

Meeting of the Communications Committee of the Board of Trustees

Tuesday, April 29, 2025 6:00 – 7:00 PM ET Via Teams (link in calendar invite)

Members Attending: Dr. Patricia Boyle, Communications Committee Chair; Dr. John Brady; Dr. Sharon Brangman;

Dr. Sue Pekarske

Also Attending: Dr. Lee Dockery, Chair Emeritus; Ms. Amy Porter, Interim Executive Director; Ms. Valerie

Patmintra; BRG Team –Mr. Shannon McDaniel; Ms. Maureen Higgins; Ms. Kate Worthy; Ms.

Mandy Byrd

AGENDA

6:00 pm ET	1.	Call to Order/Welcome/Roll Call	Dr. Boyle
6:05pm ET ACTION	2.	Approval of Minutes from the February 6, 2025 Joint Meeting of the Communication and Education Committees	Dr. Boyle
6:10pm ET	3.	Communications Activity Timeline	Dr. Boyle
6:15 pm ET	4.	Brain Works Campaign and Media Update a. Syndicated Article for Review b. AAFP Partnership Update and Brain Health Article c. Plans for Mental Health Awareness Month Outreach	BRG/ Ms. Patmintra
6:45 pm ET	5.	Update on the AARP Brain Health Action Collaborative	Dr. Brangman
6:55 pm ET ACTION	6.	Other Business and Adjourn	Dr. Boyle

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MCKNIGHT BRAIN RESEARCH FOUNDATION (MBRF) JOINT MEETING OF THE EDUCATION & COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEES CONFERENCE CALL February 6, 2025

The Joint Meeting of the Education and Communications Committees of the MBRF was called to order at 6:00 pm EST on February 6, 2025, by Dr. Patricia Boyle.

The following members were present:

- Dr. John Brady, Education Committee Chair
- Dr. Patricia Boyle, Communications Committee Chair
- Dr. Mike Dockery, MBRF Chair
- Dr. Sharon Brangman, Trustee
- Dr. Allison Brashear, Trustee
- Dr. Roy Hamilton, Trustee
- Dr. Sue Pekarske, Trustee

Others attending:

- Dr. Lee Dockery, Chair Emeritus
- Dr. Madhav Thambisetty, MBRF Vice Chair
- Ms. Melanie Cianciotto, Corporate Trustee
- Ms. Amy Porter, Interim Executive Director
- Ms. Valerie Patmintra, Senior Communications Advisor
- Ms. Mandy Byrd, BRG Communications
- Ms. Maureen Higgins, BRG Communications
- Ms. Kate Worthy, BRG Communications

1. Call to Order

Dr. Boyle welcomed the members of both committees to the call.

2. Communications

a. Communications Activity Timeline

Dr. Boyle reviewed the updated activity timeline, noting that the BRG team would be joining the meeting soon to provide an update on the Brain Works campaign. Since the last meeting, a new page has been added to the website commemorating the Foundation's 25th anniversary. The page includes the 25th anniversary video, video vignettes with several of the Trustees reflecting on the anniversary and an updated version of the MBRF organizational brochure. Dr. Boyle encouraged everyone to visit the new page and to let her and Ms. Patmintra know if they have feedback or suggestions for the page or the updated organizational brochure. She also noted that strategic partnerships are a key component of the Brain Works campaign second year plan and that a partnership opportunity with the American Academy of Family Physicians would be presented for approval later in the meeting.

b. Minutes of the October 7, 2024, Communications Committee Meeting

The minutes of the October 7, 2024, Communications Committee Meeting were reviewed and approved as presented.

Action Item 1: The minutes of the October 7, 2024 Communications Committee Meeting were approved as presented.

