

**ASPENBIO PHARMA, INC.**

**CHARTER OF THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
(AS AMENDED AND RESTATED)**

**I. Authority and Composition**

The Compensation Committee (the “Committee”) is established pursuant to Article III, Section 11 of the Bylaws of AspenBio Pharma, Inc. (“AspenBio” or the “Company”). Committee members are appointed annually by the Board of Directors of the Company (the “Board”) on the recommendation of the Nominating/Corporate Governance Committee, and may be replaced by the Board. The Committee must consist of at least three directors, each of whom shall meet the independence requirements of the NASDAQ Corporate Governance Rules (subject to any applicable transition periods or exceptions permitted under NASDAQ requirements) and any standards of independence as may be prescribed for purposes of any federal securities, tax or other laws relating to the Committee’s duties and responsibilities, including Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Board of Directors shall appoint a Chairman of the Committee upon the recommendation of the Nominating/Corporate Governance Committee. The Committee may also appoint a Secretary, who need not be a director.

This Charter may be amended only by the Board of Directors.

**II. Purposes of the Committee**

The primary purposes of the Committee are to: (i) develop recommendations for the Board with respect to the compensation of the Company’s Chief Executive Officer (the “CEO”), and the compensation of the Company’s executive officers, other than the CEO, and independent directors; (ii) make determinations with respect to the compensation programs and policies of the Company; (iii) review and discuss with the Company’s management the Compensation Discussion and Analysis (the “CD&A”) to be included in the Company’s annual proxy statement and determine whether to recommend to the Board of Directors that the CD&A be included in the proxy statement; and (iv) provide the Compensation Committee Report for inclusion in the Company’s annual proxy statement that complies with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”).

**III. Duties and Responsibilities of the Committee**

The following activities are set forth as a guide with the understanding that the Committee may diverge from this guide as it considers appropriate, subject to compliance with applicable NASDAQ, securities, tax and other legal and self-regulatory requirements. Although the Board may consider other duties from time to time, the Committee, to the extent it deems necessary or appropriate, will have the following responsibilities:

- A. The Committee shall annually review goals and objectives relevant to the CEO’s compensation, evaluate the CEO’s performance in light of those goals and objectives, determine the CEO’s cash and equity-based compensation based on this evaluation, and recommend such goals, objectives and compensation to the Board of Directors for its

review and approval. In determining any incentive component of the CEO's compensation, the Committee will consider appropriate factors, which may include the Company's performance and relative shareholder return, the achievement of the CEO's performance milestones, the value of similar incentive grants or awards to chief executive officers at comparable companies, and the grants or awards given to the CEO in past years.

- B. The Committee shall annually review and recommend to the Board of Directors for its approval, the compensation of the Company's "executive officers," (as that term is defined in the regulations promulgated by the SEC and the NASDAQ Rules) other than the CEO. In making such compensation recommendations, the Committee will take into account peer group practices and other appropriate factors, such as corporate and individual performance and historical compensation practices for such officers. The Committee will solicit the recommendations of the CEO in connection with the foregoing. The Committee will also provide general oversight of the Company's compensation and benefits plans, policies and programs that pertain to employees other than executive officers.
- C. The Committee shall annually review and recommend to the Board of Directors for their approval the fees and equity compensation paid to the Company's directors, based on appropriate factors as determined by the Committee. Such review and recommendations shall ensure that no agreements or arrangements are made with directors or relatives of directors for providing professional or consulting services to AspenBio or an affiliate or an individual officer of the Company or one of their affiliates, without a full review and evaluation of potential conflicts of interest.
- D. The Committee shall have the sole authority to retain and terminate any compensation consultant to be used to assist in the evaluation of the compensation of directors, the CEO or the other executive officers' compensation, and shall have sole authority to approve the consultant's fees and other retention terms.
- E. The Committee shall periodically review and make recommendations to the Board with respect to incentive-compensation programs and equity-based plans, and shall periodically review and make recommendations to the Board with respect to the adoption of or material changes in material employee benefit, bonus, severance and other compensation plans of the Company. As appropriate in connection with this process, the Committee shall seek appropriate input from internal or external advisors.
- F. The Committee shall determine the need for and the appropriateness of employment agreements and change in control agreements for each of the Company's executive officers and any other officers recommended by the CEO or the Board.
- G. The Committee shall determine, and recommend to the Board of Directors for its approval, the options and other equity-based compensation to be issued to executive officers, other than the CEO. The Committee shall, in conjunction with the CEO, determine the issuance of options under the Company's incentive compensation and other stock-based plans to all other officers and employees of the Company. The Committee may delegate the determination with respect to persons other than officers to the CEO but

will approve the aggregate amount granted to all employees and all new hire grants. Any equity awards to the CEO shall be determined by the Committee and recommended to the Board for its review and approval.

- H. The Committee shall perform such duties and responsibilities as may be assigned to the Committee by the Board and/or under the terms of any compensation plan of the Company.

The Committee shall:

- (a) Report regularly to the Board on its activities;
- (b) Maintain minutes of its meetings and records relating to those meetings and the Committee's activities;
- (c) Have authority to obtain, at the expense of the Company, advice and assistance from internal or external legal, consulting or other advisors;
- (d) Form and delegate authority to subcommittees of one or more Committee members when desired and appropriate;
- (e) Review and reassess the adequacy of this Charter annually and recommend to the Board any proposed changes to this Charter; and
- (f) Periodically review the Committee's own performance.

#### **IV. General**

In performing their responsibilities, Committee members are entitled to rely in good faith on information, opinions, reports or statements prepared or presented by:

- (a) One or more officers or employees of the Company whom the Committee member reasonably believes to be reliable and competent in the matters presented;
- (b) Counsel, independent auditors, or other persons as to matters which the Committee member reasonably believes to be within the professional or expert competence of such person; and
- (c) Other committees of the Board as to matters within their respective designated authority which committee the Committee member reasonably believes to merit confidence.

*Adopted, as revised, effective November 23, 2010.*