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FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2018

OR

Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission file number 000-52091

GEOVAX LABS, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation or organization)

87-0455038

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1900 Lake Park Drive

Suite 380

Smyrna, Georgia

(Address of principal executive offices)

30080

(Zip Code)

(678) 384-7220

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of “large accelerated filer,” “accelerated filer,” “smaller reporting company,” and “emerging growth company” in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

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|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Large accelerated filer | Accelerated filer |
| Non-accelerated filer | |
| Smaller reporting company | Emerging growth company |

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act):

Yes No

As of November 8, 2018, 196,903,476 shares of the Registrant’s common stock, \$.001 par value, were issued and outstanding.

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Part I -- FINANCIAL INFORMATION**Item 1 Financial Statements****GEOVAX LABS, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

| | September 30, 2018 (unaudited) | December 31, 2017 |
|---|---|-------------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$511,242 | \$312,727 |
| Grant funds and other receivables | 14,757 | 59,758 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 70,188 | 75,589 |
| Total current assets | 596,187 | 448,074 |
| Property and equipment, net | 16,270 | 31,151 |
| Deposits | 11,010 | 11,010 |
| Total assets | \$623,467 | \$490,235 |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY) | | |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Accounts payable | \$147,947 | \$77,581 |
| Accrued expenses (Note 6) | 1,149,758 | 733,711 |
| Current portion of note payable | 7,294 | - |
| Total current liabilities | 1,304,999 | 811,292 |
| Note payable, net of current portion | 42,706 | - |
| Total liabilities | 1,347,705 | 811,292 |
| Commitments (Note 8) | | |
| Stockholders' equity (deficiency): | | |
| Preferred stock, \$.01 par value: | | |
| Authorized shares – 10,000,000 | | |
| Series B convertible preferred stock, \$1,000 stated value; 100 shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017 | 76,095 | 76,095 |
| Series C convertible preferred stock, \$1,000 stated value; 2,570 shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017 | 842,990 | 842,990 |
| | - | 980,000 |

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|---|--------------|--------------|
| Series D convertible preferred stock, \$1,000 stated value; -0- and 1,000 shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017 | | |
| Series E convertible preferred stock, \$1,000 stated value; 1,200 and -0- shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017 | 1,190,000 | - |
| Common stock, \$.001 par value: | | |
| Authorized shares – 600,000,000 | | |
| Issued and outstanding shares – 178,403,476 and 106,736,810 at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017 | 178,403 | 106,737 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 36,830,813 | 35,589,911 |
| Accumulated deficit | (39,842,539) | (37,916,790) |
| Total stockholders' equity (deficiency) | (724,238) | (321,057) |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity (deficiency) | \$623,467 | \$490,235 |

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

GEOVAX LABS, INC.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Unaudited)

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|----------------|
| | 2018 | 2017 | 2018 | 2017 |
| Grant and collaboration revenue | \$349,344 | \$247,994 | \$663,908 | \$895,866 |
| Operating expenses: | | | | |
| Research and development | 557,696 | 498,200 | 1,416,892 | 1,568,093 |
| General and administrative | 458,974 | 340,143 | 1,175,399 | 985,001 |
| Total operating expenses | 1,016,670 | 838,343 | 2,592,291 | 2,553,094 |
| Loss from operations | (667,326) | (590,349) | (1,928,383) | (1,657,228) |
| Other income (expense): | | | | |
| Interest income | 1,058 | 1,592 | 4,092 | 3,249 |
| Interest expense | (625) | - | (1,458) | - |
| Total other income (expense) | 433 | 1,592 | 2,634 | 3,249 |
| Net loss | \$(666,893) | \$(588,757) | \$(1,925,749) | \$(1,653,979) |
| Basic and diluted: | | | | |
| Loss per common share | \$(0.00) | \$(0.01) | \$(0.01) | \$(0.03) |
| Weighted averages shares outstanding | 167,407,100 | 67,000,857 | 149,761,230 | 60,757,109 |

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

GEOVAX LABS, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Unaudited)

| | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|---|------------------------------------|---------------|
| | 2018 | 2017 |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | |
| Net loss | \$(1,925,749) | \$(1,653,979) |
| Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 14,881 | 20,694 |
| Stock-based compensation expense | 275,425 | 43,535 |
| Changes in assets and liabilities: | | |
| Grant funds receivable | 45,001 | (61,821) |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 62,544 | 49,855 |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | 486,413 | 361,695 |
| Total adjustments | 884,264 | 413,958 |
| Net cash used in operating activities | (1,041,485) | (1,240,021) |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | |
| Purchase of property and equipment | - | (4,350) |
| Net cash used in investing activities | - | (4,350) |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | |
| Net proceeds from sale of preferred stock | 1,190,000 | 980,000 |
| Net proceeds from sale of common stock | - | 154,167 |
| Proceeds from issuance of note payable | 50,000 | - |
| Net cash provided by financing activities | 1,240,000 | 1,134,167 |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 198,515 | (110,204) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 312,727 | 454,030 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$511,242 | \$343,826 |

Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:

During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, 1,000 shares of Series D Convertible Preferred Stock were converted into 66,666,666 shares of common stock. During the nine months ended September 30, 2017, 178 shares of Series C Convertible Preferred Stock were converted into 11,862,000 shares of common stock (Note 9).

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

GEOVAX LABS, INC.

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

September 30, 2018

(unaudited)

1. Description of Business

GeoVax Labs, Inc. (“GeoVax” or the “Company”), is a clinical-stage biotechnology company developing human vaccines using our novel vaccine platform. Our current development programs are focused on preventive vaccines against Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), Zika Virus, hemorrhagic fever viruses (Ebola, Sudan, Marburg, Lassa), and malaria, as well as therapeutic vaccines for chronic Hepatitis B infections and cancers. We believe our technology and vaccine development expertise are well-suited for a variety of human infectious diseases and we intend to pursue further expansion of our product pipeline.

Certain of our vaccine development activities have been, and continue to be, financially supported by the U.S. government. This support has been both in the form of research grants and contracts awarded directly to us, as well as indirect support for the conduct of preclinical animal studies and human clinical trials.

We operate in a highly regulated and competitive environment. The manufacturing and marketing of pharmaceutical products require approval from, and are subject to, ongoing oversight by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in the United States, by the European Medicines Agency (EMA) in the European Union, and by comparable agencies in other countries. Obtaining approval for a new pharmaceutical product is never certain, may take many years and often involves expenditure of substantial resources. Our goal is to build a profitable company by generating income from products we develop and commercialize, either alone or with one or more potential strategic partners.

GeoVax is incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware and our principal offices are located in Smyrna, Georgia (metropolitan Atlanta area).

2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements at September 30, 2018 and for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 are unaudited, but include all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring entries, which we believe to be necessary for a fair presentation of the dates and periods presented. Interim results are not necessarily indicative of results for a full year. The financial statements should be read in conjunction with our audited consolidated financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017. We expect our operating results to fluctuate for the foreseeable future; therefore, period-to-period comparisons should not be relied upon as predictive of the results in future periods.

Our financial statements have been prepared assuming that we will continue as a going concern, which contemplates realization of assets and the satisfaction of liabilities in the normal course of business for the twelve-month period following the date of the financial statements. We are devoting substantially all of our present efforts to research and development of our vaccine candidates. We have funded our activities to date from government grants and clinical trial assistance, and from sales of our equity securities. We will continue to require substantial funds to continue these activities.

We believe that our existing cash resources and government funding commitments will be sufficient to continue our planned operations into January 2019. Due to our history of operating losses and our continuing need for capital to conduct our research and development activities, there is substantial doubt concerning our ability to operate as a going concern beyond that date. We are currently exploring sources of capital through additional government grants and corporate collaborations. We also intend to secure additional funds through sales of our equity securities or by other means. Management believes that we will be successful in securing the additional capital required to continue the Company's planned operations, but that our plans do not fully alleviate the substantial doubt about the Company's ability to operate as a going concern. Additional funding may not be available on favorable terms or at all. If we fail to obtain additional capital when needed, we will be required to delay, scale back, or eliminate some or all of our research and development programs as well as reduce our general and administrative expenses.

3. Significant Accounting Policies and Recent Accounting Pronouncements

We disclosed in Note 2 to our consolidated financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 those accounting policies that we consider significant in determining our results of operations and financial position. Other than as described below, there have been no material changes to, or in the application of, the accounting policies previously identified and described in the Form 10-K.

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* (ASU 2014-09), which creates a new Topic, Accounting Standards Codification Topic 606. The standard is principle-based and provides a five-step model to determine when and how revenue is recognized. The core principle is that an entity should recognize revenue when it transfers promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. We adopted ASU 2014-09 effective January 1, 2018; such adoption had no material impact on our financial statements.