2. Education

a. Education Activity Timeline

Dr. Brady reviewed highlights from the updated Education Activity Timeline. He shared that the committee continues reviewing new resources and content before they are added to the MBRF website or Brain Works microsite. He also noted that he recently participated in a brainstorm with Ms. Patmintra and the BRG team to begin developing ideas to build on the MBRF's awareness efforts and engage new audiences through an education program. Ms. Patmintra noted that a summary document outlining the education opportunity, goals and potential audiences will be shared with as part of the February 24, 2025, meeting materials to help continue the conversation.

b. Minutes of the July 29, 2024, Education Committee Meeting

The minutes of the July 29, 2024, Education Committee Meeting were reviewed and approved as presented.

Action Item 2: The minutes of the July 29, 2024, Education Committee Meeting were approved as presented.

3. Brain Works Campaign Update

a. Media and Social Outreach and Results to Date

Ms. Kate Worthy, BRG Communications, presented a summary of media coverage secured for the campaign to date. Since the campaign launched in March of 2024, more than 1.5 billion media impressions, 4,000 placements and 50 interviews have been secured. She noted that the campaign is tracking very well against the year two media goals and has already surpassed the number of media impressions anticipated for the year thanks to several high-profile media placements featuring the MBRF Trustees.

Ms. Worthy shared that the campaign's digital coverage is also exceeding expectations. Thanks to the recent influencer activation with Dr. Joy and an ongoing advertising strategy, the Foundation now has more than 5,000 likes and followers on Facebook and has increased followers across all platforms by 441 percent. She also noted there have been more than 25,000 visits to the Brain Works microsite since July. In response to Dr. Hamilton's question about the total number of web visits since the campaign launched, an updated version of the results presentation will be shared with the Trustees as part of the February 24, 2025, meeting materials.

b. Discussion and Approval of New Resources for the Brain Works Resource Hub

Ms. Patmintra noted that a document outlining recommended resources to add to the Brain Works resource hub was included with the committee materials and has been approved by Dr.

Boyle and Dr. Brady as committee chairs. Dr. Michael Dockery asked the committee members to review the document and let Ms. Patmintra know if any of the resources outlined are not approved to post to the site by Sunday, February 9, 2025.

4. Update on the AARP Brain Health Action Collaborative

Dr. Brangman gave an update on the AARP Brain Health Action Collaborative noting that it's a great group for the MBRF to be part of because of its wide reach and message alignment with the MBRF. She said the initiative is working to offer content for a wide range of audiences and each organization participating has an opportunity to own a different segment. She is participating in the quarterly meetings with the goal of finding the MBRF's niche and encouraged Ms. Patmintra to join the meetings going forward.

5. Discussion of the American Academy of Family Physicians Partnership Opportunity

Dr. Brady presented the partnership opportunity with the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) for the Trustees' review. He noted that the AAFP not only has 130,000 professional members, they also have great resources like the familydoctor.org website that reach consumer and patient audiences. As the partnership is outlined, the Foundation has the opportunity to reach both AAFP professional members and patients through their various communications channels both with existing Brain Works campaign resources and via new articles and content that would be developed in partnership with the AAFP. He noted that all materials developed together with AAFP would be co-branded for use on the MBRF's website as well.

The Trustees approved of moving forward with the AAFP partnership and securing a contract that includes details of exactly what the partnership will include and each organization's roles and responsibilities.

Action Item 3: The AAFP partnership opportunity was approved to proceed to the next step of securing a contract.

6. Ideas for an MBRF Education Program

Dr. Brady briefly summarized the brainstorm he participated in with BRG and Ms. Patmintra to start coming up with ideas for an MBRF-owned education program and noted that the ideas discussed would be shared with the Foundation's new CEO and all of the Trustees in order to start a broader conversation about leveraging the momentum of the MBRF's awareness work to date to being an education program.

7. Adjourn

Hearing no further discussion, Dr. Brady called for adjournment of the meeting at 7:05 p.m. EST.

