Members Present: Betty Chewning, Marc Drezner, Norman Drinkwater (ex officio), Elizabeth Jacobs, Patricia Keely, Paul Moberg, Rick Moss (chair), Greg Nycz, Tom Oliver, Elizabeth Petty, Pat Remington

Members Absent: David Andes, Jenny Gumperz, Craig Kent, Rob Lemanske, James Shull

Staff: Cathy Frey, Mary Jo Knobloch, Tonya Mathison, Ken Mount, Karen Roach, Eileen Smith, Steve Smith

Guest: Tracy Flood (Preventive Medicine Residency Program)

1. Call meeting to order
Moss called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

2. Announcements

Annual declaration of conflicts of interest
Members were asked to review the PERC conflict of interest policy and complete the related questionnaire. A copy of each member’s University Outside Activities Report will also be filed with the questionnaire.

Draft Wisconsin Partnership Program 2012 Annual Report outline and timeline
Eileen Smith presented an overview of the outline and timeline for the Wisconsin Partnership Program 2012 Annual Report. PERC will review a draft of the report in June.

Revised 2013 PERC meeting schedule
The revised 2013 PERC meeting schedule reflects two date changes. PERC will meet on July 29 (rescheduled from July 8) and on November 21 (rescheduled from November 11).

3. Decision on draft February 11, 2013 minutes
Keely seconded a motion by Nycz to approve the draft February 11, 2013 minutes. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

4. Monthly reports:

Targeted Obesity Initiative Planning Committee
Eileen Smith reported that the Targeted Obesity Initiative Planning Committee, chaired by Alex Adams, has met twice. The first meeting provided background and timeline, and the second meeting launched the discussion of the preparation of the report for PERC and OAC due in June. Discussion centered on focus of initiative and target audience.

Five-Year Planning Committee
Eileen Smith reported on the April 8, 2013 meeting of the WPP Five-Year Planning Committee. The committee has discussed the structure of plan, possible new initiatives, and recent surveys of the public and applicants and grantees. In May, PERC will receive a detailed outline of the 2014-2019 Five-Year Plan.
Oversight and Advisory Committee
Remington reported on the February 27, 2013 OAC meeting. OAC elected its officer positions to two-year terms. Pat Remington and Doug Mormann were reappointed respectively as chair and vice chair. Ken Taylor is the newly appointed secretary. He added that Barbara Zabawa, an attorney with Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek S.C., will join the OAC in April as the Insurance Commissioner’s Appointee.

After considering additional information from the City of Milwaukee Mayor’s Office on its plans for sustainability of the “Community Safety Data Repository Project,” regarding efforts to reduce Milwaukee’s homicide rate, OAC approved funding for this 2012 implementation grant. This brings the total Community Grants Program awards in 2012 to just over $3 million. In February, OAC also awarded $3.4 million to 20 Lifecourse Initiative for Healthy Families (LIHF) projects aimed at improving support for African-American women, fathers and families. The grants include targeted efforts in Beloit, Kenosha, Milwaukee and Racine. The projects work toward advancing the interventions and strategies recommended by the four communities in their local action plans. The OAC deferred until April making award decisions on six additional applications pending further information on outcomes and impact.

PERC Executive Committee
Moss reported on the April 5, 2013 PERC Executive Committee meeting. The committee discussed the preliminary applications for the Collaborative Health Sciences Program and the targeted application for the “UW Preventive Medicine Residency Program Development Grant.” Recommendations of the Executive Committee will be reported during those PERC agenda items (#5 and #6).

5. Discussion and acceptance of recommendation by PERC Executive Committee on invitations to submit full applications for the competitive Collaborative Health Sciences Program

Drinkwater reported that PERC received 28 preliminary applications for the Collaborative Health Sciences Program. One applicant withdrew. Following a technical review by staff, 27 applications were advanced for independent review by the PERC Executive Committee members as well as Drinkwater who serves as PERC’s Review Committee Chair. The Executive Committee met on April 5 to discuss the applications and recommended that PERC invite 10 applicants to submit full applications. Keely seconded a motion by Moberg to approve the recommendation of the PERC Executive Committee to invite 10 of the 27 applicants to submit full applications. The motion passed with ten affirmative votes. Remington abstained as supervisor of a Co-PI on one of the 10 grant applications.

