24 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: I THINK WE OWE ALTA CHARO A
- 25 GREAT ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR COMING ALL THE WAY OUT

- 1 HERE.
- 2 (APPLAUSE.)
- 3 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WE THANK HER FOR HER
- 4 CONTINUED ASSISTANCE. THE NEXT ITEM ON OUR AGENDA IS
- 5 GOING TO BE THE PRESENTATION BY STATE CONTROLLER STEVE
- 6 WESTLY. WE'RE GOING TO MOVE THE ADOPTION -- APPROVAL
- 7 OF PRIOR MINUTES TO THE AFTERNOON SESSION.
- 8 I WANT TO REMIND EVERYONE THAT IT'S
- 9 PARTICULARLY APPROPRIATE THAT STEVE ADDRESSES US HERE
- 10 AT STANFORD SINCE HE HAS TAUGHT AT THE STANFORD
- 11 BUSINESS SCHOOL, BECAUSE HE IS PART OF THE LEGEND OF
- 12 THE BAY AREA IN BEING ONE OF THE GREAT PIONEERS THAT
- 13 BROUGHT US EBAY. AND BOTH IN ITS MARKETING AND ITS
- 14 INTERNATIONAL DIVISIONS IN ITS EARLY DAYS, HE HAD THE
- 15 CAPACITY TO BRING A VISION TO LIFE, WHICH HE IS HELPING
- 16 US TO DO AGAIN.
- 17 AS A MEMBER OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS OF
- 18 THE STATE, HE MONITORS THE STATE'S CASH FLOW, AUDITING,
- 19 HE'S THE WATCHDOG FOR THE STATE, HE'S A MEMBER OF 57
- 20 BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. ALL THE MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD
- 21 WILL APPRECIATE THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THAT. AND HE'S A
- 22 MEMBER OF THE FRANCHISE TAX BOARD, THE BOARD OF
- 23 EQUALIZATION, CALPERS AND CALSTRS.
- 24 SO THE STATE CONTROLLER IS A TREMENDOUSLY
- 25 IMPORTANT INDIVIDUAL IN THIS STATE. AS I SAID, HE

- 1 SIGNED ON VERY EARLY TO PROP 71. HE HAD THE VISION OF
- 2 WHAT THIS COULD DO FOR THE STATE, AND WE VERY ARE
- 3 DEEPLY INDEBTED FOR THAT AND THE COOPERATION HE HAS
- 4 BROUGHT TO US IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR ACCOUNTABILITY
- 5 STANDARDS, OUR AUDITING, AND OUR PROGRAMS TO DATE ON
- 6 CONTINUING BASIS. STEVE WESTLY.
- 7 (APPLAUSE.)
- 8 MR. WESTLY: THANK YOU, BOB. I'M ABSOLUTELY
- 9 DELIGHTED TO BE HERE WITH THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS, FIVE
- 10 OF WHOM I APPOINTED. I'M DELIGHTED TO HAVE YOU HERE.
- 11 AS BOB MENTIONED, I HAVE TWO DEGREES FROM STANFORD.
- 12 EVEN MORE AMAZINGLY, I SERVED FOR 19 YEARS AS A
- 13 FRESHMAN ADVISOR IN LOGANITA (PHONETIC). AND AS
- 14 DR. PIZZO KNOWS, IF YOU'VE EVER EATEN THE FOOD SERVICE
- 15 THERE, YOU APPRECIATE WHAT A COMMITMENT THAT IS TO THE
- 16 UNIVERSITY.
- NOW, LET ME JUMP RIGHT INTO THIS. FIRST, I
- 18 WANT TO THANK EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU. YOU ARE SOME
- 19 OF NOT ONLY THE BRIGHTEST PEOPLE, BUT THE BUSIEST
- 20 PEOPLE IN THE WORLD, AND THE FACT THAT YOU'RE GIVING
- 21 YOURSELVES, PUTTING YOURSELVES INTO THE PUBLIC
- 22 SPOTLIGHT, CHARTING ABSOLUTELY NEW TERRITORY TO MAKE
- 23 HISTORY AND DO SOMETHING UPON WHICH PEOPLE'S LIVES
- 24 DEPEND ON, I JUST WANT TO SALUTE ALL OF YOU FOR DOING
- 25 THIS.

- 1 WE'RE CREATING A LITTLE HISTORY HERE.
- THERE'S A GREAT DEBATE ABOUT OPENNESS, TRUST,
- 3 ACCOUNTABILITY. I'M HERE FULLY COMMITTED TO YOU TO
- 4 MAKE SURE THAT TOGETHER AS A GROUP WE'RE SUCCESSFUL IN
- 5 CONTINUING TO EARN THE PUBLIC TRUST. I WANT TO START
- 6 OUT BY THANKING YOU FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO OPENNESS.
- 7 HAVING PUBLIC MEETINGS IN FACILITIES LIKE THIS IS A
- 8 HUGE STEP FORWARD.
- 9 SO LET ME BEGIN WITH A NUMBER OF POINTS THAT
- 10 ARE AIMED AT BEING HELPFUL TO YOU. WE HAVE COMMITTED
- ONE OF MY SENIOR AND, FRANKLY, THE MOST SENIOR
- 12 FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY EXPERTS IN STATE GOVERNMENT,
- 13 WALTER BARNES. HE WAS ON MY STAFF, AND WE HAVE
- 14 DEDICATED HIM TO THIS EFFORT BECAUSE BOB AND I FELT IT
- 15 WAS SO ESSENTIAL TO ENSURE THAT YOU LIFT IT OFF QUICKLY
- 16 TO HAVE SOMEONE WITH THAT EXPERTISE. AND WALTER IS NOW
- 17 COMMITTED TO YOU FULL TIME.
- 18 SECOND -- BY THE WAY, WALTER BRINGS NOT ONLY
- 19 FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT BACKGROUND, AUDITS EXPERIENCE WITH
- 20 THE STATE -- WALTER, I'M AFRAID TO ASK. HOW MANY YEARS
- 21 OF STATE SERVICE DO YOU HAVE?
- MR. BARNES: THIRTY-NINE, GOING ON 40.
- 23 (APPLAUSE.)
- 24 MR. WESTLY: WALTER KNOWS EVERY IN AND OUT OF
- 25 SACRAMENTO. HE'LL BE EXTREMELY HELPFUL TO YOU TO MAKE

- 1 SURE THAT YOU ADHERE TO THE SPIRIT AS WELL AS THE CODE
- 2 OF THE LAW THAT I KNOW YOU WILL WANT. YOU HAVE THE
- 3 FULL SUPPORT OF THE STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE. WE WILL
- 4 HELP YOU SET UP. WE WANT TO HELP ENSURE THERE'S A
- 5 SUCCESSFUL LAUNCH HERE WHERE WE DO EVERYTHING, AGAIN
- 6 DOTTING EVERY I, CROSSING EVERY T, AND MAKING SURE WE
- 7 ADHERE TO THE SPIRIT AS WELL AS THE LETTER OF THE LAW.
- 8 AS YOU KNOW, I WAS HONORED TO BE AT THE
- 9 INITIAL KICKOFF MEETING. THAT WAS THE FUN PART. NOW
- 10 YOU'RE WORKING THROUGH THE DETAILS. I WANT TO BE HERE
- 11 WITH YOU FOR THAT AS WELL. MANY OF YOU KNOW I WILL
- 12 CHAIR THE FAOC, WHICH WILL BE CONVENING SOMETIME NEXT
- 13 YEAR, BUT WE'RE GOING TO HELP YOU IN THE INTERIM GET
- 14 THOSE RIGHT AUDIT STANDARDS SET UP. WE'LL ALSO BE
- 15 PROACTIVELY SUGGESTING IDEAS FOR YOU TO CONSIDER TO
- 16 MAKE SURE THAT WE MEET ALL OF THE STANDARDS OF PUBLIC
- 17 ACCOUNTABILITY.
- NOW, A QUICK MINUTE ABOUT THE CONTROLLER'S
- 19 OFFICE ROLE. I'M THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S CHIEF
- 20 FISCAL OFFICER. I'M ALSO THE PRIMARY AUDITOR, IN MANY
- 21 WAYS THE CHIEF ACCOUNTANT. I PAY THE STATE'S BILLS,
- 22 INCLUDING YOUR TAX REFUNDS. BE NICE TO ME. I AUDIT
- 23 ALL STATE EXPENDITURES. AND AS, ACCORDING TO THE
- 24 LANGUAGE OF THE INITIATIVE, YOU ARE TECHNICALLY A STATE
- 25 AGENCY, IT'S MY RESPONSIBILITY TO AUDIT ALL CLAIMS AND

- 1 PAYMENTS FROM THE INSTITUTE. WE WILL DO THAT. WE'LL
- 2 WORK CLOSELY WITH YOU ON THAT. WE'LL AUDIT ON A CLAIM
- 3 BASIS AS WELL AS FOUR TO SIX MONTHS. WE'LL START DOING
- 4 SOME TEST AUDITS JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYTHING IS
- 5 DONE APPROPRIATELY.
- 6 THE ONE THING IN THIS WORLD YOU KNOW, YOU
- 7 DON'T WANT SURPRISES LATER, SO WE'RE IN HERE FROM
- 8 GROUND ZERO WORKING WITH YOU TO MAKE SURE THINGS ARE
- 9 DONE RIGHT AND THE RIGHT PROCESSES ARE PUT IN PLACE.
- 10 WE'LL ALSO RECOMMEND IMPROVEMENTS WITH EVERY AUDIT WE
- 11 ISSUE, AND WE'LL DO IT IN A COLLABORATIVE WAY.
- 12 NEXT, HELPING THE ICOC. THE FAOC WILL REVIEW
- 13 YOUR INDEPENDENT AUDIT EACH YEAR. THAT IS OUR
- 14 STATUTORY REQUIREMENT. MY OFFICE WANTS TO HELP PUT
- 15 FISCAL CONTROLS IN PLACE NOW SO THE REVIEWS WILL BE A
- 16 SUCCESS WHEN WE DO THEM IN A YEAR. I WANT TO URGE YOU
- 17 TO PUT PERFORMANCE CONTROLS IN PLACE NOW SO YOU CAN
- 18 CLEARLY REPORT TO THE TAXPAYERS ON THE WORK YOU'RE
- 19 DOING; I.E., SET SOME OF YOUR OWN STANDARDS THAT YOU
- 20 HOPE TO REPORT BACK ON.
- 21 ALL OF THE EYES OF THE WORLD ARE ON THE
- 22 CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR REGENERATIVE MEDICINE. I
- 23 THINK YOU ALL KNOW THE BROMIDE, THE SINCEREST FORM OF
- 24 FLATTERY IS IMPERSONATION. FOLKS, THERE'S AT LEAST
- 25 SEVEN STATES LOOKING AT DOING THE EXACT SAME THING YOU

- ARE, AS WELL AS ANOTHER HALF A DOZEN COUNTRIES, BUT WE
- 2 CAN AID THE WORLD BY GETTING IT RIGHT HERE FIRST. I
- 3 FULLY INTEND TO HELP ENSURE YOU DO THAT.
- 4 MY STAFF IS NOW REVIEWING BEST PRACTICES AT
- 5 OTHER UNIVERSITIES' RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS, NOT JUST
- 6 AROUND THE COUNTRY, BUT THE WORLD. WE'LL SHARE THESE
- 7 WITH YOU. OBVIOUSLY PEOPLE DO MAKE MISTAKES, AND WE'RE
- 8 MAKING A LITTLE HISTORY HERE. WE'RE TRYING TO LEARN AS
- 9 MUCH AS WE CAN FROM OTHER ENTERPRISES AND TO SHARE THAT
- 10 WITH YOU UP FRONT.
- 11 AT THIS POINT I WOULD JUST LIKE TO PAUSE FOR
- 12 A MOMENT TO INTRODUCE AND INVITE TO THE PODIUM VINCE
- 13 BROWN ON MY STAFF. VINCE IS ONE OF THE MOST SEASONED
- 14 EXECUTIVES IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. HE'S MY CHIEF
- 15 OPERATING OFFICER. BEFORE COMING TO WORK IN THE
- 16 CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, HE OVERSAW A GROUP OF JUST UNDER
- 17 3,000 PEOPLE AT CALPERS. HE'S A PROFESSIONAL
- 18 ADMINISTRATOR AND ONE OF THE BEST WE HAVE AND AN EXPERT
- 19 IN THE AUDIT AREA. SO I'D LIKE VINCE TO COME AND SAY A
- 20 FEW WORDS, AND THEN I'LL CLOSE WITH SOME FINAL
- 21 THOUGHTS.
- 22 MR. BROWN: GOOD MORNING. I'M GOING TO BE
- 23 VERY BRIEF. I KNOW YOU'VE HAD A LONG MORNING AND HAVE
- 24 A LONGER AFTERNOON. FOR THE RECORD, I'M VINCE BROWN.
- 25 I'M THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER FOR THE STATE

- 1 CONTROLLER. OUR STAFF HAS SUBMITTED AN AGENDA ITEM FOR
- 2 YOUR REVIEW THAT PROVIDES DETAILS, BOTH THE ROLE OF THE
- 3 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, AS WELL AS A REVIEW OF SOME OF THE
- 4 BEST PRACTICES THAT WE HAVE LOOKED AT.
- 5 JUST IN A NUTSHELL, THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE'S
- 6 ROLE, AND AS STEVE WESTLY WE WILL PROBABLY CONVENE
- 7 SOMETIME IN 2006, DEPENDING ON WHEN YOUR FIRST
- 8 FINANCIAL AUDIT IS COMPLETED, BUT OUR PRIMARY ROLE IS
- 9 TO REVIEW THAT ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT, REVIEW THE STATE
- 10 CONTROLLER'S ANNUAL REPORT OF THAT AUDIT, AND REVIEW
- 11 THE FINANCIAL PRACTICES OF THE INSTITUTE. AND TOWARDS
- 12 THAT END, WE ARE WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH WALTER TO
- 13 MAKE SURE THAT YOU GET YOUR INTERNAL CONTROLS IN PLACE
- 14 SO THAT YOU DON'T HAVE ANY PROBLEMS PAYING YOUR BILLS
- 15 AND CUTTING THE CHECKS.
- 16 WE WILL ALSO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE
- 17 ICOC AND THE INSTITUTE IN REGARDS TO FINANCIAL
- 18 PRACTICES AND PERFORMANCE. AND FINALLY, WE WILL
- 19 CONDUCT THAT PUBLIC MEETING, BUT WE WILL ALSO EVALUATE
- 20 PUBLIC COMMENTS AND INCLUDE APPROPRIATE SUMMARIES IN
- THE CONTROLLER'S ANNUAL REPORT.
- AS I NOTED, TO ASSIST THE ICOC, WE HAVE
- 23 IDENTIFIED THE BEST PRACTICES OF BOTH THE NATIONAL
- 24 SCIENCE FOUNDATION, THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH,
- 25 AND THE STEM CELL RESEARCH FOUNDATION, WHICH IS SORT OF

- 1 A NEW GROUP THAT DEALS WITH PRIVATE PRACTICE AND VERY
- 2 SMALL GRANTS. ATTACHMENT A OF OUR AGENDA ITEM COMPARES
- 3 GRANT ADMINISTRATION AND FISCAL PRACTICES FOR YOUR
- 4 CONSIDERATIONS.
- 5 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: VINCE, IF I CAN HELP THE
- 6 BOARD, WE'RE LOOKING AT TAB 7.
- 7 MR. BROWN: BRINGS BACK THE OLD PERS DAYS
- 8 WHEN MY CHAIR WOULD SAY LET'S GO TO THIS TAB.
- 9 BOTH THE NSF AND NIH RELY ON UNIFORM
- 10 GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES TO ADMINISTER AND ACCOUNT FOR
- 11 GRANTS. BOTH THE NSF AND NIH EMPLOY A PEER REVIEW
- 12 PROCESS TO EVALUATE GRANTS BEFORE FORWARDING TO A
- 13 SECOND ADVISORY GROUP, AND WE UNDERSTAND THAT YOUR
- 14 WORKING GROUP WILL PERFORM THAT FUNCTION FOR YOU, AND I
- 15 THINK THAT'S A VERY POSITIVE STEP. BOTH THE NSF AND
- 16 NIH REQUIRE THEIR GRANTEES TO FOLLOW AUDIT REQUIREMENTS
- 17 SPECIFIED IN OMB CIRCULAR A133. I WON'T GET INTO THE
- 18 TECHNICAL NUANCES. THAT'S FOR THE ACCOUNTANTS TO TALK
- 19 ABOUT, BUT THERE IS A PARADIGM OUT THERE FOR YOU.
- 20 OUR RESEARCH ALSO DISCLOSED SOME PROBLEMS OF
- 21 NSF AND NIH GRANTS THAT WE IDENTIFY IN ATTACHMENT B. I
- 22 WON'T GO INTO ANY GREAT DETAIL THERE, BUT THOSE ARE
- 23 SOME TROUBLE SPOTS THAT YOU SHOULD BE LOOKING AT AS YOU
- 24 GO THROUGH YOUR EARLY GRANT PROCESS. I THINK IT'S
- 25 ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL THAT YOU BE AWARE OF THESE SO THAT

- 1 YOU DON'T SUFFER ANY OF THE CONSEQUENCES THAT MAY HAVE
- 2 OCCURRED FOR BOTH THE NSF AND THE NIH.
- FINALLY, ATTACHMENT C OUTLINES INTERNAL
- 4 CONTROL MEASURES THAT PROVIDE PROPER ACCOUNTABILITY
- 5 OVER PUBLIC FUNDS. SPECIFICALLY, YOU MAY WISH TO
- 6 PURSUE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS: REVIEW AND CONSIDER
- 7 INCORPORATING SOME OF THE FEDERALLY ADOPTED GUIDELINES
- 8 INTO THE INSTITUTE'S GRANT MAKING PROCESS, CONSIDER
- 9 ADOPTING THE PEER REVIEW, AS WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT, AND
- 10 YOU HAVE THAT IN PLACE, CONSIDER ADOPTING SOME OF THE
- 11 STEM CELL RESEARCH FOUNDATION FUNDING REQUIREMENTS FOR
- 12 SMALL PROJECTS AND AWARDS OF LESSER AMOUNTS.
- 13 IF YOU ARE GOING TO GO IN THAT DIRECTION,
- 14 THEY SORT OF HAVE A FRAMEWORK THAT YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO
- 15 UTILIZE. AND CLEARLY CLARIFY AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR
- 16 THE INSTITUTES AND ITS GRANTEES. THAT'S ABSOLUTELY
- 17 CRITICAL. WE'VE HAD A NUMBER OF PROBLEMS AT THE STATE
- 18 LEVEL WITH GRANTS WITHOUT APPROPRIATE FISCAL CONTROLS
- 19 GOING OUT FOR FUNDING WHERE WE HAVE PROBLEMS AFTER THE
- 20 FACT. SO YOU REALLY NEED TO HAVE A SOLID FRAMEWORK
- 21 BEFORE YOU ISSUE THESE GRANTS BECAUSE AS WE'RE GOING
- 22 THROUGH SOME PARKS AND REC GRANTS RIGHT NOW AND SOME
- 23 OTHER AUDITS THAT WE'RE DOING, THINGS GET OUT THE DOOR.
- 24 IT'S NOT VERY COMPLIMENTARY IN THE PRESS. LET ME JUST
- 25 PUT IT THAT WAY.

- 1 IN CONCLUSION, I THINK YOU'RE TAKING THE
- 2 RIGHT PROACTIVE STEPS. WE WANT TO WORK VERY CLOSELY
- 3 WITH YOU TO HELP YOU ESTABLISH BOTH YOUR INTERNAL
- 4 CONTROLS AND HELP YOU IN SETTING UP A FRAMEWORK FOR
- 5 YOUR GRANTS. AS I SAID, WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING
- 6 WITH THE ICOC AND THE INSTITUTE.
- 7 WITH THAT, I'LL TURN BACK IT OVER TO STEVE.
- 8 MR. WESTLY: THANK YOU, VINCE. AS YOU KNOW,
- 9 PROP 71 REQUIRED ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS BE CAPPED AT 3
- 10 PERCENT. THIS IS ONE OF THE THINGS WE WANT TO CLOSELY
- 11 WORK WITH YOU ON TO MAKE SURE WE UNDERSTAND WHAT ALL IS
- 12 INCLUDED IN THAT LIMIT SO THERE ARE NO SURPRISES LATER.
- 13 THIS IS FOR BOTH ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AS WELL AS FOR
- 14 RESEARCH. WE'RE WORKING NOW WITH THE ATTORNEY
- 15 GENERAL'S OFFICE TO GET A CLEAR-CUT OPINION SO WE KNOW
- 16 EXACTLY WHAT IS IN AND OUTSIDE OF THAT RULE. AND WE'LL
- 17 CONTINUE TO HELP YOU WITH THIS SORT OF ISSUE SO
- 18 EVERYBODY KNOWS THE GROUND RULES IN FRONT IN ADVANCE SO
- 19 WE CAN MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE COMPLYING WITH THEM.
- 20 WE'LL ALSO MAKE SURE THAT THE INDEPENDENT
- 21 AUDIT WILL INCLUDE A REVIEW OF ALL ADMINISTRATIVE
- 22 COSTS. WE'LL ALSO BE DOING TRACKING OF THE PROGRESS
- 23 AND REPORTING ON PROP 71 OVER TIME. AGAIN, DURING THE
- 24 PROPOSITION, WHICH I WAS VERY INVOLVED IN, WE TALKED
- 25 ABOUT HOW THIS WOULD CREATE NEW JOBS IN CALIFORNIA AS

- 1 WELL AS REVENUES, RESEARCH LEADING TO CURES. WE TALKED
- 2 ABOUT REQUIRING PEOPLE TO SUBMIT GRANT PROPOSALS TO
- 3 IDENTIFY SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE MEASURES TO EVALUATE THE
- 4 JOB. HOW MANY JOBS WE THINK WILL BE CREATED? HOW MUCH
- 5 REVENUE MIGHT COME BACK TO THE STATE? WHAT WILL BE THE
- 6 IMPACTS TO THE LOCAL ECONOMY? HOW MUCH REVENUE
- 7 POTENTIAL COULD COME FROM SOME OF THESE ROYALTIES?
- 8 WHAT POTENTIAL CURES MAY OCCUR AND WHEN?
- 9 THESE ARE THE FUNDAMENTAL QUESTIONS THAT ARE
- 10 NOT EASY TO QUANTIFY; BUT I THINK IF WE PUT FORWARD
- 11 SIMPLE, STRAIGHTFORWARD GUIDELINES, WE'LL NOT ONLY BE
- 12 DOING THE COMMITTEE A GREAT SERVICE, BUT THE PUBLIC AS
- 13 A WHOLE. AGAIN, WE'RE CREATING HISTORY HERE. WE'RE
- 14 DOING SOMETHING FUNDAMENTALLY NEW. IT'S UP TO US TO
- 15 PROACTIVELY SET SIMPLE, COMMON SENSE STANDARDS SO THE
- 16 PUBLIC CAN SAY WE GOT A RETURN ON OUR INVESTMENT. SO
- 17 WE WILL PROVIDE AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE TAXPAYERS WITH
- 18 THIS EXTRA PERFORMANCE DATA INCLUDED. I WILL CONTRACT
- 19 FOR A PERFORMANCE AUDIT EACH YEAR.
- 20 I JUST WANT TO CONCLUDE HERE, AND THEN WE'LL
- 21 TAKE ANY OUESTIONS IF YOU WOULD LIKE. LITERALLY THE
- 22 ENTIRE WORLD IS WATCHING WHAT WE'RE DOING. I THINK 50
- 23 YEARS FROM NOW PEOPLE WILL LOOK BACK AND SAY THIS IS
- 24 ONE OF THE MOST DEFINING THINGS THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
- 25 HAS EVER DONE. FOLKS, I DON'T MEAN TO PUT A LOT OF

- 1 PRESSURE ON YOU. YOU COME UP WITH THE RIGHT CURES, YOU
- 2 MAY ALL BE HERE IN 50 YEARS.
- 3 THE TAXPAYERS OF THE STATE HAVE TAKEN A BOLD
- 4 RISK, BECAUSE THIS IS A RISK. THEY'VE STEPPED UP TO
- 5 THE PLATE. I WANT TO DO EVERYTHING I CAN TO HELP
- 6 ENSURE PUBLIC CONFIDENCE ALONG THE WAY. THEY MADE A
- 7 SMART BET BECAUSE I BELIEVE IT IS. MY STAFF IS 100
- 8 PERCENT COMMITTED TO WORKING WITH YOU AND HAVE BEEN
- 9 FROM DAY ONE. I KNOW YOU WILL BE SUCCESSFUL. WE WANT
- 10 TO HELP TAKE CARE OF THESE ISSUES SO YOU CAN FOCUS ON
- 11 THE ONES WHERE MANY OF YOU HAVE THE GREATEST EXPERTISE.
- 12 AND THAT IS FINDING CURES THAT WILL CHANGE THE WORLD.
- 13 I WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU, AND I'M HAPPY TO
- 14 STAY IF THERE IS A QUESTION OR TWO THAT EITHER VINCE OR
- 15 I MIGHT ANSWER FOR YOU.
- 16 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU.
- 17 (APPLAUSE.)
- 18 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: I'D LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT
- 19 THIS IS AN EXTRAORDINARY LEVEL OF COOPERATION WITH THE
- 20 CONTROLLER'S OFFICE REALLY WORKING WITH US AS A TEAM IN
- 21 LEADING US IN THE STANDARDS FOR ACCOUNTABILITY, FOR
- 22 ACCOUNTING, FOR PROGRAM MANAGEMENT. WE'RE GREATLY
- 23 APPRECIATIVE. WITH VINCE BROWN AND HIS TEAM, WHEN YOU
- 24 HAVE THE BENEFIT OF REALLY GETTING DOWN AND DRILLING TO
- 25 THE LEVEL THAT YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT, IS IT THE HOWARD

- 1 HUGHES FOUNDATION THAT HAS THE BEST DEFINITION OF COST
- 2 IN THIS AREA OR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. THEIR RESEARCH
- 3 IS SO THOROUGH, THAT WE REALLY HAVE A TRUE PARTNER HERE
- 4 WHO IS INVESTING THE TIME TO REALLY LEARN THE AREA AND
- 5 HELP GUIDE US THROUGH THIS PATH SO THAT WE HAVE
- 6 EXCELLENT ACCOUNTABILITY. AND THE BUSINESS PRACTICE,
- 7 THE BEST PRACTICE MODEL, WE'RE SETTING UP HERE, OF NOT
- 8 ONLY HELPING TO SET UP THE SYSTEM, BUT COMING BACK AND
- 9 DOING TEST AUDITS FOR US TO HELP US LEARN THE SYSTEM
- 10 BETTER IS GREATLY APPRECIATED AND TRULY A MARK OF A
- 11 BEST PRACTICE THAT HASN'T EXISTED PREVIOUSLY IN THE
- 12 STATE. SO WE'RE DEEPLY INDEBTED TO, STEVE, YOU AND
- 13 YOUR LEADERSHIP.
- 14 MR. WESTLY: AS GAYLE KNOWS, COLLABORATION IS
- 15 NOT ALWAYS THE RULE IN SACRAMENTO. WE'RE HOPING THAT
- 16 WE CAN GET IT RIGHT HERE. WHO KNOWS, IT MAY BE
- 17 CATCHING. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR THINGS WE CAN SPEAK
- 18 TO? IF NOT, PLEASE DON'T -- DR. LOVE.
- 19 DR. LOVE: I JUST HAD A QUESTION ABOUT THE
- 20 OVERALL PROCESS AND THEN A QUESTION THAT KIND OF
- 21 FOLLOWS FROM THAT. IF I THINK I UNDERSTAND IT
- 22 REASONABLY WELL, THE CIRM WILL ESSENTIALLY BE THE
- 23 COMPANY THAT IS BEING AUDITED, AND YOUR OFFICE WILL BE
- 24 THE EQUIVALENT OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR, THE KPMG OR THE
- 25 NY. AND IF THAT STRUCTURE ISN'T KIND OF CORRECT, WOULD