Respectfully Submitted,

Valerie Patmintra Senior Communications Advisor



Communications Activity Timeline Updated April 23, 2025

Activity	Date/Status	Action	Responsible Party	Comments
Patient Education Brochures	Complete	Drafted content and designed two new patient education brochures	V. Patmintra	The "Cognitive Aging Explained" and "Keeping Your Brain Healthy" brochures are both posted on the Helpful Resources page of the website and on the "About Cognitive Aging" and "Brain Health Tips" pages of the Brain Works microsite. As part of the ongoing relationship with the Gerontological Society of America, the "Cognitive Aging Explained" and "Keeping Your Brain Healthy" brochures were added to GSA's KAER toolkit in July of 2023 along with the Foundation's tip sheet on healthy aging.
MBRF Organizational Brochure	In Progress	Updating the MBRF Organizational Brochure to Post for the 25 th Anniversary	V. Patmintra	The organizational brochure has been updated to include new visuals, updated metrics and information on the MBRF and updated content for each of the four MBIs. The updated brochure is being posted to the Foundation's 25 th Anniversary celebration landing page on the website.
MBRF Anniversary Video	Complete	Updating the MBRF Highlights Video for the 25 th Anniversary	V. Patmintra BRG	The MBRF's anniversary video is featured on the website and was included in social media promotion efforts as part of the activities commemorating the Foundation's 25 th anniversary.

Mind Your Memory Newsletter	Ongoing	Quarterly Newsletter with Consumer-Focused News and Highlights	V. Patmintra	The Mind Your Memory consumer newsletter began distribution in September 2022 and is distributed quarterly to the Foundation's organizational contacts list and to consumers who sign-up for distribution on the website. The spring 2025 issue of the newsletter is being drafted and will be distributed in mid-May.
McKnight Brain Website	Ongoing	Home Page Refresh and Ongoing Content Development	V. Patmintra	Based on results from the User Testing initiative, the website navigation was updated at the end of July with new headers designed to draw audiences in to the content most relevant to their needs. The organizational content about the Foundation is also now separated across two tabs titled "Our Work" and "About Us." Following completion of the navigation update, new content has been added to the Blog and News pages of the website on a weekly basis. The Brain Works microsite launched on March 22 as part of the campaign kickoff activities and features a Resource Hub with materials from the MBRF as well as other leading cognitive aging and brain health organizations. The Hot Topics section of the microsite is updated regularly to feature campaign news and consumer-friendly research updates from the MBIs. A Brain Works button is featured in the McKnightBrain.org's primary navigation and a hero image highlighting the campaign was added to the homepage carousel to help users flow seamlessly between the two areas of the site.
PCP Education Initiative	Ongoing	Develop content to build a dedicated area of the website for PCP education	V. Patmintra	The Brain Works Year Two campaign recommendations include ideas for engaging with healthcare professionals via partnerships with relevant membership organizations

				A partnership opportunity with the American Academy of Family Physicians has been secured and materials on brain health and cognitive aging are in development to be featured on the AAFP's patient-facing website FamilyDoctor.org and in the physician trade Family Medicine Today.
Social Media	Ongoing	Develop monthly content themes and make regular posts to the MBRF Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn pages	V. Patmintra	Developing themes and drafting content on a monthly basis to make 2-3 posts per week. Leveraging boosted Facebook posts and Google ads to drive additional traffic to the McKnightBrain.org website.
				Resulting from additional social media advertising and promotion, the MBRF's social media following has increased by more than 500% since the Brain Works campaign launched in March.