Full applications will undergo independent expert review followed by panel discussion which will result in a ranked list for PERC’s consideration in July. At that time, PERC will determine finalists for interviews. PERC will make award decisions in September. Up to three awards will be made.

6. Presentation of targeted application for “UW Preventive Medicine Residency Program Development Grant”

Oliver declared a conflict as the Co-Principal Investigator on the application.

Moss reported that at its April 5 Executive Committee meeting, the committee discussed the targeted application for the “UW Preventive Medicine Residency (PMR) Program” and recommended advancing it for PERC’s consideration.

Remington provided an overview of the targeted application. PERC’s current funding supports establishing and gaining accreditation for the PMR Program. This is a key component to applying to the
CDC for a Prevention Research Center. There must be evidence of sustained funding for the new residency program in order to submit an application to the UW Hospital and Clinic’s Graduate Medical Education Committee and subsequently to the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME). The development application covers the inaugural cohort of physician trainees in the two-year residency program over a period of three years and includes matching funds from the VA Hospital and the Wisconsin Population Health Service Fellowship.

In response to a question by Petty, Remington clarified that in order to successfully compete for HRSA funding, it would be best for the PMR program to be accredited and demonstrate success. Nycz questioned if HRSA funding was not available, would PERC be expected to continue to providing funding for the PMR program. Remington had discussed that possibility with Dean Golden who indicated that if the application scored well but was not funded by HRSA, the school (SMPH), not PERC, would cover the PMR budget until it received residency funding. Petty asked how competitive the funding is for a CDC Prevention Research Center. Remington believes the school will be quite competitive given its infrastructure from ICTR, SHOW, OAC’s Community Grants Program and PERC’s new obesity prevention initiative.

Remington, Flood and Oliver left the room.

Discussion and decision on award
Moberg seconded a motion by Nycz to approve funding for the UW Preventive Medicine Residency Program contingent upon ACGME accreditation and subsequent funding by HRSA or the SMPH. The motion passed with nine affirmative votes. Remington and Oliver were not present for the vote.

7. Discussion and decision on change in Principal Investigator for 2013 targeted grant, Advancing Evidence-Based Health Policy in Wisconsin

Oliver and Moberg declared conflicts of interest on “Advancing Evidence Based Health Policy in Wisconsin.” Oliver is the former Principal Investigator on the grant. Moberg works closely with the project leaders in his role as Program Director for Evaluation Research in the UW Population Health Institute. Moss reported that, with PERC’s approval, Karen Timberlake will replace Jonathan Jaffery as the PI on this grant. Chewning seconded a motion by Nycz to approve the change in PI. The motion passed with nine affirmative votes. Oliver and Moberg abstained and did not participate in the discussion.

8. Discussion and decision on final report for Regenerative Medicine Program (PI: Kamp)

The decision on the final report for the Regenerative Medicine Program was moved to the consent agenda (#9).

9. Consent agenda:

Remington seconded a motion by Nycz to pass the following resolutions:

Resolution to accept the interim progress reports for:
- Medical Homes for High Risk Pregnant Women in Southeast Wisconsin: Do They Improve Birth Outcomes? (Jaffery)
- Preparing Health Educators to Address Behavioral Health Determinants through Heath care Settings (Brown)
Resolution to accept the final reports for:
- Genetic and environmental predictors of serum levels of 25-hydroxyvitamin D (Engelman, Revised)
- Reducing Infant Mortality Disparities in Wisconsin (Sarto)
- Regenerative Medicine Program (Kamp)

The motion passed by unanimous vote.

10. Adjourn – next meeting May 13, 2013

Moss adjourned the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Recorder, Tonya Mathison