- 1 THIS COMMITTEE HAVE AN AUDITING SUBCOMMITTEE THAT WOULD
- 2 HAVE TO BE RUN AS AN AUDIT COMMITTEE?
- 3 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WE ACTUALLY HAVE THE CHARGE
- 4 OF GETTING AN INDEPENDENT AUDIT THAT IS DONE, AND THEN
- 5 WE HAVE THE EXTRAORDINARY RESPONSE OF STEVE CHAIRING AN
- 6 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE THAT REVIEWS THAT INDEPENDENT AUDIT
- 7 AND TESTS THE ISSUES OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND
- 8 PERFORMANCE IN A PUBLIC HEARING. SO IT'S AN
- 9 UNPRECEDENTED SECOND LEVEL OF OVERSIGHT WITH STEVE'S
- 10 COMMITTEE CHAIRING THIS OVERSIGHT IN A PUBLIC HEARING
- 11 AND PUBLISHING A REPORT EVERY YEAR.
- 12 MR. WESTLY: BOB'S EXACTLY RIGHT. THESE ARE
- 13 LARGE NUMBERS. THE PUBLIC WANTS TO KNOW THERE'S EVERY
- 14 LEVEL OF SCRUTINY. SO FIRST, AS THE STATE'S PRIMARY
- 15 AUDITOR, WE'LL BE DOING ONGOING AUDITS AS A STATE
- 16 AGENCY.
- 17 SECOND, YOU'RE REQUIRED TO DO YOUR OWN AUDIT.
- 18 I CHAIR THIS ENTITY, THE FAOC, WHICH WE'RE IN THE
- 19 PROCESS OF APPOINTING TOP FLIGHT PEOPLE TO EVALUATE
- 20 THAT AS WELL. IT'S A DOUBLE-BLIND CHECK. WE WANT TO
- 21 MAKE SURE WE GET IT RIGHT FOR THE PUBLIC. I THINK, BY
- THE WAY, AS MORE PEOPLE IN THE LEGISLATURE AND THE
- 23 PUBLIC UNDERSTAND THE EXTRAORDINARY LENGTHS WE'RE GOING
- TO, NOT ONLY TO ENSURE OPENNESS, BUT TO ENSURE
- 25 ACCOUNTABILITY AND THAT EVERY DOLLAR IS SPENT, NOT

- 1 PERFECTLY BECAUSE THAT NEVER HAPPENS, BUT AS WISELY AS
- 2 CAN BE AND THAT NOT A SINGLE DOLLAR IS WASTED, I THINK
- 3 PEOPLE WILL REALIZE HOW THOUGHTFUL THIS WHOLE PROCESS
- 4 IS.
- 5 ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? I KNOW THIS IS NOT THE
- 6 MOST SCINTILLATING SUBJECT. THE DISTINGUISHED
- 7 GENTLEMAN AT THE MICROPHONE.
- 8 MR. HALPERN: MR. CONTROLLER, I SHARE YOUR
- 9 PLEASURE IN SEEING HOW OPENLY THIS PROCEEDING IS GOING
- 10 FORWARD AND THE CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE PRACTICES OF THE
- 11 ICOC. I WANT TO RAISE JUST TWO QUESTIONS THAT I'D LIKE
- 12 TO PRESENT TO YOU.
- 13 FIRST OF ALL, RELATES TO THE OPERATING BUDGET
- 14 OF THE ICOC. YOU REFER TO THE 3-PERCENT CAP, BUT IT
- 15 WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT THE PUBLIC WOULD BE REASSURED IF
- 16 WE HAD A LOOK AT THE OPERATING BUDGET THAT HAD BEEN
- 17 DISCUSSED AND APPROVED BY THE ICOC. THAT SEEMS TO ME
- AN IMPORTANT DIMENSION OF ANY KIND OF PROGRAM.
- 19 SECOND QUESTION RELATES TO THE PENDING
- 20 LITIGATION IN THE STATE SUPREME COURT WHICH CHALLENGES
- 21 THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE GOVERNING STRUCTURE OF THE
- 22 CIRM. DO YOU FORESEE THAT THOSE PENDING CONSTITUTIONAL
- 23 CHALLENGES ARE LIKELY TO HAVE ANY IMPACT ON THE
- 24 SALABILITY OF THE BONDS WHICH WILL FUND THE GRANT
- 25 PROGRAM OF THE CIRM?

- 1 MR. WESTLY: LET ME TAKE THE SECOND QUESTION
- 2 FIRST. I CANNOT COMMENT ON ANY PENDING LITIGATION. WE
- 3 BELIEVE THAT THE LITIGATION, AS I UNDERSTAND IT, IS
- 4 WITHOUT MERIT. WE DO NOT BELIEVE IT WILL IMPACT THE
- 5 BOND SALE, BUT I WILL LEAVE THAT FOR THE LAWYERS.
- 6 AS TO THE QUESTION OF THE BUDGET, I THINK
- 7 MR. KLEIN IS BEST ABLE TO SPEAK TO THAT. I BELIEVE IT
- 8 IS HIS FULL INTENT TO MAKE A BUDGET PUBLIC, BUT I'D
- 9 LIKE BOB TO PERHAPS SPEAK TO THAT FIRST.
- 10 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: CERTAINLY. WE'RE VERY
- 11 HOPEFUL THAT TODAY, IF THE BOARD DECIDES TO CONFIRM THE
- 12 INTERIM PRESIDENT, THAT WITH THE APPOINTMENT OF THE
- 13 INTERIM PRESIDENT, WE WILL BE ABLE TO REFINE OUR BUDGET
- 14 ON AN OPERATING BASIS, BRING THAT BACK TO THE BOARD FOR
- 15 APPROVAL IN A PUBLIC HEARING, AND BE ABLE TO MOVE
- 16 FORWARD WITH THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER HAVING SIGNED
- 17 OFF ON AN OPERATING BUDGET.
- 18 WE HAVE TAKEN THE PRECAUTION OF LIMITING
- 19 STAFF HIRES UNTIL WE HAVE THE INTERIM PRESIDENT,
- 20 LIMITING THE EXPENDITURES SO THAT WE COULD RETAIN THE
- 21 MAXIMUM FLEXIBILITY OF THE PRESIDENT IN THE BUDGETING
- 22 PROCESS AND IN THE PERSONNEL POLICIES. SO WE LOOK
- 23 FORWARD TO BRINGING THAT TO THE PUBLIC.
- 24 AND, OF COURSE, WE ARE CURRENTLY BENEFITING
- 25 FROM THE INTERNAL GUIDANCE FROM WALTER BARNES IN THE

- 1 CONTROLLER'S OFFICE IN SETTING UP OUR ACCOUNTS SO THEY
- 2 CAN BE TRACKED PROPERLY AND AUDITED PROPERLY IN
- 3 CONJUNCTION WITH THAT BUDGET.
- 4 MR. HALPERN: I HAD A CHANCE TO BRIEFLY READ
- 5 THE MATERIALS. ONE OF THE THINGS I NOTICE THAT WAS
- 6 MISSING WAS ONE OF THE IMPORTANT PARTS OF OFFICE OF
- 7 MANAGEMENT BUDGETS OVERSIGHT OF THE NIH AND NATIONAL
- 8 SCIENCES FOUNDATION IS THE GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AND
- 9 RESULTS ACT, WHICH PUBLICLY PUBLISHED STRATEGIC PLANS
- 10 AND STRATEGIC GOALS, AND AT THE END OF CERTAIN TIME
- 11 PERIODS MUST REPORT TO THE PUBLIC ON HOW WELL THEIR
- 12 OFFICIALS ACTUALLY FULFILLED THOSE GOALS, BASICALLY
- 13 WHAT THE TAXPAYERS ARE GETTING FOR THEIR MONEY.
- 14 IS THERE ANY INTENTION TO HAVE SOME SORT
- 15 SIMILAR STRUCTURE IN CIRM?
- 16 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: CERTAINLY. IN THE
- 17 INITIATIVE, WE REQUIRE A STRATEGIC PLAN TO BE
- 18 DEVELOPED. WE HAVE BEEN PROCEEDING AS WE'VE STRUCTURED
- 19 AND RECRUITED THE COMMITTEES TO MOVE FORWARD WITH
- 20 DISCUSSION PURPOSES VARIOUS PROGRAMS ON AN INTERIM
- 21 BASIS. BUT WITH THE HIRING OF THE INTERIM PRESIDENT,
- 22 IF THAT IS CONFIRMED TODAY, WE WILL HAVE THE
- 23 OPPORTUNITY TO MOVE FORWARD WITH CREATING A COMMITTEE
- 24 ON STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE INSTITUTE. AND PART OF THE
- 25 OVERSIGHT FUNCTION OF THE CONTROLLER'S COMMITTEE IS TO

- 1 LOOK AT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES NOT ONLY IN TERMS OF THE
- 2 ECONOMIC RESULTS, BUT THE STRATEGIC RESULTS OF THAT
- 3 PLAN.
- 4 MR. WESTLY: LET ME JUST ADD MY VIEW ON IT.
- 5 I AGREE WITH EVERYTHING BOB SAID. ONE OF THE CHARGES
- 6 OF THIS COMMITTEE IS TO COME UP WITH A STRATEGIC PLAN.
- 7 THAT'S WHOLLY APPROPRIATE AND WE'LL BE LOOKING AT
- 8 PROACTIVE WAYS WE CAN EVALUATE THE SUCCESS OF THE PLAN.
- 9 LET ME CARRY IT A STEP FURTHER. FOR MANY
- 10 PEOPLE HERE THE TERM "AUDIT" JUST SOUNDS BORING,
- 11 FRIGHTENING, AND CERTAINLY OBTUSE. WE'RE TRYING TO
- 12 MAKE IT AS CLEAR AS WE CAN TO ENSURE PUBLIC TRUST. IN
- VERY SIMPLE TERMS, IT'S A CONCEPT OF TWO TYPES OF
- 14 AUDIT. FISCAL AUDITS ESSENTIALLY CONCERN MONEY BEING
- 15 SPENT WHERE YOU SAY IT IS. WE WILL DO THAT. THERE'S
- 16 ALSO THIS CONCEPT OF PERFORMANCE AUDITS. THESE ARE
- 17 MUCH TOUGHER BECAUSE THEY'RE SUBJECTIVE, BUT EQUALLY
- 18 IMPORTANT. WAS THE MONEY SPENT IN THE MOST EFFECTIVE
- 19 WAY POSSIBLE? THIS IS WHY I SPECIFICALLY SUGGESTED
- 20 SOME STANDARDS.
- 21 AGAIN, THIS IS ALL NEW TERRA FIRMA HERE THAT
- 22 WE MIGHT EVALUATE OURSELVES ON, BOB AND THE GROUP, AND
- 23 THERE ARE SOME EXTRAORDINARY MINDS AT THE TABLE THAT
- 24 WILL HOPEFULLY SET SOME STANDARDS BY WHICH YOU WILL
- 25 GAUGE YOUR OWN SUCCESS, AND WE WILL COME BACK EACH YEAR

- 1 AND EVALUATE YOUR SUCCESS ON THOSE STANDARDS.
- 2 THE ONLY OTHER THING I WOULD ADD TO THAT IS
- 3 THAT I THINK THERE'S KIND OF A PUBLIC COVENANT HERE.
- 4 THE PUBLIC HAS MADE A RISK, AN INVESTMENT, AND ONE OF
- 5 THE HOPES WAS THAT THERE WOULD BE SOME LEVEL OF
- 6 PAYBACK. I'VE TALKED TO BOB AND SOME OF THE OTHER
- 7 MEMBERS. WE CERTAINLY HOPE THAT IF SOME OF THIS
- 8 TECHNOLOGY BECOMES COMMERCIALIZED, WE DO INDEED FIND
- 9 CURES, THAT THE STATE WILL RECEIVE SOME BENEFITS FOR
- 10 ITS INVESTMENT. THERE'S BEEN LOT OF WORK DONE IN THIS
- 11 AREA, MUCH OF IT, IN FACT, AT STANFORD. WE'RE HOPING
- 12 TO LEARN FROM BEST PRACTICES AROUND THE STATE TO PUT IN
- 13 PLACE FAIR STANDARDS THAT WILL CREATE THE RIGHT
- 14 INCENTIVES SO THAT THE PUBLIC OF THE STATE AND THE
- 15 TAXPAYER CAN GET SOME BENEFIT FROM THE SUCCESS.
- 16 I'LL TAKE MAYBE ONE MORE QUESTION. I KNOW
- 17 THERE'S A PACKED AGENDA FOR THE REST OF THE DAY. I
- 18 KNOW YOU NEED TO FLY OFF TO FAR-FLUNG PLACES. BUT ARE
- 19 THERE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? TERRIFIC. THANK YOU FOR
- 20 LETTING ME BE HERE TODAY.
- 21 (APPLAUSE.)
- 22 MR. WESTLY: I APPRECIATE YOUR WORK YOU ARE
- 23 DOING PUTTING YOURSELVES IN THE PUBLIC SPOTLIGHT. IF
- 24 ANYBODY INVITES YOU TO DINE AT STIRRUM HALL
- 25 RESPECTFULLY DECLINE.

- 1 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: AND IN PURSUIT OF THOSE
- 2 GOALS OF COMING TO A POINT WHERE WE CAN MOVE FORWARD
- 3 WITH THE OPERATIONS OF THIS INSTITUTION, WE HAVE A
- 4 CLOSED SESSION NOW TO DISCUSS OUR CLOSED SESSION
- 5 CONFIRMATION OF INTERIM PRESIDENT FOR THE CALIFORNIA
- 6 INSTITUTE OF REGENERATIVE MEDICINE, WHICH WILL BE
- 7 FOLLOWED BY AN OPEN SESSION WHERE WE WILL DISCUSS THE
- 8 RESULTS OF THAT CLOSED PERSONNEL SESSION. AND SO IF WE
- 9 CAN ADJOURN MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND MEDIA, IF YOU
- 10 COULD PLEASE MAKE YOUR WAY TO THE OUTSIDE, AND WE WILL
- 11 HOPEFULLY BE BRIEF AND TRY AND RECONVENE WITHIN 30
- 12 MINUTES APPROXIMATELY.
- 13 (THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED TO
- 14 CLOSED SESSION, NOT REPORTED NOR HEREIN TRANSCRIBED.
- 15 THE OPEN MEETING WAS THEN RECONVENED AT 01:51 P.M. AS
- 16 FOLLOWS:)
- 17 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WE'RE GOING TO DO THIS VERY
- 18 QUICKLY. IN THIS PROCESS WE APPRECIATE YOUR PATIENCE.
- 19 WE ARE GOING TO CONTINUE THE EXECUTIVE SESSION IN THE
- 20 AFTERNOON. AND WE'RE -- IN THIS OPENING SESSION, SINCE
- 21 WE DID NOT FINALIZE OUR POINTS, WE WILL NOT HAVE AN
- 22 ANNOUNCEMENT AT THIS TIME. IT WILL BE AFTER OUR
- 23 CONTINUED EXECUTIVE SESSION. I THINK WE'RE ALL VERY
- 24 PLEASED WITH THE PROGRESS WE'VE MADE, AND WE HAVE THE
- 25 ADVANTAGE THAT EVERYONE CAN NOW EAT LUNCH. WE

- 1 APPRECIATE YOUR PATIENCE. WITH THAT, WE'RE GOING TO
- 2 RECONVENE, HOW QUICKLY, IN ABOUT 45 MINUTES.
- 3 DR. PIZZO: IT WILL TAKE YOU TIME TO GET TO
- 4 WHERE YOU'RE GOING.
- 5 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: FORTY-FIVE MINUTES IS THE
- 6 SUGGESTION FROM OUR HOST, AND I TAKE THAT SUGGESTION.
- 7 WE WILL RECONVENE IN 45 MINUTES.
- 8 (A LUNCH RECESS WAS TAKEN.)
- 9 AFTERNOON SESSION ICOC BOARD MEETING 02:40 P.M.

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- 11 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IF THE STAFF OF THE ICOC
- 12 COULD ASK THE OTHER MEMBERS WHO MAY BE IN THE LOBBY
- 13 TO -- HOW CLOSE ARE WE TO HAVING ALL THE MEMBERS, IF
- 14 THE STAFF COULD INDICATE? WHAT WE'D LIKE TO DO IS
- 15 WE'RE GOING TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION, HOPEFULLY GO INTO
- 16 A VERY SHORT EXECUTIVE SESSION, CONTINUATION OF THE
- 17 PRIOR EXECUTIVE SESSION, VERY SHORT, COME BACK INTO
- 18 OPEN SESSION AND PROCEED. ALL RIGHT.
- 19 JUST SO THAT ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
- 20 UNDERSTAND, WE'RE GOING TO -- WE ARE OPENING UP IN OPEN
- 21 SESSION. WE'RE GOING TO GO IMMEDIATELY HERE INTO
- 22 EXECUTIVE SESSION. SO WE'RE GOING TO BE CALLING YOU
- 23 BACK IN A VERY FEW MINUTES. YES, I'D LOVE TO NOT GO
- 24 THROUGH THE PROCESS, BUT I'M TRYING TO DO THIS
- 25 PROPERLY.

- 1 WE ARE OPENING UP IN OPEN SESSION ONLY TO
- 2 ANNOUNCE THAT WE NEED A FEW MORE MINUTES IN OUR
- 3 EXECUTIVE SESSION THAT WE CARRIED OVER FROM RIGHT
- 4 BEFORE LUNCH. WE'LL TRY TO KEEP THAT VERY SHORT, AND
- 5 THEN WE'LL COME BACK INTO OPEN SESSION. SO WE'LL
- 6 HOPEFULLY LIMIT THIS TO 15 TO 20 MINUTES. WE HAVE
- 7 OPENED IN PUBLIC SESSION. WE ARE NOW GOING INTO CLOSED
- 8 SESSION.
- 9 (THE BOARD THEN WENT INTO CLOSED
- 10 SESSION, NOT REPORTED NOR HEREIN TRANSCRIBED. AT THE
- 11 CONCLUSION OF THE CLOSED SESSION, THE MEETING CONTINUED
- 12 IN OPEN SESSION AS FOLLOWS:)
- 13 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WE'RE RECONVENING IN PUBLIC
- 14 MEETING. IN THIS PUBLIC MEETING I WOULD POINT OUT THAT
- 15 IT'S CONSISTENT WITH THE INITIATIVE, IT IS REQUIRED
- 16 THAT EVERY EXPENDITURE THAT IS AN APPROVAL OF ANY MAJOR
- 17 APPOINTMENT, ANY GRANT, ANY STANDARD HAS TO BE APPROVED
- 18 IN A PUBLIC MEETING. AND THE ITEM ON THE AGENDA TODAY
- 19 IS TO HIRE AN INTERIM PRESIDENT AND SENIOR SCIENCE
- 20 ADVISOR AS ONE POSITION. WE WILL CONDUCT THIS MEETING
- 21 WITH A MOTION THAT WILL BE PUT ON THE TABLE, THERE WILL
- 22 BE BOARD COMMENT, AND THEN THERE WILL BE PUBLIC
- 23 COMMENTS ON THIS AS IS TRUE OF EVERY ITEM ON THE
- 24 AGENDA.
- 25 SO TO REPORT OUT FROM YOU, THE BOARD REACHED

- 1 A SENSE THAT THEY WISH TO BRING TO THE PUBLIC MEETING
- 2 DISCUSSION OF A MOTION TO HIRE ZACH HALL AS THE INTERIM
- 3 PRESIDENT. HE WILL ALSO CARRY THE TITLE OF INTERIM
- 4 PRESIDENT AND SENIOR SCIENCE ADVISOR. WE ARE
- 5 EXTRAORDINARILY PRIVILEGED TO HAVE DR. HALL WITH HIS
- 6 TREMENDOUS EXPERIENCE IN THIS POSITION, ASSUMING BOARD
- 7 CONFIRMATION.
- 8 THE SALARY UNDER DISCUSSION IS RELATIVELY
- 9 CLOSE TO THE SALARY HE HAD AT USC IN A POSITION WHERE
- 10 HE WAS NOT THE HEAD OF THE MEDICAL SCHOOL, BUT AN
- 11 ASSOCIATE DEAN. IT IS HIGHER THAN THAT SALARY TO
- 12 REFLECT THE FACT THAT HE IS THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
- OF THIS INSTITUTION, AND THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF
- 14 CALIFORNIA, WHEN THEY VOTED FOR THIS INITIATIVE, VOTED
- 15 FOR A SALARY INDEX THAT WOULD LEAD US TO COMPARABILITY
- 16 IN CHOOSING THE BEST AND BRIGHTEST MINDS TO REALLY PUSH
- 17 FORWARD THE FRONTIERS OF MEDICAL RESEARCH AND SCIENCE.
- 18 AND THAT WAS IDENTIFIED AS BEING THE SALARIES AT THE UC
- 19 CAMPUSES THAT WERE INVOLVED IN THE BOARD OF THIS
- 20 INITIATIVE AS WELL AS THE RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS THAT
- 21 WERE APPOINTED BY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS OF THE STATE
- OF CALIFORNIA TO THIS BOARD.
- 23 THE SALARY THAT IS UNDER DISCUSSION IS
- 24 \$389,004. AND THE QUESTION BEFORE US IS IS THERE A
- 25 MOTION FROM THE BOARD TO APPOINT THE INTERIM PRESIDENT,

- 1 ZACH HALL AS INTERIM PRESIDENT AND SENIOR SCIENCE
- 2 ADVISOR WITH THE SALARY OF \$389,004?
- 3 DR. MURPHY: SO MOVED.
- 4 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: LET US TAKE DR. MURPHY AS
- 5 THE MOTION AND THE SECOND WOULD BE.
- DR. PIZZO: I'M HAPPY TO SECOND.
- 7 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THERE'S A MOTION AND A
- 8 SECOND. AT THIS POINT WE'LL HAVE BOARD DISCUSSION
- 9 FOLLOWED BY PUBLIC DISCUSSION. THE ISSUE OF THE
- 10 APPOINTMENT IS OPEN TO COMMENT AS WELL AS THE SALARY.
- 11 ARE THERE BOARD MEMBERS WHO WOULD LIKE TO
- 12 COMMENT ON THIS MOTION?
- DR. BALTIMORE: I'VE KNOWN ZACH HALL FOR
- 14 DECADES. I DON'T EVEN WANT TO EMBARRASS HIM OR MYSELF
- 15 WITH HOW MANY. AND HE HAS A REMARKABLE SET OF
- 16 CREDENTIALS FOR THIS POSITION, HAVING BEEN A SCIENTIST
- 17 HIMSELF OF GREAT RENOWN, HAVING LED AN INSTITUTE OF THE
- 18 NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH AND, THEREFORE, BEING
- 19 VERY COGNIZANT OF THE COMPLEXITY OF A LEADERSHIP
- 20 POSITION IN SCIENCE WHERE YOU HAVE RESPONSIBILITIES TO
- 21 THE PUBLIC AS WELL AS TO THE DISEASE SPECIFIC GROUPS.
- 22 HE'S BEEN AN ADVISOR AND HAD IMPORTANT
- 23 EXECUTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES BOTH AT USC AND AT UCSF.
- 24 AND I THINK WE'RE JUST PLAIN LUCKY THAT HE WAS WILLING
- 25 TO TAKE THIS INTERIM POSITION, WHICH IS FOR A YEAR.

- 1 AND I CAN ATTEST, BEING AN EXECUTIVE OF AN INSTITUTION,
- 2 THAT THE SALARY IS COMMENSURATE WITH SOMEBODY OF HIS
- 3 SKILLS AND RESPONSIBILITY.
- 4 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ARE
- 5 THERE OTHER BOARD COMMENTS?
- DR. PIZZO: ONLY CONCURRENCE.
- 7 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: ONLY CONCURRENCE. ALL
- 8 RIGHT. I WOULD TELL THE PUBLIC THAT WE, IN RESEARCHING
- 9 THE COMPARABILITY OF SALARY, WE BELIEVE THAT IT IS, IN
- 10 FACT, IN THE LOWER PORTION OF THE RANGE IDENTIFIED BY
- 11 SPENCER STUART, AN EXPERT IN THIS FIELD, AND IT IS
- 12 BELOW THAT OF MANY OF THE DEANS IN HIGH COST AREAS IN
- 13 THIS STATE REPRESENTED ON THIS BOARD AND, IN FACT,
- 14 SPECIFIED AS THE COMPARABLE POSITIONS THROUGH THE
- 15 INITIATIVE ITSELF.
- 16 IS THERE PUBLIC COMMENT? PUBLIC COMMENT.
- 17 WE'LL TALK -- START WITH MR. HALPERN. AND MR. HALPERN
- 18 IS VERY FAMILIAR WITH THE THREE MINUTES, AND WE DO
- 19 ALREADY HAVE THE PLEASURE OF HIS WRITTEN COMMENTS.
- 20 MR. HALPERN: THANK YOU. I WANT TO EXPRESS
- 21 GREAT ENTHUSIASM FOR DR. HALL'S SELECTION AS INTERIM
- 22 PRESIDENT. I'M FAMILIAR WITH HIS CREDENTIALS AND HIS
- 23 EXPERIENCE. AND I THINK WE IN CALIFORNIA ARE VERY
- 24 FORTUNATE TO HAVE A PERSON OF HIS EXPERIENCE AND
- 25 IMMINENCE SERVING IN THIS INTERIM POSITION.