Tracking and	Began in 2019	Conduct media	V. Patmintra	Tracking media and social media metrics and reach
Quarterly Reports	Onngoing	tracking and provide quarterly updates.	V. I definited	throughout the year and providing quarterly updates to the Trustees. Tracking topics include: brain health, agerelated memory loss, cognitive aging, cognitive decline, age-related cognitive decline, McKnight Brain Research Foundation, McKnight Brain Institutes. A comprehensive report of media coverage and website traffic generated from the Brain Works campaign will be included for review with materials for the May 14 Trustees' meeting.
Communications Working Group	Began in 2019 Ongoing	Zoom meetings with members of the Communications Working Group	A. Porter V. Patmintra Last Meeting:	Quarterly meetings with members of the Communications Working Group to discuss and engage in ongoing activities, including:

		March 12, 20	 Identifying core competencies needed for each MBI's communications outreach Reviewing, vetting and approving materials Providing input on upcoming studies with relevant consumer/medical media angles Identifying young researchers and studies of note to highlight on the MBRF website
Brain Works Public Awareness Campaign	Ongoing	V. Patmintra A. Porter BRG	The <i>Brain Works: Optimize Your Brain Span</i> campaign launched on March 22 with a Satellite Media Tour, launch of the Brain Works microsite and ongoing media outreach. Results from the first few months of the campaign were shared with the Trustees during the May meeting, along with high level plans for year two of the campaign. Plans for the campaign's second year will be formalized following the meeting. Year Two Brain Works campaign activities, including ongoing media relations, distribution of an online public service announcement, influencer activation with Dr. Joy and a partnership opportunity with the American Academy of Family Physicians are underway. Updates will be shared with the Communications Committee during the April 29 committee meeting and a full report on year two results and a look ahead to year three will be shared with the Trustees during the May 14 meeting.



McKnight Brain Research Foundation Brain Works Syndicated Article Draft 4.22.25

Healthy Body, Healthy Brain: Tips for Your Brain and Body

By 2030, more than 20% of the US population---about 71 million Americans---will be over the age of 65. With age, many of us may notice changes in cognition—things like misplacing our keys or forgetting a neighbor's name. While we expect our bodies to change with age and aren't alarmed when they do, many people assume the worst when their memory or cognition changes. It's important to understand that our brains age just like our bodies.

Cognitive aging or brain aging is not a disease. It's part of an ongoing process that begins at birth and continues throughout the lifespan. In early childhood, our brains grow and develop at a rapid pace. As we grow older, changes in the brain due to aging can affect things like learning and memory. Processing speed, decision-making, and memory are often some of the first cognitive abilities to decline due to aging.

Cognitive aging is normal, and it happens to all of us. You can't prevent your brain from aging, but YOU CAN take action to optimize your brain and cognitive health.

The McKnight Brain Research Foundation's Brain Works initiative aims to educate the public on cognitive aging as a critical step to reducing fear and encouraging behavior change to promote healthy brain aging. Learn more about the steps you can take to optimize your brain health below.

Tips to Optimize Your Brain Health:

Remember the Old Adage: Healthy Heart, Healthy Mind



Evidence shows that risk factors for cardiovascular disease and stroke, like obesity, high blood pressue and diabetes, negatively impact your cognitive health. Take care of your heart and your



brain by maintaining a healthy weight and managing your risk for high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and diabetes.

Keep Your Mind Active



Challenging and activating the mind with activities like learning a new language, instrument, or skill, helps keep your mind sharp. Doing puzzles and playing games are also good ways to encourage strategic thinking.

Find Your Purpose



What motivates you and lights you your world each day? Whatever it is, having and building a sense of meaning and purpose in life can bring countless psychological and physical health benefits! Having a sense of purpose has been linked to a lower risk of developing dementia or cognitive impairment. Having purpose is also linked to a longer and healthier lifespan and better wellbeing in older age.

Prioritize Your Mental Health & Manage Stress





Mental health is an important component of overall brain health, so it's not surprising that depression is linked with an increased risk of cognitive decline and dementia. Managing stress and seeking medical attention for symptoms of depression, low mood, anxiety, or other mental health concerns will help maintain your brain and cognitive health later in life.

Stay Social



It's time to channel your inner extrovert! Social and intellectual engagement is important to brain health. Pursuing social activities that are interesting and engaging will help you maintain connections with others and within your local community. Try volunteering at your local church or animal shelter or just share the games or activities you enjoy with your friends and family.

