

**TEXAS RADIATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES**

TOPIC RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Friday, January 19, 2024

It is scheduled to convene at 8:30 a.m.

1. **Call to Order**

Darshan Sachde, Ph.D., Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. A quorum was present.

1. **Roll call of committee members present.**

Members present: Darshan Sachde, Ph.D.; Roland Benke, Ph.D.; John Hageman, M.S., C.H.P.; Mark Harvey, Ph.D.; William Pate, DrPH; and Tim Powell

Department of State Health Services (DSHS) staff present: Lisa Bruedigan, Gem Naivar, Jay Pavlica, Brian Vamvakias, Kaylie Smith, and Karl Von Ahn

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) staff present: Ashley Forbes and Audrey Liter

Guests present: David Carlson (Waste Control Specialists); Brian Christianson, ARDT; Luke Cogburn and Jason Johnson, Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM)

1. **Review and, as needed, discuss and take possible action concerning amendment and approval of November 3, 2023, the TRAB Topic Research Committee meeting minutes.**

Mr. Powell made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Dr. Pate seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

1. **Public Comments**

None

1. **Routine and Continuing Business**
   1. **Review of previous TRAB position statement**

No Updates.

* 1. **Review of DSHS Rule Changes**

Brian Vamvakias gave updates on DSHS rule changes.

1. **New Business:**
   1. **Identify topics to recommend for further discussion and to be addressed at future meetings of the Topic Research Committee; Medical Committee; Industrial, Nuclear Power, Uranium, and Waste (INUW) Committee; or TRAB**

Ms. Bruedigan asked if the committee would still like to have a presentation on the Cobalt Magnet exercise at the April meeting. All agreed.

Ms. Bruedigan also asked the committee if they would like to have a presentation on Project Long Mott, which Dow Chemical Company and X-Energy are heading in the future.

1. **Summarize the TRAB Topic Research Committee meeting and recommendations for the Committee Report and proposed action items for TRAB or future agenda items for TRAB, the Medical Committee, the Topic Research Committee, or the INUW Committee**

Dr. Sachde summarized the topics covered in this meeting.

1. **Adjourn**

Dr. Harvey motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Benke seconded this motion. Dr. Sachde adjourned the meeting at 8:50 a.m.