- 1 I AM, HOWEVER, TROUBLED BY THE SALARY OF
- 2 \$389,000. I DON'T THINK IT REFLECTS ON HIM TO NOTE
- 3 THAT THAT IS \$100,000 MORE THAN THE HIGHEST PAID
- 4 INSTITUTE DIRECTOR AT THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF
- 5 HEALTH, AND I THINK THAT IS APPROPRIATE MEASURE. A
- 6 SALARY OF \$290,000 WOULD NOT BE OUT OF LINE WITH THE
- 7 UNIVERSITY OF THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL SYSTEM. IT ISN'T
- 8 AT THE HIGHEST RANGES, BUT NEITHER IS IT OUT OF LINE.
- 9 AND I WOULD URGE THE ICOC TO CONSIDER THAT.
- 10 IT'S PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT THAT SALARIES BE
- 11 DEALT WITH PRUDENTLY WHEN THE ORGANIZATION IS STILL
- 12 OPERATING WITHOUT A BUDGET. IF THERE WERE A BUDGET
- 13 WHICH SET A SALARY SCALE AT AN APPROPRIATE LEVEL, THEN
- 14 I THINK THE PUBLIC WOULD HAVE MUCH MORE CONFIDENCE IN
- 15 THIS RATHER THAN HAVE IT BE A KIND OF AD HOC
- 16 DETERMINATION WITH ONE STAFF MEMBER PAID \$155,000 AND
- NOW WE'RE PROPOSING \$389,000. SO I WOULD MAKE THOSE
- 18 POINTS.
- 19 DR. LEE'S AND MY PETITION ALSO SUGGESTS THAT
- 20 NIH CONFLICT OF INTEREST RULES APPLY TO THE CHAIR, VICE
- 21 CHAIR, THE PRESIDENT, AND THE INTERIM PRESIDENT. AND I
- 22 HOPE THAT ICOC HAS MADE AN INQUIRY TO ASSURE THAT THE
- 23 PERSON WHO SERVES AS INTERIM PRESIDENT IS SOMEONE WHO
- 24 WOULD PASS MUSTER AT NIH. I'M SURE WHEN HE WAS AN NIH
- 25 INSTITUTE DIRECTOR, HE MET THEIR CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 1 STANDARDS. I THINK IF HE IS TO ASSUME LEADERSHIP OF
- 2 THIS IMPORTANT INSTITUTION, I THINK HE SHOULD ALSO MEET
- 3 THE CURRENT NIH CRITERIA FOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST.
- 4 THANK YOU.
- 5 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR.
- 6 HALPERN, AND I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOU JOINTLY
- 7 WITH US RECOGNIZE THE SPECIAL QUALITIES AND TREMENDOUS
- 8 RECORD OF ZACH HALL AS AN INDIVIDUAL DEDICATED TO
- 9 MEDICAL RESEARCH.
- 10 ARE THERE OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS?
- 11 MR. REED: I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY THAT I
- 12 THINK THAT THE SALARY IS ENTIRELY REASONABLE. I THINK
- 13 THAT ANOTHER WAY TO LOOK AT IT IS AS A PUBLIC
- 14 CORPORATION, \$3 BILLION PUBLIC CORPORATION, A PRIVATE
- 15 CORPORATION WOULD HAVE NO PROBLEMS GIVING A FAR HIGHER
- 16 SALARY THAN \$389,004.
- DR. HALL IS, AS THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER
- 18 MENTIONED, A RENOWNED INDIVIDUAL FOR HIS WORK AT NINDS.
- 19 I WOULD POINT OUT, THOUGH, THAT THERE IS A DIFFERENCE
- 20 BETWEEN MOVING INTO AN ESTABLISHED ORGANIZATION WHICH
- 21 THE JOB REQUIREMENTS ARE CLEARLY LAID OUT AND MOVING
- 22 INTO SOMETHING LIKE THIS WHICH HAS BASICALLY TWO JOBS,
- 23 NOT ONLY THE ACTUAL WORK, BUT ALSO BUILDING THE ENTIRE
- 24 ENTERPRISE. HE WILL BE THE PUBLIC FACE FOR OUR
- 25 ORGANIZATION, CALIFORNIA'S ORGANIZATION, AND GREAT

- 1 THINGS, ENORMOUS THINGS, WILL BE EXPECTED OF HIM.
- 2 SO I WOULD DEFINITELY SUPPORT AN EVEN HIGHER
- 3 SALARY. IT THINK THIS IS ENTIRELY REASONABLE.
- 4 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I
- 5 THINK THAT'S AN IMPORTANT POINT, THAT WE'RE CALLING ON
- 6 SOMEONE TO HELP LEAD US IN BUILDING AN ENTIRELY NEW
- 7 INSTITUTION, AS WE DISCUSSED THIS MORNING WITH ALTA
- 8 CHARO, HOPEFULLY WITH STANDARDS THAT ARE A MODEL FOR
- 9 THE NATION. CERTAINLY WE'RE INSPIRED BY THE TASK ALTA
- 10 CHARO SET OUT BEFORE US. I KNOW THAT ZACH HALL IS AS
- 11 WELL.
- 12 ARE THERE OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS? SEEING NO
- 13 OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS, I'D LIKE TO CALL FOR A VOTE.
- 14 DOES THIS -- SINCE WE HAVE A VERY HIGH DEGREE OF
- 15 COMFORT WITH THIS CANDIDATE, DO WE NEED A ROLL CALL
- 16 VOTE?
- 17 MR. HARRISON: DO NOT.
- 18 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: ALL IN FAVOR. OPPOSED.
- 19 FOR THE RECORD, JON SHESTACK LEFT ME A NOTE
- 20 THAT HE HAD TO LEAVE FOR A PLANE, BUT HE IS COMPLETELY
- 21 IN SUPPORT OF ZACH HALL IN THIS CANDIDACY.
- 22 WELL, IT IS A PRIVILEGE. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY
- 23 THAT ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD, WE'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE
- 24 ZACH HALL AND THANK HIM FOR JOINING US IN THIS GREAT
- 25 EFFORT AND CHALLENGE. AND WE FEEL VERY PRIVILEGED TO

- 1 HAVE YOU WITH US. THANK YOU, ZACH.
- 2 (APPLAUSE.)
- 3 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: ALL RIGHT. BEING MINDFUL OF
- 4 THE SCHEDULE, WE'RE GOING TO MOVE IMMEDIATELY TO THE
- 5 PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE SUBMISSION WHICH HAS BEEN
- 6 DEVELOPED WITH THE PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE AND
- 7 SPENCER STUART'S FIRM. WHAT'S IMPORTANT HERE IS A
- 8 CONFIRMATION FOR SPENCER STUART'S FIRM AND THE BOARD
- 9 AND THE PUBLIC OF WHAT THE CRITERIA WILL BE IN
- 10 SEARCHING OUT A PERMANENT PRESIDENT.
- 11 AND IF YOU GO TO TAB 17 IN YOUR BINDER, YOU
- 12 HAVE THE SAME MATERIALS AS THE PUBLIC HAS ON THIS ITEM.
- 13 THE ITEM HAS A DESCRIPTION OF THE POSITION, IT HAS A
- 14 DESCRIPTION, A GENERAL DESCRIPTION ACTUALLY, OF THE
- 15 INSTITUTE ITSELF, THEN OF THE POSITION, KEY
- 16 RELATIONSHIPS, AND KEY SELECTION CRITERIA.
- 17 WHILE WE'RE OPEN TO COMMENTS OF THE BOARD AND
- 18 PUBLIC ON ALL THESE ITEMS, I'D LIKE THE BOARD, IF THEY
- 19 COULD, TO LOOK AT PAGE 4, CANDIDATE SPECIFICATIONS, KEY
- 20 SELECTION CRITERIA. WHILE THIS HAS BEEN VETTED BEFORE
- 21 THE PRESIDENTIAL SELECTION COMMITTEE, IT'S IMPORTANT
- 22 THAT WE GET THIS RIGHT FOR THE WHOLE BOARD. AND SO ARE
- THERE BOARD COMMENTS ON THE IDEAL EXPERIENCE?
- NOW, IT WAS DISCUSSED IN PUBLIC, AND SPENCER
- 25 STUART INTENDS TO RELAY THE INFORMATION TO CANDIDATES,

- 1 THAT IT WILL BE A COMBINATION OF THESE SPECIFIC
- 2 CREDENTIALS. WE'RE NOT APT TO FIND A CANDIDATE WITH
- 3 EVERY ONE OF THESE BEING SATISFIED. THAT'S NOT IN THE
- 4 REAL WORLD, BUT WE WANT AS MUCH VALUE AND AS MUCH
- 5 LEADERSHIP AND SCIENTIFIC EXPERTISE AS WE CAN ACHIEVE.
- 6 IT HAS BEEN EMPHASIZED THAT THE RECORD OF
- 7 SCIENTIFIC ACCOMPLISHMENT AND PROFESSIONAL REPUTATION
- 8 IS CENTRAL TO THE TASK. BUT IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT TO
- 9 KNOW IF THERE'S ANY AMENDMENTS FROM THE BOARD TO THIS
- 10 DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE AND CRITICAL COMPETENCIES.
- 11 YES, DR. MURPHY.
- 12 DR. MURPHY: MR. CHAIRMAN, YESTERDAY, AS YOU
- 13 KNOW, THE COMMITTEE MET AND CAREFULLY ASSESSED THIS
- 14 DOCUMENT. AND WE MADE A NUMBER OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR
- 15 CHANGES IN TEXT THAT ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE CURRENT
- 16 DOCUMENT. THE QUESTION IS WHEN WOULD THOSE BE
- 17 PRESENTED, AND WILL THOSE BE INCLUDED NOW OR AT A LATER
- 18 DATE?
- 19 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: SPENCER STUART ATTEMPTED TO
- 20 INCLUDE THOSE, BUT IT IS NOT EVIDENT TO ME THAT THEY
- 21 CAPTURED THE SENSE OF ALL OF THOSE CHANGES. THEY
- 22 PROVIDED THIS OVERNIGHT TO US AS THEIR BEST EFFORT TO
- 23 CAPTURE THEM. I THINK FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC
- 24 AND THE BOARD TO FOCUS ON THOSE THAT ARE NOT INCLUDED
- 25 SO THAT WE CAN MAKE CERTAIN THAT IT IS CAPTURED ON THE

- 1 RECORD.
- DR. MURPHY: DO WE HAVE A RECORD OF THE
- 3 CHANGES THAT WERE MADE YESTERDAY?
- 4 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WE DO. WE HAVE AT THE STAFF
- 5 LEVEL A WRITTEN RECORD OF THE CHANGES, AND WE CAN
- 6 CONFORM WHAT THEY HAVE PROVIDED US WITH TO THAT RECORD.
- 7 I WOULD SAY THAT, FOR EXAMPLE, UNDER IDEAL EXPERIENCE,
- 8 WE SPECIFICALLY USED WORDING IN THAT SECTION, FOR
- 9 EXAMPLE, THAT I'VE JUST TRIED TO CAPTURE ORALLY, THAT
- 10 TALKED ABOUT THE FACT THAT THESE -- SOME COMBINATION OF
- 11 THESE WOULD BE REALIZED, BUT NOT ALL OF THEM. BUT WE
- 12 HAVE A WRITTEN RECORD OF THOSE THAT WE CAN -- THAT WE
- 13 CAN, AT YOUR SUGGESTION, CAPTURE.
- 14 I WOULD LIKE, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, TO
- 15 RECOUNT THOSE TO THE EXTENT THEY'RE NOT TECHNICAL FOR
- 16 THE BENEFIT OF ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS.
- 17 UNDER SCIENTIFIC CREDIBILITY, WE SPECIFICALLY
- 18 REFERENCED THAT THERE WERE A NUMBER OF FORMS OF
- 19 SCIENTIFIC CREDIBILITY WHICH WOULD BE APPROPRIATE,
- 20 INDEXES OF A SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE. AND IT WAS NOT
- 21 NECESSARY, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT PATENTS OR IP WOULD BE A
- 22 COMPONENT OF THAT CREDIBILITY.
- 23 THERE IS A SPECIFIC WORDING TO MAKE IT CLEAR
- 24 THAT OVERSIGHT OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CREATION OF
- 25 SUCCESSFUL THERAPEUTIC PRODUCTS WOULD BE BETTER

- 1 WORDING, FOR EXAMPLE. WHY THEY DID NOT, IN THE
- 2 OVERNIGHT DRAFTING, CAPTURE THEM ALL I CANNOT EXPLAIN,
- 3 BUT WE DO HAVE AN EFFECTIVE RECORD OF ALL OF THOSE
- 4 ITEMS.
- 5 DR. PRECIADO: IT'S DIFFICULT FOR ME. I KNOW
- 6 WE DID MAKE MANY CHANGES TO THE REPORT, AND WE DON'T
- 7 HAVE THAT IN FRONT OF US. AND SO IT SEEMS ALMOST
- 8 REDUNDANT, AS THOUGH WE'RE GOING TO START ALL OVER
- 9 AGAIN MAKING CHANGES TO THE REPORT WHEN, IF WE HAD WHAT
- 10 WE ORIGINALLY WORKED ON, IT WOULD MAKE IT MUCH EASIER.
- 11 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: LET ME ASK THIS QUESTION.
- 12 IT DEPENDS ON THE MEMBERSHIP HERE OF THE BOARD AND
- 13 THEIR DESIRE; BUT ONE OF OUR AVENUES, SINCE THEY DID
- 14 NOT CAPTURE ALL OF THESE CHANGES, THAT WE CAN TAKE AS A
- 15 PATH IS KNOWING THAT WE'VE GONE THROUGH METICULOUSLY
- AND MADE THOSE CHANGES, WHAT WE COULD DO IS ASK THE
- 17 BOARD, AND THIS IS THE SECTION WHERE WE MADE THOSE
- 18 CHANGES IS UNDER IDEAL EXPERIENCE AND CRITICAL
- 19 COMPETENCIES FOR SUCCESS, WE COULD ASK THE BOARD FOR
- 20 ADDITIONAL CHANGES BEYOND THOSE THAT WERE RECORDED IN
- 21 THE TRANSCRIPT, BECAUSE WE ACTUALLY HAVE AN ACTUAL
- 22 TRANSCRIPT OF THAT MEETING, SO THAT WE COULD PICK UP
- 23 ANY ADDITIONAL ITEMS THAT THIS BOARD HAS.
- 24 THIS BOARD ACTUALLY DELEGATED TO THAT
- 25 COMMITTEE TO REVIEW WITH SPENCER STUART THESE CRITERIA.

- 1 SO WE ARE BRINGING IT BACK TO THIS BOARD TO MAKE
- 2 CERTAIN THAT THEY ARE REVISED COMPLETELY. BUT IF THERE
- 3 ARE ITEMS THIS BOARD SEES THAT STAND OUT, IF THEY COULD
- 4 MENTION THOSE ITEMS ON THE RECORD, WE COULD VOTE TO
- 5 RECONCILE AND ADD THOSE TO THE PRIOR CHANGES AND ADOPT
- 6 IT WITH THE PRIOR CHANGES FROM THAT COMMITTEE.
- 7 DR. BRYANT: I JUST DUG OUT YESTERDAY'S
- 8 VERSION. I THINK THIS IS EXACTLY THE SAME. I DON'T
- 9 THINK ANY OF THE CHANGES GOT IN.
- DR. HENDERSON: THAT'S MY PROBLEM TOO. THEY
- 11 HAVEN'T MADE ANY CHANGES.
- 12 DR. PIZZO: MAYBE WHAT YOU RECEIVED WAS NOT
- 13 THEIR VERSION. MAYBE YOU JUST GOT THE WRONG ONE
- 14 BECAUSE I HAVE THE ONE FROM YESTERDAY AS WELL.
- 15 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THEIR E-MAIL, IT APPEARS
- 16 THAT WHAT THEY DID IS INSTEAD OF E-MAILING THE
- 17 CORRECTED VERSION --
- DR. PIZZO: I THINK THAT'S RIGHT. THEY JUST
- 19 PROBABLY DIDN'T DO THE ATTACHMENT CORRECTLY.
- DR. PRECIADO: DO WE HAVE SOMEONE FROM
- 21 SPENCER STUART HERE?
- 22 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WE DON'T, I BELIEVE, HAVE
- 23 ANYONE FROM SPENCER STUART HERE, DO WE?
- DR. HENDERSON: COULD WE SEND THIS BACK TO
- 25 SPENCER STUART AND PASS ON THIS ISSUE AT THIS TIME

- 1 SINCE WE HAVE A LOT OF OTHER THINGS WE COULD DEAL WITH?
- 2 TO RECREATE YESTERDAY'S IS ANOTHER HOUR OF WASTED TIME,
- 3 NOT WASTED, REPEATED TIME.
- 4 MS. LANSING: I AGREE WITH YOU.
- 5 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: I AGREE. I WOULD LIKE TO
- 6 SAY I COMPLIMENT THE COMMITTEE FOR YESTERDAY. WE DID
- 7 EXTREMELY FOCUSED AND DILIGENT WORK ON IT. BUT I WOULD
- 8 SAY IT WOULD PROBABLY HELP US IF, JUST IN THIS CRITICAL
- 9 AREA THAT WE FOCUSED MOST OF OUR TIME ON, IF THERE'S
- 10 ANY COMMENT MADE BY ANY MEMBER OF THE BOARD THAT WE
- 11 COULD BRING BACK TO THAT SO WE CAN JUST COMPLETE THAT
- 12 EXPERIENCE.
- DR. BALTIMORE: IN THE INTEREST OF MOVING
- 14 AHEAD, WHAT'S WRITTEN IN THESE KINDS OF DOCUMENTS
- 15 DOESN'T HAVE AN ENORMOUS EFFECT ON THE CANDIDATES THAT
- 16 YOU FIND IN THE END ANYWAY. THEY'RE SORT OF A WISH
- 17 LIST. I WOULD BE PERFECTLY COMFORTABLE, IF IT'S
- 18 APPROPRIATE, MOVING THAT WE ACCEPT THIS WITH THE
- 19 MODIFICATIONS THAT YOUR COMMITTEE HAS MADE,
- 20 UNDERSTANDING THAT THOSE MODIFICATIONS COULD ONLY HAVE
- 21 STRENGTHENED IT.
- 22 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IF I COULD ADD TO THAT WITH
- 23 THE FACT THAT TO CONFIRM THAT THE COMMITTEE -- THAT THE
- 24 CORRECTIONS ARE MADE PROPERLY, THAT WE WILL
- 25 RECONVENE -- WE'RE GOING TO RECONVENE THAT COMMITTEE

- 1 ANYWAY, AND WE WILL CONFIRM IN THAT MEETING THAT ALL
- 2 THE CORRECTIONS WERE MADE PROPERLY. IT WAS -- JUST A
- 3 CONFIRMATION OF THE DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY IS
- 4 ESSENTIALLY WHAT IT IS BECAUSE THE COMMITTEE DID HAVE
- 5 THE DELEGATED AUTHORITY ON THOSE CRITERIA. DR. STEWARD
- 6 AND THEN JOAN.
- 7 DR. STEWARD: I WAS GOING TO SAY EXACTLY THE
- 8 SAME THING. IF THIS ENTIRE GROUP DOESN'T NEED TO, IN
- 9 FACT, APPROVE THE FINAL DOCUMENT, THEN I WOULD SUGGEST
- 10 THAT WE DELEGATE THAT AUTHORITY AS APPROPRIATE TO THE
- 11 SEARCH COMMITTEE AND ALLOW THEM TO NEGOTIATE THE FINAL
- 12 LANGUAGE IN THE DOCUMENT WITHOUT PUTTING THIS OFF UNTIL
- 13 THE NEXT FORMAL ICOC MEETING.
- 14 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: ALL RIGHT. AND ANY COMMENTS
- 15 COULD ALSO BE RECEIVED BY THAT SEARCH COMMITTEE FROM
- 16 OTHER BOARD MEMBERS IN WRITING, WHICH WE WOULD READ
- 17 INTO THE RECORD AT THE SEARCH COMMITTEE MEETING.
- 18 MS. SAMUELSON: UNLESS WE HAVE SOME ENORMOUS
- 19 TIME PRESSURE, I WOULD MUCH RATHER DO THIS IN A
- 20 DELIBERATE WAY THAT ALLOWS THE ENTIRE COMMITTEE TO BE
- 21 ABLE TO WEIGH IN ON THE SPECIFICS OF THE JOB
- 22 DESCRIPTION AND THE OTHER DETAILS. THIS IS AN
- 23 ENORMOUSLY IMPORTANT DECISION. AND IT'S NOT ONLY THAT
- 24 THE WRONG DOCUMENT IS HERE, BUT THERE WASN'T ANY TIME
- 25 FOR ANYBODY TO REVIEW IT. WE GOT TENS OF PAGES

- 1 OVERNIGHT, AND I TRIED LATE INTO LAST NIGHT TO ABSORB
- 2 IT ALL, AND I COULDN'T.
- 3 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THE BENEFIT OF THE CURRENT
- 4 TIMETABLE THAT WE ARE ON IS THAT IT ALLOWS THE
- 5 POTENTIAL RECRUITEE TO HAVE AN OFFER PRIOR TO THE
- 6 SUMMER RECESS. SO IF WE HAVE A CANDIDATE WITH
- 7 CHILDREN, AS EXPLAINED BY SPENCER STUART, THAT WE CAN
- 8 MAKE AN OFFER THAT WOULD OPTIMIZE THEIR ABILITY TO
- 9 RELOCATE.
- 10 NOW, GIVEN THAT, AS DR. BALTIMORE SAYS, THAT
- 11 THIS DOCUMENT NEEDS TO COMMUNICATE THE BASIC MESSAGE,
- 12 BUT, IN FACT, WE WILL BRING BACK TO THIS BOARD, AS WE
- 13 DESCRIBED, BOTH AN INTERVIEW REGIME AMONG MULTIPLE
- 14 PAIRS OF INDIVIDUALS AND A PUBLIC INTERVIEW -- EXCUSE
- 15 ME -- AN EXECUTIVE SESSION INTERVIEW WITH THE BOARD.
- 16 BUT, JOAN, TO FOLLOW THROUGH WITH THE SPIRIT
- 17 OF YOUR COMMENT, WHAT WE CAN DO IS GIVING THE SPENCER
- 18 STUART COMFORT TO MOVE AHEAD BECAUSE WE'LL BRING IT
- 19 BACK TO THE PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE SO THAT WE'VE
- 20 CONFIRMED ALL THE CHANGES ARE PROPERLY MADE, WE'LL ALSO
- 21 AT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING BRING BACK THE CORRECTED
- 22 VERSION, AND OPEN IT TO DISCUSSION AT THAT BOARD
- 23 MEETING, IF THERE'S ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS THAT NEED TO
- 24 BE MADE SO THAT THEY WOULD BE ADVISED THAT THERE ARE
- 25 ADDITIONAL COMMENTS THAT COULD BE ADDED, BUT THEY WILL

- 1 HAVE 95 PERCENT OF THE SUBSTANCE TO WORK WITH.
- 2 DR. PRECIADO: ARE WE SUGGESTING THAT THEY
- 3 WOULD GO AHEAD?
- 4 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THEY WOULD GO AHEAD WITH
- 5 THEIR PROCESS BECAUSE THEY'RE WORKING ON THE LONG LIST.
- 6 THEY WON'T IN THIS TIME PERIOD BE WORKING ON THEIR
- 7 SHORT LIST, SO THEY'LL BE WORKING ONLY ON THEIR LONG
- 8 LIST DURING THIS TIME PERIOD.
- 9 DR. PRECIADO: I MYSELF DON'T FEEL
- 10 COMFORTABLE WITH THAT. I THINK, FIRST OF ALL, WE DID
- 11 WORK ON THIS YESTERDAY, AND WE WERE TOLD WE WOULD HAVE
- 12 THAT, THE CHANGES, AND WE DON'T HAVE THE CHANGES, AND
- 13 WE DON'T HAVE SPENCER STUART HERE. AND I JUST FEEL
- 14 UNCOMFORTABLE WITH THAT. I WOULD RATHER US REALLY LOOK
- 15 AT THE DOCUMENT AGAIN AS A SUBCOMMITTEE WITH SPENCER
- 16 STUART OR HAVE THE CHANGES BEFORE US SO THAT WE CAN
- 17 ACTUALLY READ THEM AND THEN BRING THEM TO THE BOARD.
- 18 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THE PROPOSAL IS, IN FACT, TO
- 19 BRING THEM BACK TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE.
- DR. PRECIADO: OKAY.
- 21 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: AND MAKE SURE THE CHANGES
- 22 ARE CORRECT. THAT IS THE PROPOSAL.
- DR. PRECIADO: OKAY. EXCUSE ME.
- 24 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: AND THEN -- BUT THE PROPOSAL
- 25 IS THAT WE BRING THEM BACK TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE, MAKE

- 1 SURE THE CHANGES ARE CORRECT, AND THEN INDICATE TO
- 2 SPENCER STUART THAT THEY CAN BEGIN WORKING ON THIS, BUT
- 3 WE'RE BRINGING IT BACK TO THE BOARD AT THE NEXT BOARD
- 4 MEETING FOR CONFIRMATION THAT THE BALANCE OF THE BOARD
- 5 AGREES WITH THOSE CHANGES.
- 6 DR. PRECIADO: BUT THE BOARD -- SPENCER
- 7 STUART WILL START WORKING WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE
- 8 BOARD THOUGH?
- 9 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: NO.
- DR. PRECIADO: I'M SORRY.
- 11 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THEY ONLY WORK WITH THE
- 12 APPROVAL OF THE BOARD. THE ISSUE IS DO THEY HAVE
- 13 ENOUGH INFORMATION HERE TO WORK ON THE LONG LIST, WHICH
- 14 MIGHT BE A HUNDRED CANDIDATES, OR DO THEY NEED TO WAIT
- 15 FOR THE LONG LIST. AND IT IS THE PLEASURE OF THE
- 16 BOARD, WHATEVER YOU WOULD LIKE US TO DO.
- 17 DR. BRYANT: I WAS JUST WONDERING. EARLIER
- 18 YOU SAID THAT YOU WOULD TAKE INPUT FROM THE REST OF THE
- 19 BOARD THAT WANTED TO GET IT INTO THIS DRAFT. ARE WE
- 20 STILL SAYING THAT, OR DO YOU WANT TO WAIT UNTIL THE
- 21 NEXT ICOC MEETING?
- 22 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: I WAS SUGGESTING THAT IN THE
- 23 NEXT TWO WEEKS THE REST OF THE BOARD COULD CHOOSE TO
- 24 MAKE WRITTEN COMMENTS, WHICH WE WOULD READ IN PUBLIC
- 25 INTO THE PUBLIC RECORD.

