

**Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee Meeting  
Minutes**

**3:00pm, June 2, 2022  
Remote via Zoom**

**Voting Members Present:** Chair; M-1; NA-2; NS-1; S-5; S-7; S-9; V-1; V-2; V-3

**Alternate Members Present:** M-A-2; S-A-1; S-A-2; S-A-3; S-A-6; S-A-10; V-A-3

**Voting Members Absent:** NA-1; S-1; S-2; S-3; S-4; S-6; S-8

**Visitors Present:** A-1; IACUC Specialist 1; IACUC Specialist 2; Research Quality Assurance Officer; Assistant Vice President, Regulatory Affairs/Safety  
~ arrived after rollcall

**Meeting was brought to order at 3:01 PM and quorum confirmed with 10 of 17 members present.**

**Introductions & Announcements:**

- **Next Meeting**

**Business**

- **Follow up for 16-209 non-compliance. Of note:**
  - PI and staff have completed training
    - Any staff that has not completed training have been removed from the protocol.
  - SOPs are still pending but are needed as soon as possible.
    - There should be a distinction between user protocols and core protocol SOPs.
    - Committee is requesting an SOP that covers the daily level of responsibility and how they will ensure the animal welfare.
  - Sub-committee of a few members will be put into place to assist with reviewing submitted SOPs
- **20-617\* was discussed. Of note:**
  - 3 mortality events occurred week of 5/22 ( 1 BBB and 2 MFT), AV temporarily halted work with all bats, pending review from committee.
    - Necropsy was performed but was deemed inconclusive
    - This lab has lost 9 MFT and 3 BB bats since august 2021
  - Additional steps taken to ensure animal welfare include:
    - All PI staff has been re-trained by vet staff, revised other monitoring factors, and vet staff will be present weekly to do a body/ health assessment.
  - PI would like to continue behavior with BBB that were already trained in the past year, as well as perform the surgical procedures in MFT, which is higher risk.
  - PI set up a new, larger flight cage where MFT bats were re-introduced into one big group.
  - AZGF has indicated wild-caught MFT can be re-released in the evenings, during any season except winter.
  - IO had requested a committee of ~8, including internal and external experts, to make recommendations regarding the remaining animals and the future of the protocol.
  - **Current approved actions:**

- Ok to re-start behavioral experiments with BBB but hold off on MFT while committee gathers more information.
- External PIs and IACUCs are being identified and will be contacted to request assistance and review of protocol PI's housing, husbandry, and etc, and provide additional guidance specific to MFT bats' needs and challenges
- Target for initial meeting to be week of 6/5, with initial report to IACUC at 6/13 meeting, and follow up provided to IO
- 4 attendees were identified to serve as internal experts

**Meeting was adjourned at 4:07 PM and quorum maintained for the duration.**

\*Indicates USDA species.

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