Follow a Healthy Diet



Eating a healthy and balanced diet that's rich in fresh fruits and vegetables, whole grains, lean proteins, and low-fat dairy products can reduce inflammation, the risk of disease, and help support brain health. For peak cognitive health, also stay hydrated, limit alcohol consumption, and reduce your intake of solid fats, sugar, sodium, and highly processed foods.



Take a Walk



A daily walk is a perfect way to get in the physical activity needed to maintain good brain health. Aim for 30 minutes a day and break it into shorter sessions if needed. Several studies have linked regular physical activity with a reduced risk of cognitive decline. Even simple exercises using your body weight or a few light weights can pay off!

For more resources on cognitive aging, including questions to ask your doctor, brain health tips, and the latest research findings, visit the McKnight Brain Research Foundation's Brain Works resource hub at: https://mcknightbrain.org/brainworks/.

About the Brain Works Campaign

The McKnight Brain Research Foundation launched the "Brain Works: Optimize Your Brain Span" campaign in March 2024 to educate the public on cognitive aging and offer tips to help maintain optimal brain health with age. The campaign features information on cognitive aging, including an online hub of tools and resources from the McKnight Brain Research Foundation and other reputable organizations with cognitive health expertise. Visit the resource hub and learn more at: McKnightBrain.org/BrainWorks.



FamilyDoctor.org Agreement for Collaborative Content

Sponsor Information

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Collaboration Opportunity

- The Sponsor provides communications and promotional content across media for the McKnight Brain Research Foundation (hereafter "MBRF"), a Florida foundation established to enhance life by preserving memory and supporting healthy cognitive aging through research and education.
- The Sponsor and the American Academy of Family Physicians ("AAFP") will collaborate and complete the
 following content ("Content") with AAFP taking the lead on development of the Content in accordance with
 the terms and conditions of this Agreement ("Agreement"):

An introduction of cognitive aging to both family physicians and patients. It focuses on placing resources on FamilyDoctor.org, promoting them to a patient audience, and then highlighting the patient-facing resources to family physicians.

Primary Audience: Patients first, family physicians second Components:

- For Patients
 - o Review and revise this article: Brain Training for Seniors familydoctor.org
 - Create a new piece of editorial content (e.g. article) featuring MBRF research, sources and tips for patients. Included in the article may be graphics that provide tools for patients.
 - o Promote the articles on FamilyDoctor.org's social media channels.
 - Include the article in a home page placement for 60 days (4 15-day blocks)
- For Physicians
 - Promote the new editorial content on AAFP's organic social media content.
 - Place two PSAs in Family Medicine Today promoting the new article.
- Reporting/Metrics: AAFP will provide associated reports/metrics on performance activities outlined above. Reporting will be provided on May 9 and July 11.
- Funding: \$20,000 ("Payment")
- Estimated Content collaboration timeline (dates subject to change depending on Content needs):

Milestone	Estimated due date
Brain Training for Seniors revised	April 25, 2025
Funding statement at bottom of page	April 25, 2025
Initial social media posts on FD.org	Week of April 28, 2025
Initial 15-day home page placement	Week of April 28, 2025
New editorial content on FD.org	May 5, 2025
Family Medicine Today PSA #1	Week of May 12, 2025
Clinician Social Media Posts	May 12-May 30, 2025

Family Medicine Today PSA #2	Week of June 2, 2025
Home page placements on FD.org (15-day increments)	Between May 5 and June 30, 2025
Second social media posts on FD.org	Week of June 9, 2025

- Revisions to and development of new content may utilize information from the MBRF's BrainWorks website
 and resources.
- Term Length: Content will be on FamilyDoctor.org and as otherwise contemplated expressly herein for at least 180 days from placement of Content on website(s) in accordance with this Agreement from April 25, 2025 ("Term"). Following the Term, Content may continue to be used at the AAFP's discretion subject to the provisions of this Agreement.
- Language: The Content will include the following language acknowledging the parties' collaboration: "The development of this content was in collaboration with the McKnight Brain Research Foundation."
- MBRF will have the opportunity to review and provide feedback on the content AAFP creates before it goes live. AAFP retains editorial control and final approval.
- AAFP contact for purposes of collaboration and content development: Rebecca Beeler, rbeeler@aafp.org