- 1 MS. WILSON: SO WITHIN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS, WE
- 2 WILL HAVE RECEIVED ALL THESE CHANGES THAT YOU MADE
- 3 YESTERDAY?
- 4 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: YOU WILL RECEIVE THE CHANGES
- 5 THAT HAVE BEEN MADE FROM OUR RECORDS BECAUSE WE DO HAVE
- 6 A RECORD OF THEM, SO WE CAN MAKE SURE THEY ARE MADE.
- 7 AND THEN WE CAN SEND THOSE OUT POSTED ON THE WEB, SO
- 8 THE PUBLIC HAS IT, AND THEN RECEIVE WRITTEN COMMENTS
- 9 THAT ARE SENT DIRECTLY TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE, WHICH WOULD
- 10 THEN BE READ INTO THE RECORD AT THE PUBLIC MEETING, SO
- 11 THE PUBLIC BENEFIT FROM ALL THOSE CHANGES.
- 12 MS. LANSING: I'M ALSO VERY CONFUSED. ISN'T
- 13 THERE A SIMPLER WAY TO DO THIS? I'M JUST TRYING TO
- 14 FIGURE THIS OUT AS I TALK. THEY OBVIOUSLY MADE A
- 15 MISTAKE IS WHAT WE BELIEVE. LET'S HOPE THAT'S WHAT IT
- 16 IS AND THEY DIDN'T MISUNDERSTAND THEIR MISSION. SO I'M
- 17 JUST GOING TO ASSUME THEY MADE A MISTAKE AND SENT THE
- 18 WRONG DOCUMENT, WHICH MEANS THAT WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO
- 19 GET THAT DOCUMENT BY TOMORROW MORNING BECAUSE IT SHOULD
- 20 BE DONE. SO CAN'T WE ALL GET THAT DOCUMENT TOMORROW
- 21 MORNING? IS THERE ANYTHING WRONG WITH THAT?
- 22 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WE CAN. I WOULD LIKE TO
- 23 TAKE THE STAFF NOTES AND RECONCILE IT AGAINST EVERY
- 24 SINGLE CHANGE NOW THAT I KNOW THAT THEY HAVE CREATED A
- 25 DRAFT THAT THEY FORWARDED TO US AS THE CORRECTED DRAFT

- 1 THAT WAS NOT THE FORWARDED DRAFT. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE
- 2 AN ADDITIONAL PRECAUTION TO RECONCILE AGAINST EVERY
- 3 CHANGE.
- 4 MS. LANSING: SO IN THREE DAYS WE CAN GET,
- 5 LIKE BY MONDAY WE'LL GET THE NEXT -- THE THING. IS
- 6 THERE A WAY THAT WE CAN HAVE A TELECONFERENCE THAT'S
- 7 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND GET IT DONE THAT WAY OR NO?
- 8 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THE PROBLEM IS GETTING
- 9 EVERYONE, IT WOULD BE A 29-MEMBER TELECONFERENCE AND
- 10 DIFFICULT ON DATES. THE SUBCOMMITTEE WILL HAVE A
- 11 TELECONFERENCE MEETING.
- DR. PIZZO.
- DR. PIZZO: MY COMMENT IS PROCEDURAL ALONG
- 14 THE SAME LINE OF THE TELECONFERENCE, AND THIS WAS A
- 15 TOPIC THAT WAS BROUGHT UP ONCE BEFORE. I THINK JOAN
- 16 RAISED IT INITIALLY. AND THAT IS, WILL WE, AS WE GO
- 17 FORWARD, FOR THESE SUBCOMMITTEES HAVE SOME GREATER
- 18 FLEXIBILITY IN SITE BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, I COULD JUST SAY
- 19 PERSONALLY YESTERDAY I VERY MUCH WANTED TO BE ON THE
- 20 CALL, BUT IT WAS JUST IMPOSSIBLE BECAUSE OF OTHER
- 21 CONVERGING RESPONSIBILITIES. AND IT BECOMES A
- 22 FIVE-HOUR SCHEDULE DEAL TO GO UP TO SAN FRANCISCO AND
- 23 BACK AND PARTICIPATE IN THE CALL.
- 24 SO IF WE COULD MOVE IN SOME CAPACITY TO HAVE
- 25 GREATER FLEXIBILITY TO JOIN THESE CALLS WITH THE

- 1 PROVISIONS OF BAGLEY-KEENE, THAT WOULD MAKE, I THINK,
- THE PROCESS GO SO MUCH BETTER FOR ALL OF US.
- 3 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: I THINK THAT THAT'S AN
- 4 EXCELLENT POINT TO BRING UP. AND IN THAT REGARD, TO
- 5 THE EXTENT THAT THE INSTITUTIONS THAT ARE PRESENT HERE
- 6 IN HOSTING THESE CAN VOLUNTEER A STAFF MEMBER AT THE
- 7 INSTITUTION SO THAT WE CAN THEN HAVE ADDITIONAL SITES
- 8 BECAUSE WE ARE SO CONSTRAINED WITH STAFFING.
- 9 DR. PIZZO: WE'D BE HAPPY TO DO THAT.
- DR. BRYANT: SO WOULD WE.
- 11 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THAT WOULD ALLOW US TO
- 12 EXPAND THE NUMBER OF SITES FOR PUBLIC ACCESS, WHICH
- 13 WOULD BE A BENEFIT TO THE PUBLIC, AND IT WOULD ALLOW US
- 14 TO MINIMIZE THE TRAVEL TIME FOR MEMBERS THAT ARE
- 15 PARTICIPATING IN THE CALL. PLEASE REMEMBER THE ROOM
- 16 HAS TO ACCOMMODATE 50 PEOPLE, BUT WE NOW HAVE ENOUGH OF
- 17 A HIGHLY ARTICULATED SCHEDULE OF REQUIREMENTS FROM THE
- 18 ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, THAT WE CAN GIVE THEM TO
- 19 EVERYONE. BUT THERE NEEDS TO BE A STAFF MEMBER THAT
- 20 WILL CONFIRM THAT THE PUBLIC HAS ACCESS AND THAT THE
- 21 PUBLIC -- ALL THE PUBLIC'S RIGHTS TO COMMENT IN PUBLIC
- 22 ARE, IN FACT, FOLLOWED.
- 23 DR. PIZZO: I THINK WE'LL CERTAINLY BE
- 24 RESPONSIVE TO THAT AND FOLLOW THE LETTER OF THE LAW.
- 25 WHAT WILL BE ALSO IMPORTANT, BECAUSE THIS IS WHAT

- 1 HAPPENED YESTERDAY, UNDERSTANDABLY, IS THAT IT HAS TO
- 2 BE GIVEN IN PUBLIC NOTICE AT THE SAME TIME THAT THE
- 3 MEETING IS BEING SET UP, SO WE JUST HAVE TO BE ABLE TO
- 4 NOW, AS WE'RE GOING FORWARD, ANTICIPATE AND, IN
- 5 ESSENCE, TAKE A ROLL CALL OF THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO
- 6 DETERMINE WHO NEEDS TO BE OR WHO WANTS TO SET UP A
- 7 SEPARATE SITE SO THAT THERE'S TIME TO GET THE SITE SET
- 8 UP AND TO MAKE IT A PUBLIC NOTICE SO WE CAN ACTUALLY DO
- 9 IT. OTHERWISE WE'RE GOING TO BE IN THE SQUANDERED
- 10 POSITION.
- 11 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: LET ME ASK JUST BY A SHOW OF
- 12 HANDS WHICH MEMBERS ARE PREPARED TO HAVE THEIR SITE BE
- 13 A PUBLIC SITE? COULD STAFF WRITE THESE DOWN, PLEASE.
- 14 AMY DUROSS.
- MS. DUROSS: WHAT?
- 16 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WRITE DOWN ALL THESE
- 17 MEMBERS' NAMES. WE'LL PUT IT INTO THE RECORD.
- DR. WRIGHT, DR. BIRGENEAU, DR. FRIEDMAN, DR. BALTIMORE,
- DR. POMEROY, JOAN SAMUELSON, DR. HOLMES, DR. LOVE, DR.
- HENDERSON, DR. PIZZO, DR. MURPHY, DR. BRYANT, DR.
- 21 PRECIADO, DR. REED, FOR DR. LEVEY, YES. OKAY.
- 22 AND I WOULD ALSO SAY WHAT WE NEED TO DO IS,
- 23 WE WILL, IF ALL OF YOU WOULD DESIGNATE YOUR
- 24 REPRESENTATIVES IN THE NEXT THREE DAYS AND GET THE
- 25 NAMES TO US, WE'LL CREATE A CALL WHERE THE ATTORNEY

- 1 GENERAL'S OFFICE GOES OVER THE PROCEDURES WITH THE
- 2 PERSON WHO WILL, IN FACT, CONDUCT THOSE MEETINGS SO
- 3 THAT WE HAVE CONSISTENCY BECAUSE THAT'S BEEN VERY
- 4 IMPORTANT TO GET OFF TO THE PROPER START WITH
- 5 CONSISTENCY OF HOW THOSE MEETINGS WERE CONDUCTED.
- DR. BALTIMORE: COULD SOMEBODY SEND US,
- 7 THOUGH, THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE INDIVIDUAL, WHAT THEY
- 8 HAVE TO DO?
- 9 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: YES.
- DR. BALTIMORE: SO IN CHOOSING A PERSON, WE
- 11 CHOOSE THE RIGHT PERSON.
- 12 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: JAMES HARRISON.
- MR. HARRISON: I'D LIKE TO MAKE JUST ONE
- 14 CLARIFICATION. ORIGINALLY FOR THE FIRST SERIES OF
- 15 TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS, WE WANTED TO HAVE THEM IN
- 16 SITES THAT COULD ACCOMMODATE UP TO 50 PEOPLE BECAUSE OF
- 17 THE LEVEL OF PUBLIC INTEREST. THAT'S NOT A REQUIREMENT
- 18 SPECIFIED IN THE CODE. AS LONG AS THE FACILITY IS ADA
- 19 COMPLIANT AND CAN ACCOMMODATE THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
- 20 WHO WISH TO ATTEND FROM THAT SITE, THAT'S SUFFICIENT.
- 21 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THAT'S
- 22 A PENDING REQUEST WE'VE HAD ABOUT -- FOR A WHILE.
- 23 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR RECOGNIZING THAT. BASICALLY,
- JUST FOR THE PUBLIC'S BENEFIT, IN MONITORING HOW MANY
- 25 PUBLIC MEMBERS HAVE SHOWN UP, IT'S QUITE CLEAR THAT

- 1 THEY CANNOT NECESSARILY HAVE 50 MEMBERS AND STILL QUITE
- 2 PROPERLY ACCOMMODATE THE PUBLIC. AND WITH MORE SITES
- 3 AVAILABLE, IT SHOULD, IN FACT, EVEN BE EASIER TO
- 4 ACCOMMODATE THE PUBLIC. WE NEED A GUIDELINE THAT'S AN
- 5 OBJECTIVE FIGURE THAT SHOULD BE IN THE WRITTEN TEXT.
- 6 AND JAMES HARRISON, COULD YOU OVERSEE THIS WRITTEN
- 7 TEXT?
- 8 MR. HARRISON: YES. WE'LL PREPARE SOME
- 9 GUIDANCE FOR YOUR STAFF MEMBERS WHO ARE VOLUNTEERING TO
- 10 ASSIST.
- 11 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: COUNSEL WILL DO THAT IN
- 12 CONJUNCTION WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE WHO WILL
- 13 SIGN OFF ON THAT TEXT.
- 14 DR. HOLMES: IT SEEMS WE WERE DISCUSSING TWO
- 15 ISSUES. ONE WAS THE JOB DESCRIPTION, WHICH SEEMS LIKE
- 16 A PROCESS IS UNDERWAY. THE SECOND WAS WHAT COULD WE
- 17 ASK SPENCER STUART TO DO IN THE MEANTIME. I WANTED TO
- 18 RETURN TO THE LATTER POINT, THAT I PERSONALLY FEEL
- 19 COMFORTABLE WITH HAVING SPENCER STUART CONTINUE TO WORK
- 20 TO TRY TO BUILD THE LONG LIST, AS YOU CALL IT, SO THAT
- 21 WE DON'T LOSE TIME. I THINK THERE'S ENOUGH INFORMATION
- 22 HERE TO INFORM THEM IN A GENERAL WAY TO TRY TO GO AHEAD
- 23 AND BUILD THAT LIST. SO I WOULD HOPE THEY COULD
- 24 CONTINUE WORKING UNLESS I MISUNDERSTOOD WE NEEDED TO
- 25 MAKE A COMMENT ABOUT THAT OR MAYBE YOU ALREADY DECIDED.

- 1 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: NO. NO. I THINK WE'RE
- 2 GOING TO TAKE A VOTE HERE. SO WE ARE TRYING TO FIND
- 3 WHAT OUR POINT IS AT WHICH ACTION IS APPROPRIATE.
- 4 DR. REED: A POINT OF CLARIFICATION. AND
- 5 THAT IS, DOES THIS JOB SPECIFICATION REQUIRE BOARD
- 6 APPROVAL?
- 7 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THE BOARD -- ACTUALLY BOARD
- 8 DELEGATED TO THE PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE. WE'RE
- 9 BRINGING THIS BACK OUT OF AN ABUNDANCE OF CARE TO MAKE
- 10 CERTAIN THAT WE HAVE THE PROCESS, WE HAVE THE BOARD
- 11 CONSTANTLY INFORMED ON THIS ISSUE.
- 12 DR. REED: THAT BEING THE CASE, AT THE RISK
- 13 OF BEING REDUNDANT, I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THIS CONCEPT
- 14 OF MOVING FORWARD WITH FORMULATING A LONG LIST, WHILE
- 15 WE HAVE A CHANCE FOR THIS SPECIFICATION TO WORK ITS
- 16 FULL WAY BACK TO THE BOARD OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS,
- WOULD BE PERFECTLY ACCEPTABLE, AT LEAST TO ME.
- 18 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: OKAY. AND AGAIN, TO HONOR
- 19 THE POINT PREVIOUSLY RAISED, FIRST OF ALL, IS SOMEONE
- 20 WILLING TO MAKE THAT INTO A FORMAL MOTION?
- 21 DR. BALTIMORE: I THINK I DID.
- 22 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: DR. BALTIMORE DID ACTUALLY,
- 23 AND I BELIEVE I MODIFIED THE MOTION TO SAY THAT WE
- 24 WOULD BRING IT BACK TO THE BOARD FOR THE NEXT BOARD
- 25 MEETING WHILE INFORMING SPENCER STUART MORE ACCURATELY

- ON THE CHANGES WE HAD EXPECTED THEM TO MAKE IN THE
- 2 INTERIM.
- 3 DR. BALTIMORE: I WOULD ACCEPT THAT.
- 4 DR. WRIGHT: SECOND.
- 5 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IS THERE ADDITIONAL COMMENT
- 6 FROM THE BOARD? ADDITIONAL -- IS THERE COMMENT FROM
- 7 THE PUBLIC?
- 8 MR. HALPERN: CHARLES HALPERN. I WAS THE
- 9 PUBLIC AT YESTERDAY'S MEETING OF THE PRESIDENTIAL
- 10 SEARCH COMMITTEE. I WANTED TO NOTE A COUPLE OF THINGS
- 11 ABOUT THAT.
- 12 FIRST OF ALL, IT WAS NOT AN OFFICIAL MEETING.
- 13 NONE OF THE DISCUSSION COULD BE REDUCED TO RESOLUTION
- 14 BECAUSE THERE WAS NO QUORUM PRESENT. SO IT'S NOT AS IF
- 15 A COMMITTEE MET AND MADE CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS, AND NOW
- 16 THEY'RE BEING PRESENTED HERE. THAT COMMITTEE DID NOT
- 17 MEET YESTERDAY. THERE WAS A DISCUSSION. THERE WERE
- 18 SOME VERY IMPORTANT POINTS MADE AND RECEIVED, BUT THERE
- 19 HAS BEEN NO COMMITTEE ACTION.
- 20 A POINT THAT I THINK IS URGENTLY NEEDED IN
- 21 THE DESCRIPTION IS A STATEMENT THAT THE ICOC IS
- 22 INTERESTED IN A PRESIDENT WHO IS NOT HAMPERED BY
- 23 CONFLICT OF INTEREST. AND THIS STATEMENT IS SILENT ON
- 24 THAT POINT. AND IN FORMING A LONG LIST, I THINK THE
- 25 COMMITTEE -- EXCUSE ME -- SPENCER STUART SHOULD HAVE

- 1 THAT UPPERMOST IN MIND. AND AS PEOPLE ARE DECIDING
- 2 WHETHER THEY WANT A JOB AS PRESIDENT OR NOT, THEY
- 3 SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT RIGOROUS CONFLICT OF INTEREST
- 4 PRINCIPLES WILL APPLY.
- 5 I WOULD HOPE THEY WOULD BE THE NIH
- 6 PRINCIPLES. AGAIN, I FIND IT INCONGRUOUS THAT THIS
- 7 IMPORTANT BEACON EFFORT WOULD BE HEADED BY PEOPLE WHO
- 8 COULD NOT GET A JOB AT THE NIH. I WOULD URGE THAT THE
- 9 CONFLICT OF INTEREST PRINCIPLES BE INCLUDED.
- 10 SECOND, ON THE POINT OF SALARIES, I NOTE THAT
- 11 WHEN SPENCER STUART MADE ITS PRESENTATION IN JANUARY,
- 12 THEY WERE LOOKING AT \$400,000 AS THE FLOOR. THAT WAS
- 13 AS LOW AS THEY WERE GOING TO SEARCH FOR. BUT WE KNOW
- 14 THAT THE INTERIM PRESIDENT OF EXCEPTIONAL QUALIFICATION
- 15 HAS COME FOR LESS THAN 400,000. I WOULD SUGGEST THAT
- 16 WAS AN INAPPROPRIATE FLOOR. TO MY WAY OF THINKING
- 17 \$400,000 SHOULD BE THE CEILING. THE LANGUAGE AT THE
- 18 BOTTOM OF PAGE 5 OF SPENCER STUART'S WRITE-UP IS
- 19 INCREDIBLY VAGUE ON COMPENSATION AND IT SHOULD BE
- 20 CLEARER.
- 21 THE THIRD POINT THAT I WANT TO MAKE IS THIS.
- 22 THAT THIS COMMITTEE HAS AN OBLIGATION TO MAKE THIS JOB
- 23 AS ATTRACTIVE AS POSSIBLE. WE'RE NOT GOING TO ATTRACT
- 24 PEOPLE HERE TO CALIFORNIA BECAUSE THE SALARY IS SO
- 25 HIGH. WE'RE GOING TO ATTRACT PEOPLE HERE BECAUSE THE

- JOB IS SO ATTRACTIVE. AS WRITTEN, THIS JOB
- 2 DESCRIPTION -- I URGE YOU TO READ IT CAREFULLY BECAUSE
- 3 IT DESCRIBES A COO, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER, POSITION.
- 4 DR. PRECIADO YESTERDAY RAISED THE QUESTION,
- 5 WELL, WHO'S REALLY IN CHARGE. I BELIEVE THOSE ARE HER
- 6 VERY WORDS. AND ANYONE WHO'S THINKING OF APPLYING HERE
- 7 WOULD READ THIS AND ASK THAT VERY QUESTION. WHO'S
- 8 REALLY IN CHARGE? WELL, WHEN YOU SEE THAT IT'S THE
- 9 BOARD CHAIR WHO HAS ACCESS TO THE ICOC, WHOSE JOB IS TO
- 10 MANAGE THE ICOC AGENDA AND WORK FLOW, INCLUDING ALL
- 11 EVALUATIONS AND APPROVALS OF SCIENTIFIC AND MEDICAL
- 12 WORKING GROUPS, ETC., THEN YOU'RE PRETTY CLEAR WHO'S IN
- 13 CHARGE. THE LANGUAGE IS QUITE CLEAR.
- 14 I THINK THIS COMMITTEE OUGHT TO TAKE THIS
- 15 OPPORTUNITY TO RETHINK THAT QUESTION AND SEE IF THERE
- 16 ISN'T A WAY TO MAKE THE PRESIDENT'S JOB MORE
- 17 ATTRACTIVE, SO IT ISN'T SO CLEARLY A NO. 2 POSITION.
- 18 THANK YOU.
- 19 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU, MR. HALPERN. AND
- 20 I WILL POINT OUT THAT PART OF THIS MOTION IS TO BRING
- 21 THIS -- THAT WE ARE TAKING THIS TO A COMMITTEE ACTION,
- 22 PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE, WHERE IT WILL BE
- 23 CONFIRMED WITH A QUORUM WITH A RESOLUTION. THE
- 24 COMMITTEE DID MEET YESTERDAY. THERE WASN'T A QUOROM,
- 25 SO WE COULDN'T PASS THE RESOLUTION, BUT THERE WAS A

- 1 VERY HEALTHY DEBATE ON THE SUBJECT AND A DISCUSSION OF
- THE POINTS THAT YOU'VE RAISED.
- 3 SO ARE THERE OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS? SEEING
- 4 NO OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS, ARE THERE MEMBER COMMENTS?
- 5 DR. PRIETO: JUST ONE. I HAVE NO PARTICULAR
- 6 PROBLEM DELEGATING THIS DECISION, AS WE DID AT OUR LAST
- 7 MEETING, TO THE PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE, BUT I
- 8 THINK WE HAVE TO APPRECIATE THAT, AS A PUBLIC
- 9 ENTERPRISE, WE ARE SOMETIMES GOING TO HAVE TO SACRIFICE
- 10 EFFICIENCY FOR OPENNESS.
- 11 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: GREAT.
- DR. BALTIMORE: MY POINT IS SLIGHTLY OFF THE
- 13 POINT, BUT I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANY BETTER TIME TO
- 14 MAKE IT. I AM SURPRISED THAT SPENCER STUART IS NOT
- 15 REPRESENTED AT THIS MEETING, AND IT WOULD SEEM TO ME
- 16 THAT THEY SHOULD BE AT EVERY MEETING WHERE THAT'S ANY
- 17 DISCUSSION OF ANYTHING THAT RELATES TO THEM. THEY
- 18 SHOULD HAVE HEARD THIS DISCUSSION. THEY SHOULD
- 19 UNDERSTAND THE VARIOUS CONCERNS AROUND THE TABLE. AND
- 20 AS I SAY, I JUST SIMPLY DO NOT UNDERSTAND. IF THEY
- 21 WERE RUNNING A SEARCH FOR ME, THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN
- 22 HERE.
- 23 DR. PRECIADO: I JUST -- THANK YOU FOR SAYING
- 24 THAT BECAUSE I THINK -- I JUST WANT TO SAY TO MR.
- 25 HALPERN. I KNOW WE DIDN'T HAVE A QUORUM, BUT WE REALLY

- 1 WORK HARD. SO I DON'T WANT TO DEMEAN THE PROCESS THAT
- 2 WE'RE GOING THROUGH JUST TO GET TO THE POINT WHERE WE
- 3 ARE.
- 4 SECONDLY, SPENCER STUART SHOULD BE HELD
- 5 ACCOUNTABLE, AS WE ARE BEING HELD ACCOUNTABLE, AND I
- 6 EXPECT THEY WILL BE AT EVERY SINGLE MEETING AS WE GO
- 7 THROUGH THIS.
- 8 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IT'S SURPRISING TO ME. THEY
- 9 SPECIFICALLY HAD THREE MEMBERS AT THE LAST MEETING, AND
- 10 THERE WILL BE A VERY SIGNIFICANT DISCUSSION WITH THEM.
- 11 DR. PIZZO: THEY WERE THERE LAST TIME.
- DR. SERRANO-SEWALL: CALL THE QUESTION.
- 13 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THE QUESTION HAS BEEN
- 14 CALLED. DOES THIS REQUIRE A ROLL CALL VOTE? NO. ALL
- 15 IN FAVOR. OPPOSED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND WE WILL
- 16 NOT ONLY, AGAIN, BE HOLDING THIS IN PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH
- 17 COMMITTEE WITH A QUORUM WITH A RESOLUTION BEFORE IT'S
- 18 APPROVED, BUT WE'LL BRING IT BACK TO THE BOARD AS WELL
- 19 AT THE NEXT MEETING. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- 20 WE HAVE A TIMETABLE THAT WE HAVE TO MEET, AND
- 21 COUNSEL HAS REMINDED ME THAT WE HAVE TO ADDRESS AT THIS
- 22 SESSION A PETITION THAT WE RECEIVED FROM MR. HALPERN
- 23 AND DR. LEE. THAT PETITION IS A PART OF THE ITEMS THAT
- 24 YOU HAVE IN YOUR BINDER. COULD I ASK STAFF WHICH TAB
- 25 IS THAT ITEM FOR THE PETITION?

- 1 MR. HARRISON: ELEVEN.
- 2 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: COULD COUNSEL PLEASE EXPLAIN
- 3 TO THE PUBLIC AND THE BOARD THE TIMETABLE IN WHICH WE
- 4 HAVE TO RESPOND TO A PETITION FILED UNDER THIS SECTION
- 5 OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE?
- 6 MR. HARRISON: THE BOARD HAS 30 DAYS TO
- 7 RESPOND FROM THE DATE OF THE FILING THE PETITION EITHER
- 8 TO REJECT THE PETITION OR TO ACCEPT SOME OR ALL OF THE
- 9 RECOMMENDATIONS.
- 10 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: AND THAT 30 DAYS WILL RUN
- 11 BEFORE THE NEXT BOARD MEETING; IS THAT CORRECT?
- MR. HARRISON: THAT'S CORRECT.
- 13 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THE ISSUE BEFORE US IN THIS
- 14 PETITION INVOLVES CONFLICT OF INTEREST STANDARDS,
- 15 COMPENSATION, WORKING GROUPS, GRANT MAKING PROCEDURES,
- 16 ALL VERY IMPORTANT AREAS THAT HOPEFULLY WE'LL HAVE
- 17 THOUGHTFUL CONSIDERATION OF. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE
- 18 THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE PUBLIC MEETINGS TO DISCUSS
- 19 THESE AREAS. THE ISSUE IS HOW CAN WE DECIDE ALL OF
- 20 THEM OVERNIGHT. WE'RE CLEARLY TRYING TO PROCEED AS
- 21 REASONABLY WITH AS MANY CHECKS AND BALANCES AS POSSIBLE
- 22 WITH A VERY LIMITED STAFF, WHICH WE'VE INTENTIONALLY
- 23 KEPT LIMITED SO THAT THE INTERIM PRESIDENT WOULD HAVE
- 24 THE ABILITY TO HIRE THE MOST STAFF POSSIBLE. AND SO
- 25 THE DESIRE HERE IS TO MOVE FORWARD IN A JUDICIOUS WAY

- 1 TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEBATE ALL OF THESE ISSUES
- 2 IN PUBLIC FORUMS, AND THE CONSIDERATION OF THE BOARD IN
- 3 REACHING THESE ITEMS AND THE DECISION ON THESE ITEMS.
- 4 THE IMMEDIATE ISSUE TO REQUEST IS WE HAVE THE
- 5 RIGHT WITHIN THIS 30 DAYS TO DENY THE PETITION,
- 6 INDICATING IN WRITING WHY IT HAS REACHED A DECISION ON
- 7 THE MERITS OF THE PETITION OR TO SCHEDULE THE MATTER
- 8 FOR PUBLIC HEARING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
- 9 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT.
- 10 IT IS BENEFICIAL THAT WE HAVE THIS PETITION
- 11 IN THE SENSE THAT WE ARE PROMPTED TO DEVELOP A PROCESS
- 12 FOR RESPONDING EFFICIENTLY AND EFFECTIVELY TO
- 13 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT REQUESTS, WHICH, NO
- 14 DOUBT, WE'LL HAVE MORE OF.
- 15 THE INTERIM SOLUTION, WHILE WE TRY AND GET
- 16 THE TIME TO ADDRESS THESE MEANINGFUL QUESTIONS IN
- 17 PUBLIC FORUMS, WOULD BE TO DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO THE
- 18 CHAIRPERSON, THE VICE CHAIRPERSON, THE PRESIDENT, THEIR
- 19 DESIGNEES, OR ANY COMBINATION THAT YOU WOULD LIKE.
- 20 WOULDN'T WANT TO PUT THIS ON ZACH HALL'S FIRST DUTIES,
- 21 BUT TO ACT ON BEHALF OF RESPONDING TO THE
- 22 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT REQUEST.
- 23 THE PROCESS TO DATE IS WE RECEIVED THIS
- 24 PETITION ON FEBRUARY 16TH, THE STAFF RESPONDED IN
- 25 WRITING ACKNOWLEDGING AS REQUIRED BY THE CODE, ON

- 1 FEBRUARY THE 17TH WE RECEIVED IT. STAFF AND LEGAL
- 2 COUNSEL REVIEWED THE PETITION, MEMORANDA, AND APPENDIX,
- 3 AND ARE PREPARED TO WORK WITH THE CHAIR, VICE CHAIR,
- 4 AND/OR PRESIDENT TO RESPOND TO THE PETITION ON ITS
- 5 MERITS BY MARCH 18TH, WHICH IS THE 30-DAY MARK. I
- 6 WOULD ACTUALLY SAY THAT WE SHOULD BACK THAT UP AND MAKE
- 7 SURE WE RESPOND SEVERAL DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THAT DATE TO
- 8 GIVE OURSELVES A MARGIN.
- 9 ALTERNATIVELY, WE COULD TRY AND TAKE THE DAY
- 10 TODAY TO DISCUSS EACH ONE OF THESE AND TO DEVELOP
- 11 POLICIES. THAT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT TO ACHIEVE IN A
- 12 MEANINGFUL WAY. CERTAINLY WE WANT MORE MEMBERS OF THE
- 13 PUBLIC TO KNOW WE WERE GOING TO DISCUSS EACH ITEM.
- 14 WE'D WANT THE PUBLIC TO BE ABLE TO ADDRESS IT ON BOTH
- 15 SIDES OF EACH ISSUE, AND THE PUBLIC HAS HAD NO
- 16 EFFECTIVE NOTICE THAT WE WOULD HAVE A PUBLIC DEBATE ON
- 17 EACH OF THESE ITEMS TODAY. SO IF WE'RE GOING TO
- 18 INVOLVE THE PUBLIC MEANINGFULLY IN THIS PROCESS, IT
- 19 SEEMED TO BE MORE APPROPRIATE TO ALLOW THE STAFF TO
- 20 RESPOND TO THIS ON AN INTERIM BASIS AND MEANINGFULLY
- 21 SET UP, AS WE HAVE ALWAYS INTENDED TO DO, AGENDIZED
- 22 ITEMS WITH PUBLIC SPEAKERS, LIKE ALTA CHARO THIS
- 23 MORNING, EXPERT SPEAKERS THAT CAN HELP US ADDRESS IT
- 24 AND HELP US RESPOND IN THE MOST RESPONSIBLE FASHION.
- WHAT IS THE PLEASURE OF THE BOARD?

