

**Minutes of University of Puget Sound Institutional Review Board  
November 3, 1995**

Present: Preiss (Chair), Chandler, Dickson, Dettori, Finney, Ibsen, Rickoll, Weinman

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM.

A special welcome to the new members, Melissa Weinman and Col. Joseph Dettori from Madigan Army Medical Center.

The following protocols were reviewed:

Request	Decision	Protocol #	Author	Title	Votes in Favor	Votes against	Abstentions
Resubmission	Decision denied (1)	9495-82	Le Jeune Faculty @ PLU/	The sexual attitudes and behaviors of college students.		6	2
First Submission	Approved with modifications (2)	9596-05	Loneragan, Robin, & Teunge	How Self-Esteem Relates to Conformity	6		2
First Submission	Approved with modifications (3)	9596-06	Jantx, Walters, & Jones	Options Toward Group Conformity	7		1
First Submission	Approved with modifications (4)	9596-08	Yancey	The Effects of Caffeine on Strength	7		1
First Submission	Approved	9596-09	Powers	A Friendship Scale for Children	7		1
First Submission	Approved (5)	9596-10	Droge	Social Distance and Empathy in "Mentoring" Relationships: Mentor Perspectives	8		

(1) The decision on this study had previously been deferred on 2/29/94, with a request for further information. Today the study was denied. In sum the committee felt that although this study presents little risk to the students, there appears to be little gain coming from the study, that is, no refereed papers have been published and no presentations have been made as a result of the fifteen years of gathering data. There appear to be no hypotheses guiding the study. Ray Preiss will approach the psychology department to assess whether the use of the data in the psychology classes provides a reason for a decision other than that made by the committee.

(2) The decision was to approve the study with one change. The age of the students participating must change to 18 or older (legal age to make a decision about participation).

(3) The decision was to approve the study with two changes. 1. The age of the students participating must change to 18 or older (legal age to make a decision about participation). 2. That the fictitious study be attributed to the Institutional Research Office (fictitious) rather than a health center, to avoid the possibility that the fiction be associated with the Puget Sound health services.

(4) The decision was to approve the study with two changes. 1. This study needs approval from the Fort Lewis IRB. A copy of that approval must be returned to the Puget Sound IRB, before initiating the study. It is suggested that Yancey contact Col. Dettori, who will be glad to assist Yancey with the procedure for the Fort Lewis IRB 2. There needs to be a plan to report the results of the study back to the subjects.

(5) The decision was to approve the study with the reminder to the author that the tapes need to be held for three years.

Students participating in studies in the psychology department do get credit for participation. There is an alternative assignment for those who do not choose to participate in studies.

It was agreed that if IRB members reading the protocols have editorial suggestions to make, in the interest of student learning, they could add a feedback sheet which would be given to the author of the protocol.

It is not clear, from some of the protocols submitted today, that applicants understand the difference between confidentiality and anonymity. It was suggested that the IRB clarify the meaning of those terms in our documents.

Departments should be reminded that protocols need to be submitted to the Associate Deans Office and then to the Chair of the IRB, who has responsibility for the routing of the protocols.

Rickoll and Ibsen presented their report of October 31 1995, regarding their Fact Finding Assignment. The recommendations of Rickoll and Ibsen were accepted as submitted in their report. No further action is recommended.

The meeting was adjourned sometime after 4 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynette S. Chandler