Minutes Institutional Review Board October 6, 2010

Present: Mary Rose Lamb (Chair), Julia Looper, Alexa Tullis, Andrew Gardner, Lisa Ferrari, Elise Richman (departed early)

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

Announcements: None

Orders of Business:

1. Review of Protocol #1011-002

The committee reviewed the various revisions to this protocol (as it is closely related to previous protocols reviewed by the committee for earlier versions of this project). Discussions amongst the committee members focused on the potential coerciveness of the \$15.00 gift card and the Principal Investigator's description of the potential risk to participant/subjects. The committee also briefly returned to the ongoing conversation concerning ethics training for research assistants. The IRB committee felt clarification concerning this sentence from the Risks to Subjects section is needed. The sentence in question reads, "Because we are working with an at-risk population, some risks associated with safety and security may be present."

Action: The protocol was unanimously but provisionally approved pending a conversation with the IRB committee chair concerning clarification of the sentence from the Risks to Subjects section. The committee chair will also suggest that the research team reverse the order of the oral consent script so that subject screening occurs before the offer of the \$15.00 gift card is made. Finally, the IRB committee chair will advise the Principal Investigator that the committee is currently discussing the possibility of requiring formal ethics training for research assistants.

2. Review of Protocol #1011-001

The committee reviewed this proposal. No significant problems were discerned, and discussion was very minimal. It was suggested that a potentially disturbing stock photograph be removed from the materials to be delivered to the families of potential participants.

Action: The protocol was unanimously approved.

The meeting was concluded at 9:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Gardner