- 1 MS. SAMUELSON: I HAVE AN INFORMATIONAL
- 2 QUESTION TO COUNSEL. IS IT THE CASE IN THIS SORT OF
- 3 PETITION, AS IT OFTEN IS IN LITIGATION, THAT EXTENSIONS
- 4 FOR SOME PERIOD OF TIME TO EXTEND THE TIME TO ANSWER
- 5 ARE GRANTED AS A MATTER OF COURTESY AMONG COLLEAGUES?
- 6 IT SEEMS TO ME --
- 7 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: CAN JAMES HARRISON ADDRESS
- 8 THIS, PLEASE?
- 9 MR. HARRISON: I'M SORRY. I WAS INTERRUPTED
- 10 FOR A MOMENT. IS THE QUESTION WHETHER THERE IS THE
- 11 POSSIBILITY OF AN EXTENSION OF TIME? UNFORTUNATELY,
- 12 THE CODE PROVIDES ONLY 30 DAYS FOR A RESPONSE.
- DR. THAL: PROCEDURAL QUESTION. DO ALL OF
- 14 THESE NEED TO BE CONSIDERED AT ONCE? IS THIS A
- 15 SINGLE -- THERE ARE FIVE SEPARATE ITEMS. ARE THESE
- 16 ALL -- OR SEVEN SPEARATE ITEMS. DO WE DEAL WITH ALL OF
- 17 THESE AT ONE TIME? BECAUSE IN A SENSE WE'VE ALREADY
- 18 DEALT WITH ONE OF THEM, AND THAT RELATES TO THE SALARY
- 19 ISSUE.
- 20 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: YOU CANNOT RESPOND
- 21 EFFECTIVELY TO THE PETITION UNLESS YOU RESPOND TO ALL
- 22 THE POINTS. SO WE HAVE TO GIVE THEM A RESPONSE IN
- 23 WRITING THAT ADDRESSES THE ENTIRE PETITION.
- MR. HALPERN: MR. CHAIRMAN, CHARLES HALPERN,
- 25 THE CO-PETITIONER WITH DR. PHILIP LEE.

- 1 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: EXCUSE ME, MR. HALPERN.
- 2 YOU'RE OUT OF ORDER.
- 3 MR. HALPERN: MAY I MAKE A POINT OF ORDER
- 4 BASED ON MY CONVERSATION WITH MR. HARRISON?
- 5 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: POINT OF ORDER IS ACCEPTED.
- 6 MR. HALPERN: THANK YOU. THE POINT OF ORDER
- 7 IS THIS, THAT THE PETITIONERS CAN WAIVE THE 30-DAY
- 8 LIMITATION. THANK YOU.
- 9 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO
- 10 WAIVE THIS 30-DAY REQUIREMENT?
- 11 MR. HALPERN: MAY I HAVE FIVE MINUTES TO
- 12 SPEAK TO THE PETITION AND THAT OUESTION?
- 13 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: I THINK THAT -- LET THE
- 14 BOARD FINISH ITS DISCUSSION. AND THEN, MR. HALPERN, WE
- 15 GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR WILLINGNESS TO DISCUSS THAT
- 16 ITEM. IF THE BOARD COULD PLEASE FINISH THEIR
- 17 DISCUSSION FIRST.
- 18 MR. HALPERN: THAT WOULD BE FINE. AT YOUR
- 19 PLEASURE.
- 20 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: DAVID SERRANO-SEWALL HAS A
- 21 OUESTION OF COUNSEL.
- MR. SERRANO-SEWALL: I HAVE A COUPLE OF
- 23 QUESTIONS FOR COUNSEL. AND THAT IS, WHAT DOES THIS
- 24 PETITION ENABLE THE PETITIONER TO DO? WHAT IS IT THAT
- 25 THEY SEEK? CAN YOU GIVE US JUST A THUMBNAIL SKETCH OF

- 1 THE GOVERNMENT CODE AND WHAT RIGHTS IT GRANTS TO THE
- 2 PETITIONER?
- 3 MR. HARRISON: THE PETITIONER SUBMITTED THIS
- 4 PETITION PURSUANT TO A PROVISION IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE
- 5 PROCEDURE ACT WHICH PERMITS A CITIZEN TO REQUEST A
- 6 STATE AGENCY TO ADOPT REGULATIONS. THE CODE REQUIRES
- 7 THAT THE AGENCY RESPOND IN WRITING ON THE MERITS OF
- 8 EACH OF THE PROPOSED REGULATIONS WITHIN 30 DAYS.
- 9 MR. SERRANO-SEWELL: THANK YOU.
- 10 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: I WOULD ALSO BRING TO THE
- 11 BOARD'S ATTENTION WE WANT TO GET TO AT LEAST ADOPTING A
- 12 CONFLICT CODE FOR THE EMPLOYEES. WE JUST HIRED A
- 13 PRESIDENT. WE WANT TO GET A CONFLICTS CODE FOR
- 14 EMPLOYEES IN PLACE. WE HAVE OTHER ITEMS ON THIS
- 15 AGENDA. YES, DR. HENDERSON.
- DR. HENDERSON: JUST TO PUT A MOTION ON THE
- 17 TABLE, THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED TO THE CHAIR OR THE
- 18 VICE CHAIR AND THE PRESIDENT TO FORMULATE A RESPONSE,
- 19 AND THAT WE DELEGATE THIS AUTHORITY TO YOU IN THE
- 20 INTEREST OF BOTH BEING COMPLETE AND RESPONSIVE.
- DR. REED: SECOND.
- 22 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: ANY DISCUSSION OF THE
- 23 MOTION? DR. PRIETO.
- 24 DR. PRIETO: I HAVE SOME CONCERNS ABOUT THAT
- 25 BECAUSE I THINK THERE ARE SOME SUBSTANTIVE POINTS HERE

- 1 THAT WE, AT LEAST, NEED TO GIVE THE SENSE OF THE
- 2 COMMITTEE ON. AND SOME OF THESE POINTS, I FEEL, ARE
- 3 RELATIVELY NONCONTROVERSIAL, OR I WOULD HAVE LITTLE
- 4 PROBLEM WITH ITEMS 5 AND 6, FOR EXAMPLE. I THINK SOME
- 5 OF THE OTHERS DISCUSSES THE NIH GUIDELINES. I THINK
- 6 WE'VE EXPRESSED OUR SENSE BEFORE THAT WE FEEL THAT THE
- 7 NIH GUIDELINES AND STANDARDS ARE A MINIMUM THAT WE HOPE
- 8 TO HOLD TO. AND I THINK IT BEHOOVES US TO GIVE AT
- 9 LEAST A LITTLE BIT OF GUIDANCE AND NOT JUST HAND THIS
- 10 OVER TO YOU.
- 11 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: FOR EXAMPLE, DR. PRIETO, ON
- 12 ITEMS 5 AND 6, THERE CAN BE SUBSTANTIAL DIFFERENCES IN
- 13 THE BOARD. AND TO PROPERLY HAVE THE BOARD HAVE INPUT
- 14 ON THIS, ARE WE PREPARED AT THIS TIME TO HAVE A GENERAL
- 15 DISCUSSION OF IT? WE ARE DEFINITELY GOING TO HAVE A
- VERY MAJOR DISCUSSION, WHICH THE PUBLIC SHOULD BE
- 17 INVITED TO AND GIVEN NOTICE OF, BECAUSE THE PUBLIC HAS
- 18 SOME VERY IMPORTANT THINGS TO SAY ON BOTH SIDES. AND
- 19 THERE ARE VERY LEGITIMATE CONCERNS AND VERY LEGITIMATE
- 20 POTENTIAL ISSUES HERE.
- 21 DR. PIZZO: JUST WITH REGARD TO ONE OF THE
- 22 ISSUES YOU RAISE, WHICH IS CONFLICT OF INTEREST, I
- 23 THINK THIS IS A VERY BOTH IMPORTANT, BUT COMPLICATED
- 24 TOPIC IN MANY DIFFERENT WAYS. AND I MUST TELL YOU THAT
- 25 RIGHT NOW TODAY I'M NOT PRECISELY SURE WHAT THE NIH

- 1 GUIDELINES ARE. I KNOW WHAT HAS BEEN IMPOSED BY THE
- NIH DIRECTOR CURRENTLY IN TERMS OF A ONE-YEAR BAN OF
- 3 VARIOUS ACTIVITIES, BUT THAT DOESN'T DEFINE WHAT THE
- 4 GUIDELINES ARE. SO I THINK WE NEED TO HAVE SOME VERY
- 5 THOUGHTFUL DISCUSSION ABOUT THIS.
- 6 AND I THINK IT SHOULD BE -- THIS PARTICULAR
- 7 TOPIC SHOULD BE ONE THAT HAS PUBLIC HEARING AND
- 8 PARTICIPATION AROUND BECAUSE I DARE SAY THAT THE
- 9 CONSEQUENCES OF THE NIH ISSUE HAS HAD IMPLICATIONS FOR
- 10 ALL OF US IN VERY MANY DIFFERENT WAYS, AND THIS IS
- 11 SOMETHING THAT A LOT OF LIGHT SHOULD BE SHOWN ON AS WE
- 12 HAVE THE DISCUSSION.
- 13 DR. PRIETO: I WOULD AGREE ABSOLUTELY. AND
- 14 IF PETITIONER IS WAIVING HIS RIGHT TO A RESPONSE WITHIN
- 15 30 DAYS, I JUST WANT TO BE SURE THAT WE DON'T CLOSE THE
- 16 DOOR AND MAKE A DEFINITIVE RESPONSE TO THESE WITHOUT
- 17 HAVING FULLY DISCUSSED IT.
- 18 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: ALL RIGHT. DR. FRIEDMAN.
- 19 DR. FRIEDMAN: I WOULD AGREE WITH THAT AND
- 20 SAY THAT THESE ARE SUCH IMPORTANT ITEMS, THAT IT MIGHT
- 21 BE APPROPRIATE NOW, BECAUSE I'M SURE MY SENSE FROM MR.
- 22 HALPERN IS THAT HE WANTS SERIOUS AND THOUGHTFUL
- 23 ANSWERS, NOT QUICK AND TIMELY ANSWERS, BUT THOUGHTFUL
- 24 AND EXCELLENT ANSWERS. I WONDER IF I MIGHT ASK, MR.
- 25 CHAIRMAN, THAT WE SUSPEND OUR COMMENTS WITH THE

- 1 OPPORTUNITY TO COME BACK AND MAKE MORE TIME TO HEAR
- FROM MR. HALPERN SINCE THERE IS THE CHANCE AT LEAST HE
- 3 WILL DELAY OUR NEED TO RESPOND QUICKLY, AND THAT WOULD
- 4 GIVE US THEN AN EXTRA AMOUNT OF TIME FOR CONSIDERATION
- 5 FOR PUBLIC AND OUR BOARD CONSIDERATION.
- 6 DR. REED: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I WOULD
- 7 LIKE LEGAL GUIDANCE ON WHAT CONSTITUTES AN ADEQUATE
- 8 RESPONSE TO A PETITION OF THIS SORT. WOULD IT BE
- 9 SUFFICIENT, FOR EXAMPLE, FOR US TO MERELY REPLY THAT
- 10 THESE ARE ISSUES THAT WE'RE STILL WORKING ON AND THAT
- 11 WHEN FULL PUBLIC COMMENTARY AND INPUT HAS BEEN
- 12 PROVIDED, ALONG WITH BOARD DISCUSSION, THAT WE WILL
- 13 HAVE ANSWERS? WOULD THAT BE AN ADEQUATE RESPONSE TO
- 14 PROVIDE WITHIN A 30-DAY TIME LIMIT?
- 15 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: COUNSEL?
- MR. HARRISON: WELL, LIKE WITH LOTS OF THINGS
- 17 IN THE LAW, IT'S NOT EXACTLY CLEAR. THE CODE REQUIRES
- 18 A RESPONSE ON THE MERITS. ONE CAN CERTAINLY TAKE THE
- 19 POSITION THAT A RESPONSE THAT INDICATES THAT THESE ARE
- 20 SERIOUS ISSUES THAT REQUIRE CONSIDERATION, AND THAT THE
- 21 BOARD INTENDS TO CONSIDER, IS A RESPONSE ON THE MERITS.
- 22 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE
- 23 PUBLIC, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF WE SUBSTANTIVELY LAID
- 24 OUT SOME OF THE THINGS WE'RE DOING UNDER EACH OF THESE
- 25 CATEGORIES TO PREPARE FOR THAT RESPONSE. BUT AT THIS

- 1 MOMENT, I THINK DR. FRIEDMAN'S SUGGESTION IS VERY
- 2 TIMELY AT THIS POINT.
- 3 MR. HALPERN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE.
- 4 AND COULD YOU NOW ADDRESS THE SUBJECT ABOUT THE
- 5 POTENTIALLY WAIVING?
- 6 MR. HALPERN: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, AND
- 7 THANK YOU, DR. FRIEDMAN, FOR YOUR SUGGESTION BECAUSE I
- 8 DO HOPE THAT I CAN MAKE A SUGGESTION THAT WILL SERVE
- 9 THE NEEDS OF THE ICOC AND ALSO MOVE THIS PROCESS
- 10 FORWARD WITH THE FULLEST PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.
- 11 I WANT TO NOTE, FIRST OF ALL, THAT DR. LEE
- 12 AND I HAVE FILED THIS PETITION SOME TWO WEEKS AGO AND
- 13 THAT SINCE THEN SEVEN OTHER ORGANIZATIONS HAVE JOINED
- 14 IN IT IN WHOLE OR IN PART, INCLUDING SOME VERY
- 15 WELL-ESTABLISHED ORGANIZATIONS IN THE STATE THAT HAVE A
- 16 LONG AND HONORABLE RECORD FOR PARTICIPATING IN
- 17 GOVERNMENTAL PROCEEDINGS OF THIS FASHION.
- 18 AND I ALSO WANT TO NOTE THAT THE
- 19 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT, AND PARTICULARLY THIS
- 20 PETITION PROVISION, WHICH WE'RE RESPONDING TO, IS THE
- 21 WAY THE STATE LEGISLATURE HAS ARRANGED FOR CONVERSATION
- 22 TO TAKE PLACE BETWEEN CITIZEN ORGANIZATIONS AND CITIZEN
- 23 GROUPS AND STATE AGENCIES. SO WE'RE TALKING ABOUT
- 24 SOMETHING THAT IS REALLY CORE TO THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS
- 25 IN THIS STATE.

- 1 AND I THINK THE IDEA OF CUTTING OFF THE RIGHT
- 2 TO PETITION, WHICH IS THE PROPOSAL THAT WAS CIRCULATED
- 3 WITH THE AGENDA, IS A VERY POOR IDEA IN THAT RESPECT.
- 4 I HAVE AN IDEA THAT I THINK WILL MEET OUR NEEDS IN THE
- 5 PUBLIC AND THE NEEDS OF THE ICOC.
- 6 AND THAT IS THIS, THAT THE ICOC TODAY APPOINT
- 7 A SUBCOMMITTEE TO MEET WITH DR. LEE AND ME AND THE
- 8 OTHERS WHO HAVE SUPPORTED OUR PETITION AND ALSO TO PUT
- 9 OUT A PUBLIC NOTICE SO THAT OTHER PEOPLE WHO WANT TO
- 10 SPEAK TO ANY OF THE SEVEN POINTS RAISED IN OUR PETITION
- 11 ALSO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE.
- 12 THAT SUBCOMMITTEE WOULD MEET ON THESE
- 13 PROPOSED REGULATIONS AND WOULD REPORT BACK AT THE APRIL
- 14 MEETING, HOPEFULLY, WITH SOME RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION.
- 15 IF SOME COULD BE RESOLVED AT THAT POINT, FINE. IF
- 16 OTHERS HAD TO GO OVER, THEY COULD GO OVER TO THE MAY
- 17 MEETING. ALL OF THESE ARE CENTRAL TO THE WAY THIS
- 18 ORGANIZATION DOES BUSINESS. NONE OF THEM ARE
- 19 PERIPHERAL OR MARGINAL.
- 20 SO MY SUGGESTION IS THAT THAT KIND OF OPEN
- 21 PROCESS WITH A SUBSET OF THIS GROUP OF 29 BEGIN
- 22 PROMPTLY AND HOPEFULLY PERMIT AN APRIL FINAL RESOLUTION
- 23 BY THE ENTIRE ICOC AT THE APRIL MEETING. IF THAT KIND
- OF PROCEDURE WERE ACCEPTED BY THE ICOC, THEN WE WOULD
- 25 WAIVE OUR RIGHT TO A 30-DAY SUBSTANTIVE RESPONSE TO OUR

- 1 PETITION.
- 2 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: I THINK DAVID SERRANO-SEWALL
- 3 HAS AN OUTSTANDING REQUEST. IF I COULD RECOGNIZE THAT.
- 4 ALSO POINT OUT TO THE MEMBERS THAT IF WE APPOINT A
- 5 SUBCOMMITTEE OF THIS BOARD, WE NOW HAVE ANOTHER PUBLIC
- 6 BODY. AND ONE OF THE COMMITMENTS WE MADE TO THE PUBLIC
- 7 IS THAT THE PUBLIC GETS TO BE HEARD BEFORE THE FULL
- 8 BOARD. SO WE'RE TAKING THIS -- THESE VERY IMPORTANT
- 9 ISSUES OFF LINE FROM FULL PUBLIC DEBATE TO MEETINGS
- 10 WITH A SELECT GROUP OF PEOPLE, HOWEVER WELL
- 11 INTENTIONED, IN THE STATE RATHER THAN LETTING THE
- 12 PUBLIC MAKE THEIR CASE BEFORE THE FULL BOARD. THAT'S
- 13 AN ISSUE TRYING TO RETAIN OUR INTEGRITY OF OUR RESPONSE
- 14 TO THE FULL PUBLIC.
- 15 THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT WE COULD NOT HAVE THE
- 16 PRESIDENT, THE VICE CHAIR, OR THE CHAIR AT YOUR
- 17 DISCRETION MEET WITH MR. HALPERN, MR. LEE, AND OTHERS
- 18 TO GET THEIR INPUT TO THE PROCESS THAT COULD HELP US
- 19 ADVANCE THE PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ADVANCE THE INPUT TO
- 20 THAT PROCESS.
- 21 MR. SERRANO-SEWALL: THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN
- 22 KLEIN AND COLLEAGUES. TO DR. HENDERSON'S MOTION, AND
- 23 THAT IS, SHOULD THE ICOC DELEGATE TO THE CHAIR, THE
- 24 VICE CHAIR, THE ACTING PRESIDENT THE LIMITED AUTHORITY,
- 25 PERHAPS, TO RESPOND TO THIS PARTICULAR PETITION, NOT TO

- 1 RESPOND TO THE ISSUES THAT ARE RAISED IN THE PETITION?
- 2 THAT'S A MATTER OBVIOUSLY FOR THE ICOC. AND I THINK
- 3 THAT THIS BODY HAS DONE NOTHING TO DISABUSE THE PUBLIC
- 4 OF THE NOTION THAT WE INTEND TO CONDUCT OUR BUSINESS IN
- 5 PRIVATE. EACH ONE OF US MADE A COMMITMENT TO OUR
- 6 APPOINTING OFFICERS THAT WE WOULD BE TRANSPARENT, THAT
- 7 WE WOULD BE OPEN. WE HAVE ATTORNEYS AT EVERY MEETING.
- 8 WE'RE IN FULL COMPLIANCE WITH BAGLEY-KEENE. AND THAT'S
- 9 WHAT WE HAVE TO DO. IT'S NOT SOMETHING YOU NEGOTIATE.
- 10 YOU DO THAT.
- 11 AND FOR THE ISSUES THAT COUNSEL RAISED, THE
- 12 30-DAY ISSUE, CERTAINLY THERE ARE OPTIONS; HOWEVER,
- 13 THERE'S A LOT OF PRESSING ISSUES FOR US TO ADDRESS, A
- 14 LOT OF IMPORTANT BUSINESS, WE'RE NOT GIVING ANYONE
- 15 SHORT SHRIFT. WE'RE JUST SAYING IN THIS INSTANCE FOR
- 16 THIS PETITION IT'S ADVISABLE TO DELEGATE IT TO THE
- 17 AFOREMENTIONED.
- 18 AND LET ME FURTHER ADD MY OWN LITTLE TWO-CENT
- 19 OBSERVATION, AND I'M CERTAINLY NOT PRIVY TO ANY LEGAL
- 20 STRATEGY FROM THE PETITIONERS, BUT IT STRIKES ME THAT
- 21 SUCH A PETITION COULD BE USED TO SEEK DECLARATORY
- 22 JUDICIAL INTERVENTION AND RELIEF SO THEY CAN
- 23 DEMONSTRATE TO THE COURT, NOT SAYING THEY'RE GOING TO,
- 24 BECAUSE I'M NOT PRIVY TO THEIR STRATEGY, BUT SUCH AN
- 25 APPLICATION COULD BE SUBMITTED IN AN APPLICATION TO

- 1 COURT THAT THEY'VE EXHAUSTED THEIR ADMINISTRATIVE
- 2 REMEDIES. I'M NOT SAYING THIS IS WHERE THIS IS GOING.
- 3 I DON'T THINK SO. WHY? BECAUSE WE'RE GOING TO RESPOND
- 4 TO THESE ISSUES IN A DELIBERATE AND FORTHRIGHT MANNER.
- 5 I HAVE EVERY FAITH IN BOB AND ED AND ZACH THAT THEY
- 6 WILL PROVIDE A THOUGHTFUL, CAREFUL ANALYSIS BASED ON
- 7 THE MERITS.
- 8 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: AND LET ME SAY IN THAT, JUST
- 9 BEING CAREFUL LEGALLY, IT WOULD BE ANY TWO, AS I
- 10 UNDERSTAND IT, OUT OF THE THREE OF US BECAUSE ONCE YOU
- 11 DESIGNATE THREE OF US, THEN YOU HAVE A COMMITTEE.
- 12 DR. PIZZO: ZACH IS NOT A MEMBER OF THE
- 13 COMMITTEE.
- 14 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IS THAT ACCEPTABLE?
- 15 MR. HARRISON: IF THEY DELEGATE TO THE CHAIR,
- 16 YOU HAVE AN INHERENT AUTHORITY TO WORK WITH THE
- 17 PRESIDENT TO RESPOND, SO THE DELEGATION SHOULD BE TO
- 18 YOU AS CHAIR.
- 19 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IS THERE ANY PROBLEM IN
- 20 DELEGATING TO -- THAT'S FINE. MY VICE CHAIR IS SAYING
- 21 HE'S COMFORTABLE WITH THE DELEGATION TO ME.
- 22 EVERYTHING -- ALL THE DELEGATIONS AND ALL THE USE OF
- 23 THE DELEGATED POWERS WOULD BE LIMITED TO THIS PETITION
- 24 AND, IN FACT, WOULD BE REPORTED BACK TO THE BOARD.
- 25 MR. SHEEHY: I JUST WANTED TO MAKE A POINT.

- 1 IF SO MANY ORGANIZATIONS HAVE SIGNED ONTO THIS
- 2 PETITION, I'M EXTREMELY UNCOMFORTABLE NEGOTIATING WITH
- 3 ONLY ONE OF THE SIGNATORIES. I THINK OUR BURDEN IS TO
- 4 RESPOND TO THIS WITHIN THE TIME FRAME UNLESS WE HAVE
- 5 REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL THE SIGNATORIES HERE WITH WHICH
- 6 TO NEGOTIATE. SO I WOULD HOPE WE COULD GO AHEAD AND
- 7 PROCEED TO A VOTE ON THIS MOTION.
- 8 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: I THINK IT'S AN IMPORTANT
- 9 POINT THAT IF YOU HAVE -- IT'S BEEN REPRESENTED THERE
- ARE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE SIGNED ON, SO NO ONE CAN WAIVE
- 11 THE PRIVILEGE OR THE RIGHTS. BUT WE DO APPRECIATE, MR.
- 12 HALPERN, THE GESTURE DEFINITELY. AND THAT DOESN'T STOP
- 13 US FROM SITTING DOWN WITH YOU AND GETTING YOUR INPUT.
- DR. PIZZO.
- DR. PIZZO: I WANT TO JUST ALSO SUPPORT THE
- 16 PROPOSITION OF MR. SERRANO-SEWALL BECAUSE I THINK
- 17 THAT -- ALSO THAT COMES FROM DR. HENDERSON -- I THINK
- 18 THAT WE WANT TO HAVE THIS DISCUSSION TAKE PLACE IN A
- 19 PUBLIC SETTING AND TO HAVE FULL DIALOGUE AROUND IT
- 20 THAT'S FULLY ENGAGING. THESE ARE VERY IMPORTANT ISSUES
- 21 FOR SURE. AND AT THE SAME TIME, I THINK IT'S VERY
- 22 PRUDENT TO DELEGATE TO THE CHAIR THE RESPONSIBILITY TO
- 23 HAVE THE DISCUSSION WITH THE PETITIONER SO THAT WE CAN
- 24 BENEFIT FROM THAT AND THEN BRING IT BACK TO A PUBLIC
- 25 FORUM.