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BRG Communications	American Academy of Family Physicians
Signature:	Signature:
Name: Shannon McDaniel	Name: Rebecca Fuller Beeler
Title: Executive VP	Title: VP, Integrated Marketing Communications
Date:	Date:



The McKnight Brain Research Foundation Announces Alice Luo Clayton, PhD, as Chief Executive Officer

April 28, 2025 -- The McKnight Brain Research Foundation (MBRF) is pleased to announce Alice Luo Clayton, PhD, as its inaugural Chief Executive Officer. Dr. Luo Clayton is a neuroscientist with more than 15 years of programmatic leadership and strategic advising experience in government and private philanthropy.

Most recently, she served as the Senior Science Advisor at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Brain Research Through Advancing Innovative Neurotechnologies® (BRAIN) Initiative. In this role, she contributed to the overall strategy for BRAIN, a program that transformed neuroscience research in its first 10 years by investing more than \$3 billion in tools, technology and foundational knowledge to better understand the mysteries of the human brain. Previously, at the Coalition for Aligning Science, Dr. Luo Clayton spearheaded the initial strategic framework of a new initiative for the Sergey Brin Family Foundation.

Dr. Luo Clayton also served as a Senior Scientist at the Simons Foundation Autism Research Initiative (SFARI), the largest private funder of autism research in the U.S., for over a decade. During her tenure, she developed and oversaw multiple successful programs in systems, behavioral and cognitive neuroscience grant portfolios, in addition to SFARI's Bridge to Independence program.

"Dr. Luo Clayton understands the importance of studying cognitive aging and we are thrilled to welcome her as the first CEO of the McKnight Brain Research Foundation," said Michael L. Dockery, MD, Chair, McKnight Brain Research Foundation. "Her proven scientific acumen and deep expertise in multiple facets of the research ecosystem make her the perfect fit to serve as the Foundation's inaugural CEO. Dr. Luo Clayton's strategic leadership will be critical to expanding and deepening our rich 25-year history of supporting research to better understand and alleviate the effects of age-related cognitive decline and memory loss."

"Understanding cognitive aging is more relevant than ever, and this rapidly growing field is poised for breakthrough discoveries," said Dr. Luo Clayton. "I'm excited to build on MBRF's impressive history, connecting cutting-edge science with practical solutions to help people maintain their cognitive health throughout life."

With cognitive changes due to the normal aging process affecting nearly 87 percent of people age 65 and older to varying degrees, the McKnight Brain Research Foundation is the nation's only private foundation dedicated exclusively to solving the mysteries of the aging brain and helping people achieve a lifetime of cognitive health. The Foundation supports research specifically targeting cognitive aging, age-related cognitive decline and memory loss and works to educate the public on the steps that can be taken to maintain cognitive and brain health.

Dr. Luo Clayton began her research funding career as an AAAS Science & Technology Policy fellow at the National Institute of Mental Health where she focused on programmatic activities in developmental translational research and the Human Connectome Project.

Dr. Luo Clayton was trained as a systems neuroscientist, receiving her Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania under the mentorship of Dr. Gary Aston-Jones and completing postdoctoral training at the National Institute on Drug Abuse under the mentorship of Dr. Roy Wise. Her research focused on novel afferent circuitry to the Ventral Tegmental Area and specifying the role of these circuits in circadian rhythms, motivation, and contextual learning.

Working with the Trustees of the McKnight Brain Research Foundation, Dr. Luo Clayton will oversee all strategic planning, operations and administration of the organization's finances, marketing efforts and grants distribution.

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