

**INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD FOR HUMAN SUBJECTS RESEARCH  
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD**

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**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**03 October 1997**

**Old Pub/Runner Cafe**

**Members Present**

**Scientific Concerns:** Brenda Pulskamp, Gonzalo Santos, Steve Suter

**Non-Scientific Concerns:** Cliona Murphy, Merry Pawlowski

**Community Issues:** Evelyn Johnson, Duane Meyer

**Members Absent**

Nils Carlson (non-scientific concerns)

One position vacant in community issues

**Visitors Present**

Ms. Debra K. New, Psychology undergraduate student, for Protocol 97-30

Dr. Carol Raupp, Associate Professor of Psychology, as faculty sponsor for Debra K. New

1. Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steve Suter at 8:06 AM.
2. Merry Pawlowski moved, and Duane Meyer seconded, a motion to approve the minutes for the IRB/HSR meeting of 06 June 1997. Motion was approved unanimously, with 7 "aye," 0 "nay," and 0 "abstentions."
3. Brenda Pulskamp moved, and Evelyn Johnson seconded, a motion for formal affirmation of (a) all protocol approvals made under expedited review procedures (Protocol 97-12) and exempted review procedures (Protocols 97-28 and 97-29) and (b) one-year extensions (Protocols 96-27, 96-31, and 96-34) made during Summer (June-September) 1997. Motion was approved unanimously, with 7 "aye," 0 "nay," and 0 "abstentions."
4. Brenda Pulskamp moved, and Evelyn Johnson seconded, a motion for formal closure of all protocols approved one-year ago (June-September 1996): exempted review procedures - Protocols 96-14, 96-33, and 96-35; expedited review procedures - Protocols 96-24 and 96-30. Motion was approved unanimously, with 7 "aye," 0 "nay," and 0 "abstentions."
6. Protocol 97-30, *Gender differences in perception of power*, with Ms. Debra K. New and accompanied by Dr. Carol Raupp. Ms. New provided a brief overview of her research protocol, which was followed by questions from the members of the IRB/HSR, primarily from the three primary readers--Evelyn Johnson, Cliona Murphy, and Gonzalo Santos. Most of the questions, responses, and discussions revolved around independent variables to be used, data analysis procedures for grouping and analyzing the responses, recruitment of research participants, and the use of class time for completing the test instrument. After discussion, Gonzalo Santos moved, and Brenda Pulskamp seconded, a motion to offer Ms. New a waiver for a signed consent document on the basis that the research presents no more than minimal risk of harm to participants and that the recruitment process in getting approximately equal

numbers of diverse participants in terms of gender, age, major, ethnicity, etc., would be enhanced. Motion was approved unanimously, with 7 "aye," 0 "nay," and 0 "abstentions."

Gonzalo Santos moved, and Duane Meyer seconded, a motion for **conditional approval** of the protocol, with the conditions to be:

- Only recruiting students for participation in class after receiving permission from the instructor; and
- Having the research participants complete the test instrument out-of-class, so that no class time is used for the actual research participation.

Motion for conditional approval did not carry, with 3 "aye," 4 "nay," and 0 "abstentions."

Merry Pawlowski moved, and Cliona Murphy seconded, a motion for **full approval** of the protocol. Motion for full approval was passed, with 5 "aye," 2 "nay," and 0 "abstentions."

7. After some discussion during "other business," it was agreed that the IRB/HSR should conduct during Winter 1998 an open forum with the entire campus on the issue of student participation in research with special focus on research participation during scheduled class hours. It was further agreed that the Teaching and Learning Center (TLC), Academic Senate, and Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) should be contacted as potential co-sponsors of this all-campus forum. Edwin Sasaki volunteered to make the necessary contacts and arrangements.

8. Chairperson Steve Suter raised the issue of the title, Research Compliance Officer, for Edwin Sasaki's function with Graduate Study and Research, because it conveys the notion that an "officer" of the university must diligently "watch over and forcefully influence" faculty and students who conduct research with human subjects to "comply" with regulations and rules that they would not otherwise do. Steve Suter argued that the situation at CSUB is much more collegial and that the issue is not one of making faculty and students "comply." Discussion followed, after which Brenda Pulskamp moved, Cliona Murphy seconded, a motion that the IRB/HSR recommend to Dean Salina Ganipole that she reconsider Ed Sasaki's title and replace "Research Compliance Officer" with "Research Review Coordinator" or Research Ethics and Safety Coordinator." Motion for the recommendation was passed unanimously, with 7 "aye," 0 "nay," and 0 "abstentions."

9. Secretary Edwin Sasaki announced that three members of the Board will have their terms expiring on 31 December 1997:

- Steve Suter for scientific concerns;
- Cliona Murphy for non-scientific concerns; and
- Evelyn Johnson for community issues.

Both Steve Suter and Cliona Murphy have completed their second terms, so they are not eligible for another three-year term beginning 01 January 1998. On the other hand, Evelyn Johnson is completing the final term of Susan Christianson, who resigned, and, as a result, is in her first term on the Board. Therefore, Evelyn Johnson is eligible for re-appointment to a full three-year term, and she has consented to have her name forwarded. Edwin Sasaki indicated that he will also forward recommendations for the other two positions being vacated on 31 December.

10. Next IRB/HSR meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, 08 January 1998 (7:30 AM - 10:30 AM) OR Friday, 09 January 1998 (8:00 AM-11:00 AM), with breakfast being served; final date will be determined later. Place of meeting will be the Old Pub, Runner Cafe.

11. There being no further business, Chairperson Steve Suter adjourned the meeting at 10:14 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Edwin H. Sasaki', written in a cursive style.

Edwin H. Sasaki, Ph.D.  
IRB/HSR Secretary