- 1 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: OKAY. MR. HALPERN,
- 2 APPRECIATING THAT YOU HAVE MADE A COMMENT BEFORE, ARE
- 3 THERE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WOULD LIKE TO
- 4 COMMENT? YES, THERE IS ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.
- 5 MS. FOGEL: THANK YOU. MY NAME IS SUSAN
- 6 FOGEL. I'M ONE OF THE CO-FOUNDERS OF THE PRO CHOICE
- 7 ALLIANCE FOR RESPONSIBLE RESEARCH. AND WE ARE -- I AM
- 8 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC, AND WE ARE ONE OF THE
- 9 ORGANIZATIONS WHO ARE SUPPORTING THIS PETITION.
- 10 AND I STRONGLY URGE YOU TO ALL OF YOU TO TAKE
- 11 RESPONSIBILITY THAT YOU AGREED TO SERVE THE PUBLIC, NOT
- 12 TO DELEGATE THIS DISCUSSION BEHIND CLOSED DOORS, WHICH
- 13 IS WHAT A DELEGATION TO THE CHAIR WOULD DO, BUT TO HAVE
- 14 A PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF THE PETITION AND OF THE ISSUES
- 15 THAT ARE RAISED IN IT. ONE OF THE MOST CRITICAL THINGS
- 16 THAT WE ARE SUPPORTING IS THAT NO MONEY GO OUT THE DOOR
- 17 UNTIL THESE FOUNDATIONAL ISSUES ARE RESOLVED.
- 18 WE SPENT THE WHOLE MORNING TALKING ABOUT
- 19 OPENNESS. AND ALTA CHARO TALKED ABOUT OPENNESS AND
- 20 TRANSPARENCY. YOU SPOKE ABOUT OPENNESS AND
- 21 TRANSPARENCY. MR. SPOKE ABOUT OPENNESS AND
- 22 TRANSPARENCY. AND HERE IS A PUBLIC REQUEST TO HAVE A
- 23 FULL-BLOWN DISCUSSION OF THE FOUNDATIONAL ISSUES UPON
- 24 WHICH THIS WHOLE INSTITUTION IS GOING TO BE BUILT, AND
- 25 WE'RE TALKING ABOUT CLOSED DISCUSSIONS. SO I URGE YOU

- 1 TO NOT DELEGATE THIS AND, RATHER, TO SCHEDULE SOME OPEN
- 2 MEETINGS ON THESE ISSUES.
- 3 YOU JUST HAD A WHOLE BUNCH OF PEOPLE WHO
- 4 AGREED TO BE SITES FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS. AND THERE'S
- 5 TIME TO WORK WITH THE PETITIONERS TO GET AN EXTENSION
- 6 OF TIME SO THAT WE CAN HAVE THIS PUBLIC DISCUSSION
- 7 RATHER THAN NIPPING IT IN THE BUD. THANK YOU.
- 8 DR. PIZZO.
- 9 DR. PIZZO: I JUST WANTED TO SAY, AS I SAID
- 10 EARLIER, THAT PUBLIC DISCUSSION IS PRECISELY WHAT WE'RE
- 11 LOOKING FOR. AND I THOUGHT THAT WAS VERY MUCH THE
- 12 INTENT OF MY DIALOGUE EARLIER, THAT WE HAVE THESE
- 13 ISSUES BROUGHT FORTH FOR FULL DISCUSSION, BOTH WITH THE
- 14 ICOC AND WITH THE PUBLIC AT A PUBLIC FORUM.
- 15 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: RIGHT. AND I THINK TO
- 16 REEMPHASIZE THE POINT, IT'S CLEARLY BEEN STATED, THE
- 17 INTENT IS TO HAVE PUBLIC MEETINGS ON THESE WITH
- 18 SUFFICIENT NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC THAT THE ENTIRE PUBLIC
- 19 CAN SHOW UP. WHILE WE CAN RESPECT AND APPRECIATE THE
- 20 CONTRIBUTION THAT'S DESIRED TO BE MADE BY FIVE OR SIX
- 21 OR SEVEN GROUPS, THAT'S NOT THE PUBLIC. THE PUBLIC
- 22 HAPPENS TO BE 30 MILLION PEOPLE, AND THEY NEED NOTICE
- 23 AND THEY NEED AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW UP. WE ACCEPT THE
- 24 FACT AND RECOGNIZE AND HAVE TALKED ABOUT HOLDING PUBLIC
- 25 HEARINGS. WE INTEND TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THESE

- 1 MATTERS. IT'S VERY CLEAR.
- 2 FURTHERMORE, THE INITIATIVE MAKES IT VERY
- 3 CLEAR. WE CANNOT HAVE RESEARCH GRANTS WITHOUT
- 4 STANDARDS IN PLACE. THERE'S NO QUESTION ABOUT THAT.
- 5 AND ANY STATEMENT TO THE CONTRARY IS A
- 6 MISREPRESENTATION OF THE INITIATIVE. IT REQUIRES IT.
- 7 MR. REED: AS ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC, I
- 8 THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE PROCEED WITH ALL SPEED. I
- 9 THINK THAT WE RUN A RISK OF ESTABLISHING MORE AND MORE
- 10 COMMITTEES TO STUDY MORE AND MORE ISSUES. WHAT IS TO
- 11 GUARANTEE THAT THERE WILL NOT BE OTHER ISSUES THAT WILL
- 12 REQUIRE MORE AND MORE THINGS? IN THE MEANTIME WE'RE
- 13 DELAYING, DELAYING, DELAYING. WE HAVE PATIENTS WHO ARE
- 14 SUFFERING NOW. WE ARE IN A PUBLIC FORUM RIGHT NOW.
- 15 WE'RE DEBATING THIS IN A PUBLIC MANNER. THERE IS
- 16 ADEQUATE PROCEDURE SET UP FOR PUBLIC DEBATE. WE'RE
- 17 DOING IT NOW. WE CAN DO IT AGAIN.
- 18 THE IDEA OF SETTING UP MORE AND MORE
- 19 COMMITTEES TO HAVE MORE AND MORE DIFFERENT DELAYING
- 20 THINGS, I WOULD QUESTION THE VALIDITY OF MORE AND MORE
- 21 DELAYS. WE'VE GOT PEOPLE THAT ARE SUFFERING NOW.
- 22 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- 23 MS. MC VAY: MY NAME IS KAY MC VAY. I'M WITH
- 24 THE CALIFORNIA NURSES ASSOCIATION, AND WE DO SUPPORT
- 25 THIS PETITION. WE THINK THAT THERE NEEDS TO BE VERY

- 1 THOUGHTFUL INVESTIGATION AND COMMITMENT TO THE VERY
- 2 THING THAT I'M HERE TO MAKE SURE IS HAPPENING, AND IT'S
- 3 AN OPEN MEETING WITH OPEN DISCUSSION WHERE YOU REALLY
- 4 GO INTO WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO PATIENTS.
- 5 MY BIGGEST INTEREST, MY MAIN INTEREST, IS
- 6 WHAT HAPPENS TO PATIENTS. THAT'S WHY THIS PETITION
- 7 CAME FORWARD. IT IS NOT SOMETHING THAT WAS DONE
- 8 LIGHTLY. IT WAS DONE WITH FULL THOUGHT ABOUT HOW
- 9 PATIENTS ARE CARED FOR AND HOW THIS ORGANIZATION IS
- 10 GOING TO AFFECT THEIR CARE. AND WE WANT TO SAFEGUARD
- 11 THEM.
- 12 SO YOU TAKE 30 DAYS. THAT MIGHT MAKE A HUGE
- 13 DIFFERENCE IN HOW YOU FUNCTION AND HOW YOU GO FORWARD
- 14 TO REALLY ACHIEVE THE GOALS THAT I'M SURE EACH AND
- 15 EVERY ONE OF YOU ARE ON THIS COMMITTEE TO MAKE SURE
- 16 HAPPENS.
- 17 MR. FRANK: GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. KLEIN, LADIES
- 18 AND GENTLEMEN. TERRY FRANK WITH CALIFORNIANS AWARE. I
- 19 THINK THERE'S LITTLE AMBIGUITY LEFT ABOUT WHAT IS BEING
- 20 DELEGATED HERE AND WHAT A RESPONSE MEANS. IF, AS
- 21 MR. HARRISON SUGGESTS, A RESPONSE WITHIN THE MEANING OF
- 22 THE LAW ON THE MERITS CAN BE ONE THAT SAYS WE TAKE YOUR
- 23 ISSUES SERIOUSLY AND WE'RE GOING TO GIVE THEM SERIOUS
- 24 CONSIDERATION, YOU CAN SAY THAT RIGHT NOW. THE ICOC
- 25 OBVIOUSLY FEELS THAT WAY. YOU CAN MAKE A RESPONSE TO

- 1 THAT EFFECT RIGHT NOW WITHOUT COMMITTING YOURSELF TO
- 2 ANY SUBSTANCE.
- ON THE OTHER HAND, IF RESPONSE MEANS A HARD,
- 4 DETERMINATIVE RESPONSE WILL GIVE YOU THIS, WE WON'T
- 5 GIVE YOU THAT, GO AWAY, THEN IT'S CLEARLY SOMETHING
- 6 THAT I DON'T BELIEVE CAN BE DELEGATED TO MR. KLEIN OR
- 7 ANYONE ELSE. THAT'S AN ACT OF RULEMAKING, AND IT'S ONE
- 8 THAT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY.
- 9 SO IF YOU GO FOR INTERPRETATION A, THEN THE
- 10 ICOC CAN TODAY, BASED ON THE RECORD OF WHAT'S BEEN SAID
- 11 AROUND THE TABLE, INDEED TELL THE PETITIONERS THAT THE
- 12 PETITION IS IN HAND, IT'S BEING TAKEN SERIOUSLY, AND IT
- 13 WILL BE DOCKETED FOR A DELIBERATIVE DISCUSSION AT THE
- 14 NEXT MEETING. THANK YOU.
- DR. BARGLOW: MY NAME IS RAYMOND BARGLOW.
- 16 I'M REPRESENTING TODAY THE STEM CELL ACTION NETWORK,
- 17 WHICH IS A NATIONWIDE PATIENT ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION.
- 18 WE'RE ALSO -- OUR ORGANIZATION ALSO BELONGS TO THE
- 19 COALITION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF MEDICAL RESEARCH.
- 20 I BELIEVE THIS DISCUSSION IS A VERY IMPORTANT
- 21 ONE. WE PATIENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS, AND
- 22 OBVIOUSLY I CAN'T SPEAK FOR ALL PATIENTS, BUT I SPEAK
- 23 FOR A VERY ACTIVIST GROUP THAT'S BEEN CENTRAL, I THINK,
- TO ADVANCING THE CAUSE OF STEM CELL RESEARCH, BOTH HERE
- 25 IN CALIFORNIA AND NATIONWIDE.

- 1 WE APPRECIATE AND APPLAUD THE PRIORITY THAT
- 2 THE INSTITUTE IS GIVING TO ADVANCING STEM CELL SCIENCE
- 3 AND MOVING IT FROM THE LAB TO THE BEDSIDE IN A TIMELY
- 4 WAY, WHICH IS THE POINT THAT DON REED MADE. SOME
- 5 MISSTEPS AND SOME CONFUSION ARE INEVITABLE IN EMBARKING
- 6 ON AN UNDERTAKING OF THIS MAGNITUDE AND COMPLEXITY.
- 7 HOWEVER, WE'VE BEEN PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE
- 8 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR
- 9 REGENERATIVE MEDICINE AND ARE IMPRESSED WITH THE
- 10 DILIGENCE OF INSTITUTE PERSONNEL, INCLUDING THE HEARING
- 11 THE ICOC HAS GIVEN THIS MORNING TO PROFESSOR ALTA
- 12 CHARO'S DISCUSSION OF ETHICS.
- 13 WHILE ACKNOWLEDGING THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF
- 14 PROPOSITION 71 SHOULD BE SUBJECT TO CAREFUL AND ONGOING
- 15 CRITICAL SCRUTINY, AND I APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT
- 16 CHARLES HALPERN AND OTHERS HAVE DONE TO KEEP THE ISSUES
- 17 IN FRONT OF THE PUBLIC, ALTHOUGH THAT PUBLIC IS VERY
- 18 DIVERSE, I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THE PUBLIC IS ENTIRELY
- 19 REPRESENTED BY THE SEVEN GROUPS.
- 20 WE NOTE THAT THE MEASURE PLACES FULL
- 21 AUTHORITY FOR IMPLEMENTATION SOUARELY IN THE HANDS OF
- 22 THE INSTITUTE, WHICH IS A COMMITTEE WHOSE MEMBERS ARE
- 23 PUBLIC APPOINTED AND ENTRUSTED WITH IMPLEMENTATION.
- 24 THE ICOC AND THE CIRM WORKING GROUPS ARE
- 25 CONSCIENTIOUSLY BEGINNING TO DO THEIR WORK AND SHOULD

- 1 BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE DOING SO.
- 2 WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE EFFORT ON THE PART
- 3 OF A FEW CRITICS WHO HAVE APPOINTED THEMSELVES
- 4 GUARDIANS OF THE PUBLIC INTEREST TO SHAPE INSTITUTE
- 5 POLICIES. AND WE'RE DISMAYED BY THE MASSIVE PUBLICITY
- 6 CAMPAIGN OF MISINFORMATION THAT THESE CRITICS HAVE
- 7 LAUNCHED TO DISCREDIT THE INSTITUTE.
- 8 THE LAWSUITS BEING FILED BY THE CRITICS ARE
- 9 BASED LARGELY, NOT ENTIRELY, BUT LARGELY UPON EXTREMIST
- 10 RELIGIOUS AND IDEOLOGICAL AGENDAS. AND THEY ARE AT
- 11 ODDS, WE BELIEVE, WITH THE INSTITUTE MISSION, WHICH IS
- 12 TO ADVANCE STEM CELL RESEARCH AND FIND EFFECTIVE
- 13 TREATMENTS FOR DEVASTATING ILLNESSES. SO THAT'S THE
- 14 OPINION OF SOME STEM CELL ACTIVISTS WHO COME FROM THE
- 15 PATIENT ADVOCACY COMMUNITY.
- 16 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ONE
- 17 MORE PUBLIC COMMENT.
- 18 MR. REYNOLDS: THANK YOU. I'M JESSE REYNOLDS
- 19 FROM THE CENTER FOR GENETICS IN SOCIETY, AND THE
- 20 CENTER, ALONG WITH THE GROUPS, THE PRO CHOICE ALLIANCE
- 21 FOR RESPONSIBLE RESEARCH, CALPERG, THE CALIFORNIA
- 22 NURSES ASSOCIATION, CALIFORNIANS AWARE, THE GREEN
- 23 LINING INSTITUTE, REDEFINING PROGRESS, AND THE
- 24 FOUNDATION FOR TAXPAYER AND CONSUMER RIGHTS HAVE SIGNED
- 25 ON IN SUPPORT OF THIS PETITION.

- 1 I THINK THAT THE DIVERSITY OF THE INTERESTS
- 2 OF THESE GROUPS AND THE FACT THAT NONE OF THESE GROUPS
- 3 OPPOSE EMBRYONIC STEM CELL RESEARCH, MOST OF THEM
- 4 EXPLICITLY SUPPORT IT, SPEAKS TO THE HONESTY AND THE
- 5 IMPORTANCE OF THE ACTUAL ITEMS ON THE PETITION. THIS
- 6 IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO STOP EMBRYONIC STEM CELL RESEARCH.
- 7 WE WANT IT TO BE DONE RIGHT.
- 8 AND WE FEEL THAT ANY EFFORT TO TAKE THIS
- 9 DISCUSSION OF THESE VERY IMPORTANT ITEMS, WHICH
- 10 CHAIRMAN KLEIN SAID WERE VERY IMPORTANT ISSUES THAT DID
- 11 NEED TO BE DISCUSSED IN PUBLIC, ANY EFFORT TO TAKE
- 12 THESE ISSUES AND MOVE THEIR DISCUSSION BEHIND CLOSED
- 13 DOORS IS A DISSERVICE TO THE PETITIONERS, IT'S A
- 14 DISSERVICE TO THESE GROUPS. IN FACT, IT IS A
- 15 DISSERVICE TO THE INSTITUTE ITSELF AND TO THE PEOPLE OF
- 16 CALIFORNIA. THANK YOU.
- 17 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: POINT OF INFORMATION. IS
- 18 THE CENTER FOR GENETICS IN SOCIETY PART OF THE GROUP
- 19 THAT YOU IDENTIFIED?
- 20 MR. REYNOLDS: YES. THAT IS GROUP THAT I AM
- 21 AFFILIATED WITH, AND IT IS ONE OF THE GROUPS THAT
- 22 ENDORSED THE PETITION.
- 23 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IS WESLEY SMITH PART OF THAT
- 24 GROUP?
- MR. REYNOLDS: NO. WE HAVE NO RELATIONSHIP

- 1 WITH WESLEY SMITH.
- 2 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: SO YOU ARE SUPPORTIVE OF
- 3 STEM CELL RESEARCH; IS THAT RIGHT?
- 4 MR. REYNOLDS: WE SUPPORT EMBRYONIC STEM CELL
- 5 RESEARCH AND, IN FACT, THE PUBLIC FUNDING OF EMBRYONIC
- 6 STEM CELL RESEARCH.
- 7 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU. WE HAVE GONE
- 8 THROUGH THE COMMENTS, AND YOU HAVE HAD A COMMENT. IN
- 9 RESPECTING -- WE HAVE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST ISSUES
- 10 POLICY WE NEED TO GET ADDRESSED. THERE ARE THINGS THAT
- 11 YOU WANT TO ADDRESS THAT MATERIALLY AND SUBSTANTIVELY
- 12 WILL HELP MOVE THE POLICY FORWARD IN, I THINK, THE
- 13 DIRECTION THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE ADDRESSED, BUT WE
- 14 SUBSTANTIVELY HAVE TO HAVE THE TIME TO DEAL WITH THAT.
- DR. FRIEDMAN.
- DR. FRIEDMAN: IF I MAY, I'D LIKE TO SUGGEST
- 17 A MODIFICATION TO DR. HENDERSON'S EARLIER COMMENTS. I
- 18 WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST THAT THE ICOC TODAY IN THE MOST
- 19 RESPECTFUL AND SOBER WAY RECOGNIZE THAT THESE ARE
- 20 IMPORTANT TOPICS, THAT WE MAKE A DECISION HERE AND NOW
- 21 THAT OUR FORMAL RESPONSE WILL BE THESE ARE SO
- 22 IMPORTANT, THAT WE WILL LAY THESE OUT IN PUBLIC
- 23 MEETINGS. AND JUST TO REPEAT WHAT YOU SAID EARLIER,
- 24 CHAIRMAN, THAT WE WILL NOT BE DISPENSING FUNDS TO
- 25 GRANTS UNTIL THESE POLICIES ARE EXPLICITLY DEALT WITH

- 1 IN THE MOST SERIOUS WAY, SAY, YES, THANK YOU FOR
- 2 POINTING THESE OUT, AND OUR FORMAL RESPONSE IS WE WILL
- 3 HOLD PUBLIC DISCUSSIONS PROPERLY NOTICED, PROPERLY
- 4 PREPARED FOR, AND THAT'S HOW WE WILL DEAL WITH THIS.
- 5 AND I SUGGEST, MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT BE OUR FORMAL
- 6 RESPONSE TODAY, AND THAT WE NOT GIVE IT TO YOU AND A
- 7 SUBGROUP TO WORK ON.
- 8 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WELL, THE -- I SUGGEST THAT
- 9 THAT'S A GOOD PUBLIC RESPONSE AS AN OPTION. SOMEBODY
- 10 NEEDS TO BE ABLE TO BE AUTHORIZED TO WRITE A WRITTEN
- 11 RESPONSE TO CONFORM WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.
- DR. FRIEDMAN: EXPRESSING THAT SENTIMENT.
- 13 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: SO THERE WAS A MOTION ON THE
- 14 TABLE. THERE'S BEEN AN AMENDMENT SUGGESTED. DOES THE
- MAKER OF THE MOTION ACCEPT THE AMENDMENT?
- DR. HENDERSON: YES.
- 17 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: AMENDMENT HAS BEEN ACCEPTED
- 18 TO THE MOTION. COMMENTS ON THE MOTION? OSWALD
- 19 STEWARD. DR. STEWARD.
- 20 DR. STEWARD: CAN WE HAVE AN INDICATION FROM
- 21 COUNSEL ABOUT WHETHER THAT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AS A
- 22 SUBSTANTIVE RESPONSE?
- 23 MR. HARRISON: I THINK THAT THAT APPROACH IS
- 24 ARGUABLY A SUBSTANTIVE RESPONSE, BUT THAT POSITION IS
- 25 NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR. WHAT YOU'D BE SUGGESTING IS THAT

- 1 YOU'LL CONSIDER THESE ISSUES, THAT THEY'RE SERIOUS
- 2 ISSUES, AND THAT YOU WILL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARINGS TO
- 3 DISCUSS THEM. WHAT THE CODE REQUIRES IS THAT YOU
- 4 CONSIDER THEM ON THE MERITS WITHIN 30 DAYS. SO IN THE
- 5 ABSENCE OF SOME ASSURANCE FROM THE PETITIONERS
- 6 THEMSELVES, ALL OF THEM, THAT THEY'D BE WILLING TO
- 7 EXTEND THAT TIME SO THAT YOU COULD NOTICE PUBLIC
- 8 HEARINGS TO DISCUSS ALL OF THESE ISSUES IN THEIR
- 9 ENTIRETY, IT'S A --
- 10 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: COUNSEL, IT DOESN'T REQUIRE
- 11 US TO HAVE PUBLIC MEETINGS WITHIN 30 DAYS. IT REQUIRES
- 12 THAT WE HAVE A RESPONSE WITHIN 30 DAYS.
- MR. HARRISON: THAT'S CORRECT.
- 14 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: SO WE CAN HAVE A RESPONSE
- 15 WITHIN 30 DAYS, BUT THE RESPONSE CAN MEMORIALIZE THE
- 16 FACT THAT WE INTEND, WE'VE ALWAYS INTENDED, AND WE WILL
- 17 RECOGNIZE -- WANT RECOGNITION THAT WE'VE ALWAYS
- 18 INTENDED ON EACH OF THESE ITEMS TO HAVE PUBLIC
- 19 HEARINGS, AND THAT WE WILL HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON
- 20 THESE WHERE THE WHOLE PUBLIC IS INVITED, NOT A SMALL
- 21 SEGMENT OF THE PUBLIC. AND THAT, IN FACT, THERE WILL
- 22 BE NO RESEARCH GRANTS UNTIL THERE ARE STANDARDS IN
- 23 PLACE.
- 24 NOW, WE CAN PROVIDE A RESPONSE THAT THEN ALSO
- 25 RECOGNIZES THE STEPS WE'RE TAKING TO GET TO A

- 1 MEANINGFUL SET OF PUBLIC HEARINGS IN THAT PROCESS; IS
- 2 THAT CORRECT, COUNSEL?
- 3 MR. HARRISON: THAT IS CORRECT, BUT YOU
- 4 SHOULD KNOW THAT THERE'S SOME VULNERABILITY THAT ONE
- 5 COULD TAKE THE POSITION THAT THAT IS NOT A SUBSTANTIVE
- 6 RESPONSE ON THE MERITS.
- 7 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: I WOULD ASK THAT WE AMEND IT
- 8 TO GIVE ME DISCRETION TO WORK WITH COUNSEL --
- 9 DR. FRIEDMAN: ACCEPTED.
- DR. HENDERSON: ACCEPTED.
- 11 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: -- TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE A
- 12 SUBSTANTIVE RESPONSE.
- DR. PIZZO: CALL THE QUESTION.
- 14 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THE QUESTION HAS BEEN
- 15 CALLED. ALL IN FAVOR. OPPOSED. THANK YOU.
- 16 APPRECIATE IT. APPRECIATE IT, MR. HALPERN. APPRECIATE
- 17 ALL OF THE DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS' INPUT, AND WE DO
- 18 BELIEVE, AS WE'VE PREVIOUSLY STATED, THESE ARE VERY
- 19 IMPORTANT PUBLIC MEETINGS THAT WE WILL HAVE WITH PUBLIC
- 20 DEBATE, INCLUDING PUBLIC REPRESENTATION OF BOTH SIDES
- 21 OF THESE ISSUES. THANK YOU.
- 22 IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE, NOW THAT WE HAVE
- 23 A PRESIDENT AND WE ARE BEGINNING TO BUILD A STAFF, THAT
- 24 WE AT LEAST TODAY ADDRESS THE EMPLOYEE CONFLICTS
- 25 ISSUES. I WOULD SUGGEST THAT FROM THE LAST MEETING WE

- 1 HAVE A DRAFT OF SOME IDEAS DEALING -- FROM COUNSEL WHO
- 2 TRIED TO CAPTURE THE SENSE OF THE PRIOR MEETING ON SOME
- 3 IDEAS DEALING WITH CONFLICT ON THE MEMBERS. I'D LIKE
- 4 THE MEMBERS TO CONSIDER THAT FOR THE NEXT MEETING, BUT
- 5 I WANT TO GET AT LEAST, WITH THE LIMITED TIME
- 6 AVAILABLE, THE EMPLOYEE CONFLICTS POLICY IN PLACE
- 7 TODAY.
- 8 IF WE CAN DO THAT, AND IF YOU GO TO TAB 10,
- 9 THE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST CODE OF THE CALIFORNIA
- 10 INSTITUTE FOR REGENERATIVE MEDICINE IS A DISCLOSURE
- 11 CODE THAT DOES ADDRESS THE BOARD AND THE EMPLOYEES, BUT
- 12 IT IS THE DISCLOSURE CODE THAT HAS ALREADY BEEN
- 13 ADDRESSED BY THE BOARD IN THEIR FILING OF FORM 700. IS
- 14 THAT A CORRECT STATEMENT, COUNSEL, THAT THE DESIGNATED
- 15 EMPLOYEE CATEGORY FOR DISCLOSURE FOR THE BOARD MEMBERS
- AS REPRESENTED HERE ON THIS CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE
- 17 HAS BEEN SATISFIED AND IS CONTINUING TO BE SATISFIED BY
- 18 FORM 700 DISCLOSURE OF THE BOARD?
- 19 MR. HARRISON: YES. ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS
- 20 DISCLOSED UNDER THE HIGHEST DISCLOSURE THRESHOLD,
- 21 SECTION 87200 OF THE POLITICAL REFORM ACT. AND THE
- 22 SAME DISCLOSURE CATEGORY WOULD CONTINUE TO APPLY TO THE
- BOARD MEMBERS.
- 24 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: BUT WE ARE INCLUDING THE
- 25 PRESIDENT, THE CHIEF SCIENTIFIC OFFICER, THE ETHICS

- 1 OFFICER, AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS AT THE POLICY LEVEL OF
- 2 THE INSTITUTE EMPLOYEE STAFF IN THIS DISCLOSURE
- 3 CATEGORY. ALL RIGHT. IS THERE --
- 4 DR. BALTIMORE: COULD I MAKE TWO POINTS? ONE
- 5 IS MAYBE IT WOULD BE EASIER IF COUNSEL SAT AT THE TABLE
- 6 AND TOOK A MICROPHONE AND DIDN'T HAVE TO GO BACK AND
- 7 FORTH ALL THE TIME.
- 8 THE OTHER --
- 9 MR. HARRISON: THIS IS FINE. I'LL PERCH.
- DR. BALTIMORE: THAT WILL KEEP US ALL IN
- 11 BETTER POSITION.
- 12 AND THE OTHER IS THAT UNDER CATEGORY 1, AND I
- 13 HAD THIS DISCUSSION AT LUNCH, AND I THINK IT JUST NEEDS
- 14 CLARIFICATION, UNDER CATEGORY 1 IT SAYS A DESIGNATED
- 15 EMPLOYEE IN THIS CATEGORY SHALL REPORT ALL INVESTMENTS,
- 16 BUSINESS POSITIONS, AND INCOME, INCLUDING GIFTS, LOANS,
- 17 TRAVEL, AND ALL INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN
- 18 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. WHAT WE FILLED OUT FOR FORM
- 19 700 WAS NOTHING LIKE THAT AS THAT'S WRITTEN IN ENGLISH.
- NOW, I SAY AS THAT WAS WRITTEN IN ENGLISH
- 21 BECAUSE AT LUNCH WE HAD A DISCUSSION IN WHICH IT WAS
- 22 SAID, WELL, IF YOU TREAT ALL THESE WORDS AS LEGAL WORDS
- 23 FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA REGULATIONS, THEN IT LOOKS
- LIKE FORM 700. BUT IT IS ENGLISH AND IT DOESN'T LOOK
- 25 LIKE FORM 700.

- 1 MR. HARRISON: THAT'S CORRECT. THESE ARE ALL
- 2 DEFINED TERMS UNDER THE POLITICAL REFORM ACT.
- 3 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: JAMES HARRISON, COULD WE
- 4 HAVE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, TED PRIMM, DEPUTY ATTORNEY
- 5 GENERAL, PLEASE ADDRESS THIS BECAUSE HE IS AN EXPERT IN
- 6 THIS PARTICULAR SUBJECT. I BELIEVE, TED, THEY'RE
- 7 HOLDING UP A MICROPHONE FOR YOU.
- 8 MR. PRIMM: WELL, I WAS THE ONE THAT HAD THE
- 9 DISCUSSION AT LUNCH. AND THE DIFFICULTY IS THAT, FOR
- 10 EXAMPLE, YOU ALL ARE DISCLOSING UNDER A CATEGORY THAT'S
- 11 SET OUT FOR STATEWIDE ELECTED OFFICERS, FOR EXAMPLE.
- 12 YOU DISCLOSE IN THE SAME ONE. WHAT THAT SAYS IS YOU
- 13 WILL DISCLOSE ALL INVESTMENTS, ALL INTERESTS IN REAL
- 14 PROPERTY, AND ALL SOURCES OF INCOME. AND THEN WE HAVE
- 15 DEFINITIONS OF EACH OF THOSE TERMS, WHICH INCLUDE SOME
- 16 FAIRLY LONG EXEMPTIONS FROM THOSE. FOR EXAMPLE, UNDER
- 17 SOURCE OF INCOME, THERE ARE LIKE 12 EXCEPTIONS. UNDER
- 18 INVESTMENTS THERE ARE A GROUP OF EXCEPTIONS ALSO. AND
- 19 THOSE EXCEPTIONS ARE THE KINDS OF THINGS THAT
- 20 DR. BALTIMORE IS TALKING ABOUT.
- 21 SO THAT, FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN THEY TALK ABOUT AN
- 22 INVESTMENT IN A BUSINESS ENTITY, THAT DOES NOT INCLUDE
- 23 A BUSINESS ENTITY THAT DOES NOT DO BUSINESS IN
- 24 CALIFORNIA. AND IT DOES NOT INCLUDE MUTUAL FUNDS.
- 25 THOSE ARE SPECIFICALLY EXCLUDED.

- 1 IF WE ARE TO TRY TO PUT ALL OF THESE
- 2 EXCEPTIONS ACTUALLY INTO THE CODE, THEN THIS THING IS
- 3 GOING TO BECOME PAGES LONG OF LEGAL --
- 4 DR. BALTIMORE: COULD YOU JUST SAY AS DEFINED
- 5 IN THE CODE AND GIVE A REFERENCE SO THAT --
- 6 MR. PRIMM: SURE. IF YOU WANT TO DO
- 7 SOMETHING LIKE THAT, WE CAN DO THAT. I THINK THAT'S
- 8 UNDERSTOOD, BUT I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THE FACT THAT WE
- 9 CAN SAY SOMETHING IN THERE THAT THE TERMS THAT ARE
- 10 BEING USED IN CODE ARE THE ONES --
- DR. BALTIMORE: THAT WAY WE KNOW IT ISN'T
- 12 ENGLISH. IT'S LEGALESE.
- 13 MR. PRIMM: IT WILL STILL BE LEGALESE, BUT
- 14 MAYBE IT WILL BE MORE HELPFUL, AND THAT'S FINE.
- 15 DR. GOLDBERG: I THINK THE SIMPLE CRITERIA IS
- 16 I THINK WE'RE ALL COMFORTABLE WITH FORM 700 AND THE
- 17 CRITERIA THERE. I THINK WHAT'S UNCOMFORTABLE ABOUT
- 18 THIS LANGUAGE IS TO THE EXTENT THAT IT CONSTRUES OR
- 19 IMPLIES ANYTHING DIFFERENT THAN THAT, THAT'S ALL.
- 20 MR. PRIMM: THE FORM 700 ITSELF IS A LITTLE
- 21 BIT MISLEADING AS A CONCEPT BECAUSE THAT VERY SAME FORM
- 22 IS USED FOR PEOPLE LIKE THE GOVERNOR FILES A FORM 700.
- 23 AND SOMEBODY IN AN AGENCY WHO ONLY HAS TO DISCLOSE SOME
- 24 NARROW PIECE OF ECONOMIC INTEREST USES THE SAME FORM.
- 25 IT'S THIS THING CALLED THE DISCLOSURE CATEGORY THAT'S

- 1 THE OVERLAY. FOR EXAMPLE, THE VERY SAME FORM THAT YOU
- 2 FILL OUT IS GOING TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE PEOPLE IN
- 3 CATEGORY 1, 2, AND 3. IN CATEGORY 1 THEY'RE GOING TO
- 4 BE FILLING OUT EVERYTHING. IN CATEGORY 3 IT'S GOING TO
- 5 BE A MUCH MORE NARROW GROUP OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS. BUT
- 6 THEY'RE STILL GOING TO APPEAR ON THE SAME FORM USING
- 7 THE SAME DEFINITIONS.
- 8 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IS IT PROPER TO SAY THAT WE
- 9 FILE FOR FORM 700 UNDER CATEGORY 1 AS BOARD MEMBERS?
- 10 MR. PRIMM: THAT'S CORRECT.
- 11 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: OKAY. AND THAT IS THE
- 12 STANDARD WE'RE BEING HELD TO, AND WE ARE HOLDING THE
- 13 PRESIDENT, THE ETHICS OFFICER, THE CHIEF SCIENTIFIC
- 14 OFFICER, THE PEOPLE MAKING POLICY TO THE SAME STANDARDS
- 15 WE'RE BEING HELD TO. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE ACCOMPLISHING
- 16 HERE. IS THAT A CORRECT STATEMENT?
- 17 MR. PRIMM: THAT'S A CORRECT STATEMENT.
- 18 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: SO THAT'S A MATTER OF RECORD
- 19 TO CLARIFY THE RECORD. AND ALL OF THESE TERMS HAVE
- 20 BEEN DEBATED BY THE LEGISLATURE, ADOPTED BY THE
- 21 LEGISLATURE, REVIEWED BY THE FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES
- 22 COMMISSION, OR OTHER GROUPS AS APPROPRIATE, COMMENTED
- 23 ON IN THE LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS, AND THE LEGISLATURE AND
- 24 THE STATUTES, IT IS STATUTES, AS I UNDERSTAND, TED,
- THAT WE'RE REFLECTING; IS THAT RIGHT?

- 1 MR. PRIMM: IT WAS AN INITIATIVE JUST LIKE
- 2 PROP 71. SO IT WAS ADOPTED BY THE PEOPLE, AND THEN
- 3 IT'S BEEN IMPLEMENTED THROUGH REGULATIONS OF THE
- 4 POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION.
- 5 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: I APPRECIATE THE CORRECTION.
- 6 DR. PRIETO: COULD I MAKE A MOTION, THEN,
- 7 THAT WE ADD THE LANGUAGE SUGGESTED BY DR. BALTIMORE TO
- 8 THIS CATEGORY?
- 9 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: OKAY. IS THERE A SECOND?
- DR. WRIGHT: SECOND.
- 11 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: SECOND. THERE'S A MOTION ON
- 12 THE FLOOR. ARE THERE ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FROM THE
- 13 BOARD? ARE THERE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC? NO
- 14 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC. CALL FOR THE QUESTION.
- DR. POMEROY: ARE WE VOTING ON JUST THE
- 16 AMENDMENT OR THE ENTIRE QUESTION?
- 17 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: LET'S VOTE FIRST ON THE
- 18 AMENDMENT AND THEN ON THE MOTION ITSELF. ALL IN FAVOR.
- 19 CALLING THE QUESTION ON THE MOTION.
- 20 DR. POMEROY: CAN I MAKE ONE COMMENT BEFORE
- 21 WE DO THAT? I THINK IT'S A TECHNICAL POINT, BUT WE ARE
- 22 LISTED ON PAGE 1 OF 2 OF APPENDIX A AS DESIGNATED
- 23 EMPLOYEES. AND I BELIEVE THAT NEEDS TO SAY EMPLOYEE OR
- 24 OFFICIAL BECAUSE WE ARE NOT EMPLOYEES.
- 25 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THAT IS A CORRECT STATEMENT.

- 1 IT NEEDS TO SAY DESIGNATED -- LET'S HAVE TED PRIMM
- 2 ADDRESS THIS.
- 3 MR. PRIMM: RIGHT NOW YOU DISCLOSE PURSUANT
- 4 TO A SECTION THAT SAYS WHEN A NEW BOARD IS CREATED, IT
- 5 FILES UNDER THE SAME CATEGORY AS THE GOVERNOR UNTIL A
- 6 CODE IS ADOPTED. SO NOW WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF GOING
- 7 THROUGH THE CODE PROCESS. AND BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT
- 8 LISTED AS WHAT WE CALL AN ARTICLE II FILER ACTUALLY IN
- 9 THE STATUTE WITH A DEFINED DISCLOSURE CATEGORY, YOU ARE
- 10 WHAT WE CALL A DESIGNATED EMPLOYEE. THAT EVEN THOUGH
- 11 YOU'RE A BOARD MEMBER OF A VERY IMPORTANT BOARD, FOR
- 12 PURPOSES OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE, YOU'RE A
- 13 DESIGNATED EMPLOYEE.
- 14 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IS THAT FOR DISCLOSURE
- 15 PURPOSES ONLY?
- 16 MR. PRIMM: YEAH. THE STATUTE STILL DEFINES
- 17 YOUR DISQUALIFICATION.
- 18 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU FOR THE
- 19 CLARIFICATION.
- 20 MR. PRIMM: THE OTHER THING WE SHOULD CLARIFY
- 21 IS WE'RE NOT ACTUALLY ADOPTING THIS CODE TODAY. THIS
- 22 HAS NOW STILL GOT TO GO THROUGH THE PROCESS OF BEING
- 23 APPROVED BY THE FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION AND
- 24 NOTICED IN A FORMALIZED PROCESS.
- 25 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IS IT APPROPRIATE TO SAY

- 1 WE'RE ADOPTING FOR THE INSTITUTE SUBJECT TO THEIR
- 2 APPROVAL?
- 3 MR. PRIMM: WELL, WHAT YOU ARE DOING AT THIS
- 4 POINT IS THAT YOU'RE ADOPTING FOR PURPOSES OF US
- 5 NOTICING IT AND MOVING FORWARD IN THE PROCESS.
- 6 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THAT'S GREAT.
- 7 MR. GOLDBERG: SECOND.
- 8 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: SO WE HAVE A MOTION ON THE
- 9 FLOOR.
- DR. PIZZO: COULD YOU RESTATE THE MOTION?
- 11 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: AND THE MOTION IS TO APPROVE
- 12 THIS WITH THE AMENDMENT THAT WAS APPROVED. AND THERE
- 13 IS A SECOND ALREADY MADE AND PENDING. I CALL FOR THE
- 14 QUESTION ON THIS ITEM. ALL IN FAVOR. OPPOSED? OKAY.
- 15 I WOULD LIKE TO GO TO THE ITEM NO. 10 B -- TO
- 16 THE 10 C, WHICH DEALS WITH THE STATEMENT OF
- 17 INCOMPATIBLE ACTIVITIES. JAMES, COULD YOU PLEASE
- 18 DISCUSS FOR EMPLOYEES WHY A STATEMENT OF INCOMPATIBLE
- 19 ACTIVITIES IS CALLED FOR UNDER THE STATE STATUTE?
- 20 MR. HARRISON: YES. GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION
- 21 19990 REQUIRES THAT EACH STATE AGENCY ADOPT A STATEMENT
- OF INCOMPATIBLE ACTIVITIES THAT SETS FORTH THE ITEMS
- 23 THAT YOU SEE HERE IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER POLICIES THE
- 24 AGENCY WISHES TO ADOPT AS WELL AS PROCEDURES FOR
- 25 HANDLING ANY VIOLATIONS OF THE INCOMPATIBLE ACTIVITIES

- 1 STATEMENT.
- 2 IT IS SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF THE
- 3 DEPARTMENT -- DPA, PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION, AFTER YOUR
- 4 APPROVAL.
- 5 DR. BRYANT: SO FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS, ARE
- 6 WE EMPLOYEES OR NOT?
- 7 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THIS DOES NOT ADDRESS US,
- 8 AND WE ARE NOT EMPLOYEES FOR PURPOSES OF THIS
- 9 STATEMENT, ARE WE?
- 10 MR. HARRISON: CORRECT. YOU'RE DESIGNATED
- 11 EMPLOYEES UNDER THE POLITICAL REFORM ACT FOR FILING
- 12 PURPOSES. YOU'RE NOT EMPLOYEES FOR PURPOSES OF THE
- 13 INCOMPATIBLE ACTIVITIES STATEMENT.
- 14 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THESE ARE THE REAL
- 15 EMPLOYEES.
- MR. HARRISON: THESE ARE THE STAFF OF THE
- 17 INSTITUTE.
- 18 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: OKAY. ALL RIGHT.
- DR. HENDERSON: MOVE APPROVAL.
- 20 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IS THERE A SECOND?
- DR. BALTIMORE: SECOND.
- 22 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IS THERE BOARD DISCUSSION?
- DR. PIZZO: YES. I HAVE JUST ONE MINIMAL
- QUESTION. AND THAT IS UNDER NO. 4, GIFTS EXCEPTION,
- 25 WHERE IT'S, QUOTE, DE MINIMIS VALUE. DOES THAT HAVE IN

- 1 THE STATE A NUMBER ASSOCIATED WITH IT AS IT DOES IN
- OTHER ENTITIES LIKE \$25 OR \$10? HOW DO WE DEFINE THAT?
- 3 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: YES. I, IN FACT, HAD FOUR
- 4 DISCUSSIONS ON THIS QUESTION. AND JAMES HARRISON,
- 5 WOULD YOU PLEASE ADDRESS THAT ISSUE?
- 6 DR. PIZZO: SORRY TO ASK A DE MINIMIS
- 7 QUESTION.
- 8 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THERE IS ANOTHER STANDARD
- 9 WHICH SPECIFICALLY LAYS OUT FOR GUIDANCE THAT \$50 OR
- 10 LESS OR \$360 A YEAR THAT ARISES IN A DIFFERENT CONTEXT.
- 11 JAMES, WOULD YOU PLEASE ADDRESS IT?
- MR. HARRISON: YES. THERE ARE TWO DIFFERENT
- 13 RULES AT ISSUE HERE. ONE IS THE POLITICAL REFORM ACT
- 14 RULE WHICH LIMITS THE PUBLIC OFFICIALS TO ACCEPTING
- 15 GIFTS FROM A SINGLE SOURCE IN THE AGGRAVATE VALUE OF NO
- 16 MORE THAN \$360 PER YEAR WITH GIFTS AGGREGATING \$50 OR
- 17 MORE HAVING TO BE DISCLOSED. THIS IS A DIFFERENT RULE
- 18 THAT COMES IN A DIFFERENT PROVISION OF THE GOVERNMENT
- 19 CODE THAT DOES NOT ASSIGN A VALUE, BUT MERELY PROHIBITS
- 20 THE ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS WHEN IT CAN BE REASONABLY
- 21 SUBSTANTIATED THAT THE PURPOSE OF MAKING THE GIFT WAS
- TO INFLUENCE THE ACTION OF THE STAFF MEMBER.
- DR. PIZZO: SO IT'S REALLY INFLUENCE.
- 24 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: OKAY. ADDITIONAL BOARD
- 25 COMMENT? PUBLIC COMMENT? SEEING NO PUBLIC COMMENT,

- 1 THERE IS A MOTION ON THE FLOOR. I'D LIKE TO CALL THE
- 2 QUESTION ON THE MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. OPPOSED.
- 3 WELL, I THANK THE BOARD FOR AN IMPORTANT STEP
- 4 FORWARD FOR GIVING CLEAR GUIDANCE ON CONFLICTS
- 5 POSITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES. DOES NOT MEAN THAT THIS IS
- 6 THE TOTAL SUM OF PROVISIONS WE WILL HAVE FOR EMPLOYEES,
- 7 BUT IT MEANS IT'S A MEANINGFUL AND IMPORTANT
- 8 SUBSTANTIVE START TO THIS PROCESS. AND WE WILL BE
- 9 ADDRESSING A NUMBER OF THESE OTHER ISSUES IN PUBLIC
- 10 HEARINGS, INCLUDING ISSUES OF STOCK OWNERSHIP AND OTHER
- 11 CONFLICTS ISSUES IN OUR GENERAL FURTHER DISCUSSION OF
- 12 CONFLICTS.
- 13 SUBPART B IS FURTHER REFINEMENT FOR THE
- 14 BOARD, BUT IT'S ONLY IN A DRAFT POSITION COMING FROM
- 15 COMMENTS MADE AT THE LAST MEETING. THE LAST MEETING
- 16 THERE WERE ONLY PART OF THE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT FOR
- 17 THAT, SO I'D LIKE TO CARRY THIS TO THE NEXT BOARD
- 18 MEETING WHEN THE BOARD HAS A CHANCE TO LOOK AT IT AND
- 19 GIVE COMMENTS.
- 20 AND SO WE WILL GO -- YES. OSWALD STEWARD.
- 21 DR. STEWARD: IN LOOKING THIS OVER, IT IS
- 22 CERTAINLY A VERY COMPLICATED ISSUE. AND WHERE I'M
- 23 GOING IS WHETHER THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT ACTUALLY SHOULD
- 24 BE DEALT WITH, FIRST, PERHAPS BY THE DULY CONSTITUTED
- 25 STANDARDS COMMITTEE WHEN IT IS IN PLACE AND THEN

- 1 BROUGHT BACK TO THE BOARD, RATHER THAN HAVING THE BOARD
- 2 ITSELF STRUGGLE WITH THESE ISSUES RIGHT NOW. I DON'T
- 3 SEE THIS AS BEING A PARTICULARLY TIME CRITICAL
- 4 DISCUSSION, AND THAT WOULD GIVE IT A CHANCE TO BE
- 5 REVIEWED BY A PANEL THAT WAS APPROPRIATELY CONSTITUTED
- 6 TO ACTUALLY DO THAT AND, IN FACT, ASSIGNED WITH THE
- 7 TASK OF DEVELOPING STANDARDS.
- 8 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WHAT'S THE PLEASURE OF THE
- 9 BOARD ON THIS?
- MS. LANSING: I AGREE.
- 11 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THIS IS ITEM B OF THE ITEMS
- 12 THAT WE JUST COVERED. IT'S A DRAFT.
- MR. SERRANO-SEWELL: GOT IT. THANKS.
- 14 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: AND THE QUESTION IS WHETHER
- 15 THE NEXT LAYER OF ISSUES WOULD BE ADDRESSED BY THE
- 16 STANDARDS, ACTUALLY STANDARDS WORKING GROUP. AND DR.
- 17 PIZZO.
- DR. PIZZO: I CAN CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND THE
- 19 RELEVANCE OF THAT. THE ONLY QUESTION THAT I HAVE IS
- 20 REALLY JUST TIME LINE. THE STANDARDS WORKING GROUP,
- 21 I'M SURE, HAS A LOT ON ITS PLATE, AND THEY MAY NOT GET
- 22 TO THIS FOR SOME TIME. AND THIS DOES RELATE TO THE
- 23 ICOC SPECIFICALLY. AND, THEREFORE, I ACTUALLY THINK
- 24 WE'RE BETTER SERVED BY HAVING IT COME DIRECTLY HERE.
- 25 AND I WOULD PREFER THAT WE FOLLOW THE CHAIR'S ORIGINAL

- 1 GUIDANCE AND STUDY THIS AND BRING THIS BACK FOR REVIEW
- 2 IN OUR APRIL MEETING.
- 3 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: MAYBE AS A SUGGESTION AFTER
- 4 THE BOARD MEMBERS HAVE A CHANCE TO STUDY IT, WE CAN
- 5 CONSIDER WHETHER THE BOARD HAS ENOUGH INFORMATION TO
- 6 ACT, OR WHETHER THEY WANT TO ACT AT THE TIME WE ADDRESS
- 7 OTHER CONFLICTS ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED, SUCH AS
- 8 STOCK OWNERSHIP OR OTHER ISSUES, OR DO WE WANT TO MAKE
- 9 INCREMENTAL PROGRESS. WE HAVE AN OPTION OF REFERRING
- 10 IT TO OUR STANDARDS SEARCH COMMITTEE AS AN OPTION, BUT
- 11 WE CAN MAKE THAT DECISION AT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING.
- DR. PIZZO: WE'D HAVE TO HAVE IT ON THE
- 13 AGENDA FOR THE NEXT MEETING, SO AS LONG AS IT'S ON THE
- 14 AGENDA, WE CAN DEAL WITH IT.
- 15 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WOULD THAT BE ACCEPTABLE?
- DR. STEWARD: SURE.
- 17 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IS THAT THE SENSE OF THE
- 18 BOARD? ANY --
- DR. MURPHY: MR. CHAIRMAN, I AGREE WITH THAT
- 20 COMMENT, BUT I THINK THERE ALSO IS SOME VALUE IN
- 21 CONTEMPLATING THE IDEA OF HAVING AN EXTERNAL GROUP LOOK
- 22 AT THIS BECAUSE WE ARE GOING TO BE PUT IN THE POSITION
- 23 OF MAKING RULES FOR OURSELVES. WHILE I HAVE ABSOLUTE
- 24 CONFIDENCE WE CAN DO THAT IN A REASONABLE WAY, I THINK
- 25 THAT TO HAVE AN OUTSIDE GROUP LOOK AT OUR DECISIONS OR

- 1 PERHAPS GUIDE US IN DECISIONS I THINK WOULD BE VERY
- 2 USEFUL.
- 3 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IS THERE AN OUTSIDE GROUP
- 4 YOU WOULD LIKE US TO SEEK COUNSEL FROM; FOR EXAMPLE,
- 5 THE NATIONAL ACADEMIES?
- DR. MURPHY: I THINK THE NATIONAL ACADEMY
- 7 WOULD BE AN IDEAL SOURCE OF OUTSIDE OPINION.
- 8 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: ALL RIGHT. THEN WITH THAT
- 9 DIRECTION, LET ME START, AT LEAST, BY CONTACTING THE
- 10 NATIONAL ACADEMIES AND GETTING INPUT THERE THAT WE CAN
- 11 CONSIDER. AND THEN IF THE BOARD AT THE NEXT MEETING
- 12 FINDS THAT THERE'S ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PERHAPS ZACH
- 13 HALL CAN BE HELPFUL IN IDENTIFYING OTHER PROFESSIONAL
- 14 ASSOCIATIONS IN THE INTERIM AS WELL THAT COULD BE
- 15 HELPFUL IN PROVIDING GUIDANCE HERE. I THINK IT'S AN
- 16 EXCELLENT IDEA THAT WE BENCHMARK OURSELVES ON OTHER
- 17 OUTSTANDING GROUPS IN THE COUNTRY THAT HAVE VERY HIGH
- 18 STANDARDS.
- 19 DR. PIZZO: JUST A MODIFICATION OF THIS AND
- 20 TO MAKE IT MORE SPECIFIC, AND HE CAN DELEGATE, IF
- 21 NECESSARY, BUT I WOULD GO DIRECTLY TO BRUCE ALBERTS ON
- 22 THIS BECAUSE OF THE RECENT ROLE THAT HE'S PLAYED IN
- 23 THIS WHOLE CONFLICTS. HE'S THE PRESIDENT OF THE
- 24 NATIONAL ACADEMY AT LEAST THROUGH, I THINK IT'S, JUNE
- 25 OR SOMETHING. SO I'D JUST START THERE AND LET HIM GIVE

- 1 YOU --
- DR. BALTIMORE: POSSIBLY THROUGH APRIL, WHICH
- 3 IS WHEN THE ANNUAL MEETING IS.
- 4 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WE'LL ADDRESS HIM
- 5 IMMEDIATELY IN THAT CASE. ALL RIGHT. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 6 ON THIS ITEM. MR. HALPERN.
- 7 MR. HALPERN: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. THERE
- 8 WAS A LOT OF COMMITMENT TO OPEN PROCESS EXPRESSED
- 9 EARLIER. I WANT TO SUGGEST THAT THIS 10 B ITEM IS ONE
- 10 THAT'S PECULIARLY APPROPRIATE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. AND
- 11 I URGE YOU TO TAKE THIS DRAFT 10 B AND PUT IT ON YOUR
- 12 WEBSITE AND CIRCULATE IT WIDELY AND MAKE SURE THAT
- 13 THERE'S AN OPPORTUNITY FOR REAL PUBLIC INPUT ON THIS
- 14 BECAUSE THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST ISSUES, AS IT APPLIES
- 15 TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ICOC, ARE THINGS WHICH HAVE
- 16 HELPED TO UNDERMINE THE PUBLIC CREDIBILITY OF THIS
- 17 BODY. AND TO HAVE THAT KIND OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN
- 18 THAT WAY IS A VERY GOOD WAY, I THINK, TO DEAL WITH THAT
- 19 PROBLEM.
- 20 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WELL, MR. HALPERN, I'M GLAD
- 21 THAT YOU AGREE WITH WHAT WE'VE DONE BECAUSE IT IS ON
- 22 THE WEBSITE. AS A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC, DOCUMENTS IN
- 23 THIS MEETING AND CERTAINLY THE NATIONAL ACADEMIES'
- 24 INPUT WILL BE PUT ON THE WEBSITE AS WELL AS PART OF THE
- 25 CONTRIBUTION TO THE PUBLIC'S INFORMATION ON THIS ITEM.

- 1 OKAY.
- 2 I DON'T THINK I NEED A MOTION ON THIS. THIS
- 3 IS INFORMATIVE TO THE STAFF AS TO HOW TO PROCEED.
- 4 IF WE CAN GO -- WE NEED A SECOND EXECUTIVE
- 5 SESSION DEALING WITH LITIGATION. I'M INSTRUCTED BY
- 6 COUNSEL IT'S IMPORTANT THAT I PROPERLY READ THE
- 7 REFERENCE TO THE LITIGATION IN ANNOUNCING THAT SESSION.
- 8 IT'S ITEM 16, STAFF TELLS ME. THERE'S A
- 9 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WHAT THE TWO GROUPS ARE DISCUSSING.
- 10 ONE IS WHAT ITEM IS IT IN THIS BOOK AND WHAT ITEM IS IT
- 11 IN YOUR TABS? IT IS TAB 8.
- 12 THE ICOC WILL CONDUCT A CLOSED SESSION TO
- 13 CONSIDER TWO PIECES OF LITIGATION FILED ON 2/23/05 AND
- 14 2/24/05 RESPECTIVELY. PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE VS.
- 15 INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, CALIFORNIA
- 16 SUPREME COURT NO. S131655, AND CALIFORNIANS FOR PUBLIC
- 17 ACCOUNTABILITY AND ETHICAL SCIENCE VS. CALIFORNIA
- 18 INSTITUTE FOR REGENERATIVE MEDICINE, CALIFORNIA SUPREME
- 19 COURT NO. S131677. I COULDN'T MEMORIZE THAT. SO WE
- 20 WILL GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONSIDER THOSE ITEMS.
- 21 I THANK THE PUBLIC FOR THEIR UNDERSTANDING. IF THE
- 22 PUBLIC COULD ADJOURN FROM THE ROOM SO THAT WE CAN
- 23 ADVANCE THE MEETING WITH THAT CONSIDERATION.
- 24 (THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED TO
- 25 EXECUTIVE SESSION, NOT REPORTED NOR HEREIN TRANSCRIBED.

- 1 THE MEETING THEN RETURNED TO PUBLIC SESSION AT 05:17
- 2 P.M AS FOLLOWS:)
- 3 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- 4 WE'RE GOING TO PICK UP AGENDA ITEM 12, AND WHAT TAB IS
- 5 IT? WE'RE GOING TO -- ED PENHOET IS GOING TO ADDRESS
- 6 THIS ITEM FOR ED HOLMES. THE PURPOSE OF THIS
- 7 DISCUSSION ON THE GRANT ITEM IS THAT THIS IS A
- 8 CONTINUED ITEM FROM THE LAST SESSION. WE INTEND TO
- 9 HAVE A VERY FULL DEBATE ON THE GRANT PROGRAM. WE
- 10 INTEND TO HAVE A VERY FULL DEBATE ON THE GRANT PROGRAM
- 11 AND HOPEFULLY WITH OUR INTERIM PRESIDENT. WE WILL HAVE
- 12 GREAT LEADERSHIP IN SHAPING THAT DEBATE AND THE
- 13 SCIENTIFIC MEMBERSHIP THAT CAN ASSIST US IN LEADING US
- 14 IN THAT DISCUSSION.
- 15 I THINK THE QUESTION AT HAND IS WHETHER PRIOR
- 16 TO THE NEXT MEETING WE CAN DO SOME RESEARCH FOR THE
- 17 BOARD TO BRING BACK MATERIALS AT THE NEXT MEETING THAT
- 18 WOULD BE A PART OF THAT. AND IT'S AN INFORMATIONAL
- 19 ITEM SINCE IT WAS CONTINUED FROM THE LAST MEETING TO
- 20 JUST INDICATE THE RESEARCH AND SEE IF IT'S THE SENSE OF
- 21 THE COMMITTEE THAT WE DO RESEARCH TO BRING BACK FOR
- 22 YOUR CONSIDERATION.
- 23 ED, WOULD YOU LIKE TO REPORT FOR THE GRANT
- 24 COMMITTEE.
- 25 DR. PENHOET: I WILL. SO I'M SPEAKING FOR ED

- 1 HOLMES, WHO HAS LEFT. SO WE'RE NOW SWITCHING THE ORDER
- 2 OF 12 AND 13, SO THIS IS A REPORT FROM ED HOLMES --
- 3 THIS IS A REPORT FROM ED HOLMES, WHO IS THE CHAIR OF
- 4 THE GRANTS SUBCOMMITTEE.
- 5 ED'S COMMENT IS THIS SUBCOMMITTEE HAS NOT MET
- 6 SINCE THE BOARD MET AS A WHOLE ON FEBRUARY 3D. DESPITE
- 7 A CONCERTED EFFORT, WE WERE UNABLE TO SCHEDULE A DATE
- 8 ON WHICH A QUORUM OF SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS WERE ABLE TO
- 9 MEET IN THE INTERIM PERIOD SINCE THE LAST ICOC MEETING.
- 10 HOWEVER, SINCE FEBRUARY 3D CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS HAS
- 11 BEEN MADE IN CARRYING OUT THE APPROVED DESIGN FOR
- 12 POPULATING THE GRANTS WORKING GROUP WITH SCIENTIFIC
- 13 MEMBERS.
- 14 FEBRUARY 14, 2005, WAS THE DEADLINE FOR
- 15 SUBMITTING NOMINATIONS TO THE GRANT WORKING GROUP
- 16 SEARCH SUBCOMMITTEE. THIS COMMITTEE CURRENTLY HAS A
- 17 BROAD DATABASE OF OVER 660 POTENTIAL CANDIDATES
- 18 GENERATED FROM A VARIETY OF SOURCES, AND I MIGHT ADD,
- 19 INCLUDING A NUMBER OF PEOPLE ON THIS BOARD. THESE
- 20 NAMES HAVE BEEN EVENLY DIVIDED AMONG THE SIX TWO-PERSON
- 21 INTERVIEW TEAMS OF THIS SUBCOMMITTEE AND WILL BE
- 22 DISTRIBUTED TO THOSE TEAMS BY THE END OF THIS WEEK, THE
- 23 CURRENT WEEK.
- 24 THE INTERVIEW TEAMS WILL BE EXPECTED TO
- 25 COMPLETE THE INTERVIEW PROCESS WITHIN SIX WEEKS OF

- 1 RECEIVING THE NAMES OF THE CANDIDATES, WHICH BRINGS US
- 2 TO APRIL 18TH, FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES. INTERVIEW
- 3 TEAMS WILL RECEIVE THE PACKET THAT WILL INCLUDE
- 4 INTERVIEW GUIDANCE AS WELL AS CIRM STAFF CONTACT
- 5 INFORMATION FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS THAT MAY
- 6 ARISE IN THE COURSE OF INTERVIEWING THE CANDIDATES.
- 7 AT THIS POINT, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE
- 8 STAFF FOR A MARVELOUS JOB IN ASSEMBLING ESSENTIALLY A
- 9 VERY NICE DOSSIER ON MORE THAN 600 PEOPLE.
- 10 THE NEXT SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING IS SCHEDULED
- 11 FOR MARCH 18, 2005. I'D LIKE TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION
- 12 TO THE BOARD THAT THE GRANTS WORKING GROUP SEARCH
- 13 SUBCOMMITTEE BE EMPOWERED TO CONVENE AS A GROUP ON THIS
- 14 DATE, MARCH 18TH, TO DISCUSS THE TYPES OF GRANTS WHICH
- 15 WILL BE CONSIDERED IN THE FIRST GRANT FUNDING CYCLE FOR
- 16 THE PURPOSE OF MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD. IF
- 17 THE BOARD ENDORSES THIS PROPOSAL, THE MARCH 18TH
- 18 MEETING WOULD BE LARGELY DEVOTED TO A DISCUSSION OF THE
- 19 TYPES OF GRANTS IN ADDITION TO PROGRESS REPORTS BY THE
- 20 INTERVIEW TEAMS.
- 21 SO SPECIFIC PROPOSAL IS THAT YOU AUTHORIZE
- 22 THE GRANTS WORKING GROUP TO HAVE THE MEETING ON THE
- 23 18TH LARGELY DEVOTED TO THE DISCUSSION OF THE KINDS OF
- 24 GRANTS THAT WE SHOULD THINK ABOUT GIVING IN THE FIRST
- 25 PLACE. THAT'S ED HOLMES' SPECIFIC PROPOSAL TO THIS

- 1 GROUP.
- 2 AT THAT POINT, I GUESS WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE
- 3 SOME COMMENT.
- 4 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: I'D LIKE TO INDICATE THAT
- 5 THE FIRST ROUND ARE OPERATIVE WORDS HERE. WE'RE NOT
- 6 TALKING -- IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT, WITH THE HELP OF
- 7 THE NEW INTERIM PRESIDENT, THAT WE BEGIN TO CREATE A
- 8 PROCESS TO GET A STRATEGIC PLAN IN PLACE THAT LOOKS AT
- 9 OUR LONG-TERM PROGRAM; BUT IN THE FIRST ROUND, IT HAS
- 10 BEEN RAISED WHETHER IT IS APPROPRIATE TO LOOK AT
- 11 LEAD-TIME GRANTS SPECIFICALLY. THE ISSUE IS SEED MONEY
- 12 GRANTS, FOR EXAMPLE, WHICH MAY BE IMPORTANT TO ALLOW
- 13 INSTITUTIONS TO HAVE THEIR RESEARCHERS PROPERLY OBSERVE
- 14 METICULOUSLY ALL OF THE NIH RULES AND SEGREGATE COSTS
- 15 PROPERLY AND HAVE THESE RESEARCHERS HAVE THE FUNDING TO
- 16 GET THEIR PRELIMINARY DATA. BUT THOSE AND OTHER ISSUES
- 17 THAT MAY HAVE A TIME SENSITIVITY OR BE LEAD-TIME, HAVE
- 18 A LEAD-TIME IMPORTANCE, COULD BE AN ITEM APPROPRIATE
- 19 FOR AN INITIAL ROUND ALONG WITH OTHERS.
- 20 NOW, IN THAT REGARD, SEPARATE FROM RESEARCH
- 21 GRANTS, I'D LIKE TO ASK ED PENHOET. THE ISSUE HAS BEEN
- 22 DISCUSSED AND WAS ADDRESSED BY ALTA CHARO LAST NIGHT
- 23 AND TODAY THAT BECAUSE OF THE INSTABILITY IN STANDARDS
- 24 IN THIS COUNTRY AND FUNDING, THE PIPELINE IS
- 25 ESSENTIALLY EMPTY ON THE INTELLECTUAL INFRASTRUCTURE,

- 1 THE NEW POSTDOCTORATE FELLOWS, AND POSTDOCTORAL
- 2 CLINICIANS AND GRADUATE STUDENTS WHO WOULD MAN THIS
- 3 AREA AND BE DRIVING THE HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTED TO
- 4 THIS RESEARCH IN THESE LABS. MANY OF THE BEST MINDS IN
- 5 THE COUNTRY ARE TREMENDOUSLY ENCOURAGED BY US PASSING
- 6 THIS INITIATIVE, BUT THERE'S NO FUNDING MECHANISM TO
- 7 GET THIS INTELLECTUAL INFRASTRUCTURE IN PLACE.
- 8 AND I'D LIKE, ED PENHOET, IF YOU CAN DISCUSS
- 9 THE ISSUE ABOUT RESEARCHING AND BRINGING BACK TO THIS
- 10 BOARD A PROPOSAL FOR THE NEXT MEETING THAT DISCUSSES
- 11 FOR FULL DEBATE AT THAT TIME, NOW NOT, BUT FULL DEBATE
- 12 AT THAT TIME WHETHER WE CAN DO SOMETHING MEANINGFUL
- 13 WITH INTELLECTUAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRAINING CONTRACTS,
- 14 WHERE THESE WOULD BE CONTRACTS WITH THE UNIVERSITIES
- 15 AND NONPROFIT INSTITUTIONS THAT HAVE POSTDOCTORATE
- 16 FELLOWS, AND WHAT PROCESS WE WOULD DO TO HAVE PEER
- 17 REVIEW OF ANY PROPOSALS FOR THESE CONTRACTS.
- DR. PENHOET: SO AGAIN, THIS IS A SECOND
- 19 PROPOSAL SIMPLY TO GAIN YOUR AUTHORITY FOR US
- 20 INTERNALLY AS STAFF WORK TO DEVELOP A PROPOSAL
- 21 SPECIFICALLY FOR THE TRAINING, A TRAINING PROGRAM. SC
- 22 THIS WOULD -- OUR DESIRE WOULD BE TO FUND THE TRAINING
- 23 OF ESSENTIALLY THE YOUNG INTELLECTUALS THAT ARE GOING
- 24 TO BE REQUIRED TO CARRY OUT THIS WORK ON AN ACCELERATED
- 25 BASIS.

- 1 AND WHAT WE ESSENTIALLY SEEK TO DO IS, FIRST
- OF ALL, TO HAVE CONVERSATIONS WITH A NUMBER OF
- 3 POTENTIAL GRANTEES TO UNDERSTAND THEIR TRAINING
- 4 INTEREST. OUR VIEW IS THAT TRAINING SHOULD INCLUDE
- 5 MINIMALLY CLASSROOM AND EXPERIMENTAL COURSES AS WELL AS
- 6 RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AND THAT THE TRAINING PROGRAMS MUST
- 7 HAVE COURSES IN SOCIAL, LEGAL, AND ETHICAL IMPLICATIONS
- 8 OF STEM CELL RESEARCH. WE SEE THE TRAINING IMPERATIVE
- 9 AS A BROAD IMPERATIVE. AND I THINK THE NEED TO
- 10 ACCELERATE TRAINING IS OBVIOUS IF WE'RE GOING TO
- 11 EFFECTIVELY UTILIZE GRANT FUNDS LATER ON. WE NEED
- 12 TRAINED PEOPLE THAT ARE CAPABLE OF CARRYING OUT THE
- 13 WORK THAT WE SEEK TO FUND IN TERMS OF GRANT FUNDING
- 14 GOING FORWARD.
- 15 SO IN ADDITION TO THE WORK OF THE GRANTS
- 16 WORKING SUBCOMMITTEE, WE WOULD LIKE YOUR CONCURRENCE,
- 17 LED BY ZACH HALL, NEW CIRM PRESIDENT, THAT WE DEVELOP A
- 18 PROPOSAL FOR YOU IN THE APRIL BOARD MEETING WHICH WOULD
- 19 SEEK TO ENHANCE, ADD TO, ACCELERATE THE FUNDING OF
- 20 TRAINING WITHIN THE STATE, AND WE BELIEVE THAT THAT
- 21 TRAINING COULD BE ADEQUATELY DONE ACTUALLY THROUGH A
- 22 CONTRACT MECHANISM RATHER THAN A GRANT MECHANISM; THAT
- 23 IS, THEY'D BE PERFORMING A SERVICE FOR CIRM BY TRAINING
- 24 PEOPLE IN THIS FIELD AND THAT, OF COURSE, WE WOULD SET
- 25 UP A PEER REVIEW PROCESS FOR THIS, TAKING NAMES THAT

- 1 HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO US BY A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT
- 2 SOURCES AS PEOPLE WHO WOULD BE SKILLED IN EVALUATING
- 3 TRAINING PROPOSALS.
- 4 SO ESSENTIALLY WE HAVE TWO PROPOSALS IN FRONT
- 5 OF YOU. ONE IS TO SEEK YOUR AGREEMENT THAT THE NEXT
- 6 SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING OF THE GRANTS WORKING GROUP COULD
- 7 BE DEVOTED TO THE BROADER ISSUE OF THE EARLY GRANTS,
- 8 FIRST WAVE OF GRANTS, IF YOU WILL, THAT ARE RESEARCH
- 9 GRANTS. AND THAT SEPARATELY FROM THAT, THE STAFF OF
- 10 THE CIRM LED BY ZACH HALL WOULD DEVELOP A PROPOSAL TO
- 11 BRING TO YOU ALSO IN THE APRIL BOARD MEETING WHICH
- 12 WOULD BE SPECIFICALLY DEVOTED TO TRAINING. AND IT'S
- 13 LIKELY TO HAVE CHARACTERISTICS OF A CONTRACT BEING
- 14 PERFORMED FOR CIRM RATHER THAN A TYPICAL GRANT.
- 15 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: BUT IN MAKING IT VERY CLEAR,
- 16 WE'RE NOT ASKING FOR APPROVAL OF ANY PROGRAM.
- DR. PENHOET: NEITHER ONE.
- 18 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WE'RE NOT ASKING THAT THE
- 19 INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM BE APPROVED OR ANYTHING THAT
- 20 WOULD GO ON THE GRANT COMMITTEE BE APPROVED. WE'RE
- 21 ASKING FOR A PRIORITIZATION OF TIME TO DO RESEARCH TO
- 22 BRING BACK ITEMS TO BE FULLY DEBATED DE NOVO BEFORE
- 23 THIS BOARD SO THAT WE CAN GET THE RESOURCES. AND I
- 24 THINK IT'S VERY HELPFUL THAT INTERIM PRESIDENT IS ON
- 25 BOARD NOW THAT CAN HELP LEAD US THROUGH THIS PROCESS.

- 1 AND, ZACH, ON THE TRAINING PROGRAM, DO YOU
- 2 FEEL IT'S APPROPRIATE THAT BY THE NEXT BOARD MEETING
- 3 YOU COULD BRING BACK A CONCEPTUAL DESIGN?
- 4 DR. HALL: YES.
- 5 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: TIME BEING WHAT IT IS --
- DR. POMEROY: BOB, I HAVE A QUESTION. I
- 7 THINK THIS RAISES AN ISSUE. I'M VERY EXCITED THAT WE
- 8 ARE MOVING ON WITH THE PROCESS OF DEFINING THE FIRST
- 9 ROUND OF GRANTS. THAT'S GREAT. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE ALL
- 10 HERE FOR. BUT THE GROUP KEEPS BEING REFERRED TO AS THE
- 11 GRANTS WORKING GROUP. NOW, IT'S A SEARCH COMMITTEE.
- 12 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: SEARCH COMMITTEE.
- 13 DR. POMEROY: I THINK IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR
- 14 ME IF WE COULD DEFINE WHAT THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF A
- 15 SEARCH COMMITTEE ARE VERSUS A POLICY MAKING COMMITTEE
- 16 BECAUSE IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THE SEARCH COMMITTEE IS
- 17 KIND OF TAKING ON THE ROLE OF A POLICY MAKING COMMITTEE
- 18 ABOUT GRANTS. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT WAS AN INTERIM
- 19 THING WHEN THERE WAS SORT OF THIS GAP; BUT WHEN IS THIS
- 20 GOING TO TRANSITION? AND HOW IS IT GOING TO TRANSITION
- 21 FROM BEING A SEARCH -- PRESUMABLY THE SEARCH COMMITTEE
- 22 WILL END WHEN THE PEOPLE ARE APPOINTED TO THE WORKING
- 23 GROUP.
- DR. PRECIADO: WE ARE AT 5:30 AND I FEEL
- 25 REALLY RUSHED. WE HAVE DR. BRYANT HERE READY TO LEAVE.

- 1 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THE IMPORTANCE HERE, DR.
- 2 PRECIADO, IS THAT WHAT WE'RE DISCUSSING HERE ARE NOT
- 3 ACTION ITEMS TO CREATE PROGRAMS. WE'RE JUST TRYING TO
- 4 PRIORITIZE TIME TO DO RESEARCH TO BRING YOU ITEMS TO BE
- 5 FULLY DEBATED. WE'RE NOT ASKING ANYONE TO APPROVE ANY
- 6 PROGRAMS. AND THE ITEM THAT DR. CLAIRE POMEROY IS
- 7 RAISING IS SOMETHING THAT WE SHOULD PUT ON THE AGENDA
- 8 TO DEAL WITH WITH FULL DISCUSSION. BUT WHAT WE ARE
- 9 ASKING, DR. PRECIADO, IS JUST A SENSE OF THE BOARD THAT
- 10 IT'S CORRECT TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE RESEARCH SO THAT
- 11 THE BOARD THEN HAS MATERIAL INFORMATION BEFORE IT WHEN
- 12 WE THEN TRY AND DEBATE THESE ITEMS BECAUSE WITHOUT
- 13 PROPER PREPARATION, IT'S DIFFICULT FOR THE BOARD TO
- 14 HAVE A MEANINGFUL DISCUSSION.
- DR. REED: DOES THIS REQUIRE A MOTION TO
- APPROVE THIS USE OF THE STAFF'S TIME?
- 17 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WELL, IT'S A MOTION SENSE OF
- 18 THE BOARD. WE'RE NOT APPROVING ANYTHING, BUT A SENSE
- 19 OF THE BOARD THAT THIS IS BY DIRECTION, THAT THIS IS A
- 20 PROPER USE OF OUR TIME.
- MS. LANSING: WE AGREE THAT THIS IS WHAT THE
- 22 COMMITTEE SHOULD BE DOING.
- DR. BRYANT: SO MOVED.
- DR. PRIETO: SECOND. DOES THIS REQUIRE A
- MOTION OR IS THIS MERELY SENSE OF THE BOARD?

- 1 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WE CAN DO IT AS A SENSE OF
- THE BOARD. THAT'S FINE.
- 3 DR. PENHOET: WE'RE NOT DELEGATING ANY
- 4 AUTHORITY TO THE GRANTS WORKING GROUP.
- 5 DR. PRIETO: MY UNDERSTANDING IS WE'RE NOT --
- 6 THIS IS NOT AUTHORIZING ACTION. YOU'RE ESSENTIALLY
- 7 SURVEYING WHAT'S OUT THERE, BRINGING INFORMATION BACK
- 8 TO THE BOARD, PREPARING IT FOR US IN A FORM THAT WE CAN
- 9 USE.
- 10 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: EXACTLY.
- 11 DR. PENHOET: IN A PUBLIC MEETING ON MARCH
- 12 18TH WHERE THE PUBLIC WILL BE ALSO INVITED TO
- 13 PARTICIPATE.
- 14 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: AND IT'S USEFUL IN THIS TO
- 15 EXPLAIN TO THE PUBLIC THE PROCESS BECAUSE THEN THE
- 16 PUBLIC CAN GO TO THE COMMITTEE MEETING KNOWING WHAT TO
- 17 EXPECT. SO WE'RE TRYING TO GET THE INFORMATION OUT
- 18 THERE TO THE PUBLIC AND TO THE BOARD.
- 19 MR. SERRANO-SEWELL: BOB, I DON'T WANT TO
- 20 DWELL ON THE POINT. I SUPPORT THE CHAIRMAN'S EFFORTS.
- 21 I THINK THIS IS A PROPER, PRUDENT WAY TO GO,
- 22 ABSOLUTELY, HUNDRED PERCENT, BUT LET'S DO RECOGNIZE
- 23 THAT THE GRANTS WORKING SEARCH GROUP, AS DR. POMEROY
- 24 HAS NOTED, THEIR DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY, AS I
- 25 UNDERSTAND IT, HAS SOMEWHAT EXPANDED. WE HAD THE

- 1 CHICKEN AND EGG CONVERSATION AT OUR LAST MEETING, BUT
- 2 LET'S DO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THEY ARE GETTING INTO
- 3 RESEARCHING AND MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS ON FIRST-CYCLE
- 4 GRANTS AND WHATNOT. AND IT'S NOT JUST RECOMMENDATIONS
- 5 TO POPULATE THE MEMBERSHIP. IT'S ALSO --
- 6 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: IT WAS RAISED --
- 7 MR. SERRANO-SEWELL: -- OTHER ISSUES AS
- 8 OUTLINED BY ED.
- 9 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WHAT IS APPROPRIATE HERE TOO
- 10 IS THAT THE SEARCH COMMITTEE, IN TRYING TO RECRUIT
- 11 MEMBERS, THE GRANT SEARCH COMMITTEE, HAS BEEN PUT WITH
- 12 THE TASK OF TRYING TO EXPLAIN TO THE MEMBERS IT'S
- 13 RECRUITING WHAT KIND OF GRANTS THEY WOULD BE LOOKING
- 14 AT. SO WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO DISCUSS THAT AT THE NEXT
- 15 MEETING AND CREATE SOME GUIDANCE TO THAT SEARCH
- 16 COMMITTEE AND DEFINE THE POLICY MAKING ROLE SEPARATE
- 17 FROM THE RECRUITING ROLE, BUT GIVE THEM ADEQUATE
- 18 DIRECTION SO THEY CAN PROPERLY RECRUIT. DR. PRIETO.
- DR. PRIETO: I DO THINK WE HAVE A LITTLE BIT
- 20 OF A CHICKEN AND EGG PROBLEM HERE, BUT I THINK IT'S
- 21 IMPORTANT THAT WE FUNDAMENTALLY CONSIDER THESE SEARCH
- 22 COMMITTEES AS SEARCH COMMITTEES, AND THAT WE'RE PUTTING
- 23 THE WORKING GROUPS IN PLACE TO DO THE ONGOING WORK.
- 24 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: WE UNDERSTAND THAT.
- 25 DR. STEWARD: IT SEEMS TO ME THAT WHAT YOU'RE

- 1 REALLY SUGGESTING IS THAT THE CIRM UNDER ZACH'S
- 2 GUIDANCE PUT THESE PROPOSALS TOGETHER AND SEEK OUT THIS
- 3 INFORMATION, NOT THE SEARCH COMMITTEE, WITH PERHAPS THE
- 4 SEARCH COMMITTEE'S HELP. AM I MISUNDERSTANDING THAT?
- 5 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THERE'S TWO DIFFERENT
- 6 FUNCTIONS. THE TRAINING PROGRAM, WE'RE ASKING ZACH TO
- 7 BRING THAT BACK WITH RECOMMENDATIONS. ON THE OTHER
- 8 PROGRAMS, THE GRANT COMMITTEE IS PROPOSING TO DISCUSS
- 9 THIS ISSUE AND BRING BACK TO THE BOARD INFORMATION
- 10 RELATED TO LEAD-TIME ISSUES THAT ARE TIME SENSITIVE.
- 11 DR. POMEROY: SO JUST ONE FINAL TIME MAKE THE
- 12 POINT, AND THEN I REALLY WILL STOP. WE NEED TO QUIT
- 13 CALLING IT THE GRANT COMMITTEE. WE NEED TO CALL IT THE
- 14 GRANTS WORKING GROUP SEARCH COMMITTEE. IT'S A SEARCH
- 15 COMMITTEE.
- 16 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: POINT WELL TAKEN. AND IT'S
- 17 VERY HELPFUL, AS TIME GOES ON, AND WE'RE ALL TIRED, TO
- 18 HELP BECAUSE IT BENEFITS THE PUBLIC AS WELL TO KEEP
- 19 CORRECTING USE OF THE TERMS.
- ONE MOMENT.
- MR. HALPERN: DR. PENHOET RECOGNIZED ME. I'M
- SORRY, MR. CHAIRMAN.
- DR. PENHOET: SORRY ABOUT THAT.
- 24 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: GO AHEAD.
- MR. HALPERN: DO WE HAVE A CONSENSUS THEN

- 1 THAT I MAY SPEAK?
- 2 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: YES.
- 3 MR. HALPERN: THANK YOU. I WANT TO MAKE FOUR
- 4 BRIEF POINTS. THE FIRST ONE IS DR. LEE AND I HAVE
- 5 SUGGESTED IN OUR PETITION THAT THERE BE NO GRANTS MADE
- 6 UNTIL THE GUIDELINES ARE IN PLACE AND UNTIL POTENTIAL
- 7 APPLICANTS HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY, ARE GIVEN SUFFICIENT
- 8 TIME SO THEY CAN FORMULATE THEIR PLANS. THAT'S NOT A
- 9 FEW WEEKS FOR A COMPLEX PROPOSAL. OTHERWISE, WE'RE
- 10 CONCERNED THAT THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE THE CHAIRS AROUND
- 11 THIS TABLE AND THE INSTITUTIONS THEY REPRESENT MAY HAVE
- 12 AN UNFAIR ADVANTAGE OVER OTHER PEOPLE WHO ARE LESS
- 13 ABLE.
- 14 SECOND, THE STRATEGIC PLAN SHOULD PRECEDE THE
- 15 DEVELOPMENT EVEN OF STRATEGIES FOR FIRST-ROUND GRANTS.
- 16 FIRST, YOU HAVE TO MAKE THE JUDGMENT. I THINK I HAVE
- 17 90 SECONDS LEFT, MR. CHAIR. EVEN THE FIRST-ROUND
- 18 GRANTS YOU WANT TO FIT INTO AN OVERALL STRATEGY. WHY
- 19 TRAINING GRANTS? AND HOW MUCH SHOULD IT BE? \$20
- 20 MILLION? \$10 MILLION? THOSE OF US WHO THINK OF THOSE
- 21 SUMS AS BEING ENORMOUS SUMS WANT TO KNOW THAT THE
- 22 PARTICULAR AMOUNT FITS INTO AN OVERALL LONG-TERM
- 23 STRATEGY. THANK YOU.
- 24 CHAIRMAN KLEIN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND I
- 25 WELCOME YOU, MR. HALPERN, TO THE FULL DISCUSSION OF

- 1 THAT ITEM BECAUSE WE HAVE FULL PUBLIC DEBATE ON THAT
- 2 ITEM WHEN IT IS BROUGHT BACK TO THE BOARD. WE'RE
- 3 MERELY GETTING RESEARCH SO THAT WE CAN DISCUSS IT
- 4 MEANINGFULLY WITH SUBSTANCE. AND WE JUST APPRECIATE --
- 5 PLEASE APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT BY TRYING TO TELL THE
- 6 PUBLIC WHAT DIRECTION WE'RE TRYING TO DO RESEARCH,
- 7 WE'RE TRYING TO GIVE THE PUBLIC SOME LEAD-TIME SO THAT
- 8 THEY CAN BE PREPARED FOR THESE SESSIONS AND KNOW WHAT
- 9 THE SUBJECT MATTER MIGHT BE SO THEY CAN BE MORE
- 10 MEANINGFUL IN SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION OF THESE SUBJECTS.
- 11 I THINK THAT WE HAVE GONE THROUGH THE AGENDA
- 12 IN A REMARKABLY CREATIVE WAY. WE APPRECIATE THE
- 13 COMMENTS. AND I WOULD SAY THAT WE ARE MEETING WITH A
- 14 NUMBER OF THE DIFFERENT -- WITH SOME OF THE GROUPS THAT
- 15 HAVE BEEN ENUMERATED IN THE PETITION. WE'RE HAPPY TO
- 16 MEET WITH INDIVIDUALS AND DISCUSS CONCEPTS. I'VE MET
- 17 WITH MR. HALPERN. I'VE MET WITH THE GREEN LINE
- 18 INSTITUTE. IN FACT, WE'RE WORKING WITH THEM ON SOME
- 19 IDEAS, AND WE'RE HAPPY TO MEET WITH INDIVIDUAL
- ORGANIZATIONS. BUT THE PUBLIC IS THE PUBLIC AT LARGE,
- 21 AND THE PUBLIC AT LARGE IS WITH WHOM WE NEED TO
- 22 INTERCHANGE -- HAVE INTERCHANGES IN THE PUBLIC DEBATE
- 23 OF THESE VERY IMPORTANT SUBJECTS THAT ARE IN THESE
- 24 PETITIONS.
- 25 AND I WILL SAY THAT IN THIS DISCUSSION THAT

2	ARE GROUPS THAT CAN BE PUT TOGETHER THAT MIGHT HAVE
3	DIVERSE OPINIONS, BOTH FOR AND AGAINST A POSITION,
4	MIGHT CONVENE VARIOUS GROUPS TO GET A DISCUSSION OF
5	TOPICS THAT WOULD HELP BUILD AN UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT
6	THE ISSUES ARE ON BOTH SIDES BEFORE BRINGING IT OUT FOR
7	PUBLIC DEBATE. BUT WE'RE GOING TO TRY AND MOVE FORWARD
8	WITH AS MUCH PUBLIC DEBATE AS POSSIBLE. I THANK THE
9	PUBLIC, I THANK THE BOARD MEMBERS. THE MEETING STANDS
10	ADJOURNED.
11	(THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED AT 05:37
12	P.M.)
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1 WE CAN AS WELL UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE THERE