In May 2017, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2017-09, *Scope of Modification Accounting* (ASU 2017-09), which amends Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718, Compensation – Stock Compensation. ASU 2017-09 is an attempt to provide clarity and reduce both (1) diversity in practice and (2) cost and complexity when applying the guidance in Topic 718 to a change to the terms or conditions of a share-based payment award. We adopted ASU 2017-09 effective January 1, 2018; such adoption had no material impact on our financial statements.

In June 2018, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2018-07, *Improvements to Nonemployee Share-Based Payment Accounting* (ASU 2018-07), that expands the scope of Topic 718 to include share-based payment transactions for acquiring goods and services from nonemployees. The guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim reporting periods within that fiscal year. We are currently evaluating the impact of the adoption of ASU 2018-07 on our financial statements.

There have been no other recent accounting pronouncements or changes in accounting pronouncements during the nine months ended September 30, 2018, as compared to the recent accounting pronouncements described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, which we expect to have a material impact on our financial statements.

4. Basic and Diluted Loss Per Common Share

Basic net loss per share is computed using the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted net loss per share is computed using the weighted-average number of common shares and potentially dilutive common share equivalents outstanding during the period. Potentially dilutive common share equivalents consist of convertible preferred stock, stock options and stock purchase warrants. Common share equivalents which potentially could dilute basic earnings per share in the future, and which were excluded from the computation of diluted loss per share, as the effect would be anti-dilutive, totaled approximately 276.0 million and 277.5 million shares at September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

5. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment as shown on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets is composed of the following as of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017:

| | September 30, 2018 | December 31, 2017 |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Laboratory equipment | \$530,306 | \$530,306 |
| Leasehold improvements | 115,605 | 115,605 |
| Other furniture, fixtures & equipment | 28,685 | 28,685 |
| Total property and equipment | 674,596 | 674,596 |
| Accumulated depreciation and amortization | (658,326) | (643,445) |
| Property and equipment, net | \$16,270 | \$31,151 |

6. Accrued Expenses

Accrued expenses as shown on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets is composed of the following as of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017:

| | September 30, 2018 | December 31, 2017 |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Accrued management salaries | \$816,715 | \$532,615 |
| Accrued directors' fees | 265,420 | 182,620 |
| Other accrued expenses | 67,623 | 18,476 |
| Total accrued expenses | \$1,149,758 | \$733,711 |

7. Note Payable

On February 28, 2018, we entered into a Senior Note Purchase Agreement with Georgia Research Alliance, Inc. (GRA) pursuant to which we issued a five-year Senior Promissory Note (the “Note”) to GRA in exchange for \$50,000. The Note bears an annual interest rate of 5%, payable monthly, with principal repayments beginning in the second year. Principal repayments are expected to be \$-0- in 2018, \$10,417 in 2019, \$12,500 in 2020, 2021 and 2022, and \$2,083 in 2023. In connection with the Note, we also issued to GRA a five-year warrant to purchase 178,571 shares of our common stock (see Note 9). Interest expense related to the Note for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 was \$625 and \$1,458, respectively.

8. Commitments

We lease approximately 8,400 square feet of office and laboratory space pursuant to an operating lease which expires on December 31, 2019, with annual extension options through December 31, 2022. As of September 30, 2018, our future minimum lease payments total \$200,402, \$39,136 of which will be payable during 2018 and \$161,266 in 2019. In the normal course of business, we may enter into various firm purchase commitments related to our research-related activities and, as of September 30, 2018, such unrecorded outstanding purchase commitments totaled approximately \$209,000, all of which we expect to be reimbursable to us pursuant to our existing government grants.

9. Stockholders' Equity

Series B Convertible Preferred Stock

As of September 30, 2018, there are 100 shares of our Series B Convertible Preferred Stock (“Series B Preferred Stock”) outstanding. The Series B Preferred Stock may be converted at any time at the option of the holder into shares of our common stock at a conversion price of \$0.35 per share, or 285,714 shares. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, there were no conversions or other transactions involving our Series B Preferred Stock.

Series C Convertible Preferred Stock

As of September 30, 2018, there are 2,570 shares of our Series C Convertible Preferred Stock (“Series C Preferred Stock”) outstanding. The Series C Preferred Stock may be converted at any time at the option of the holder into shares of our common stock at a conversion price of \$0.015 per share, or 171,349,733 shares. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, there were no conversions or other transactions involving our Series C Preferred Stock.

Series D Convertible Preferred Stock

As of September 30, 2018, there are no shares of our Series D Convertible Preferred Stock (“Series D Preferred Stock”) outstanding. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, 1,000 shares of our Series D Preferred Stock were converted into 66,666,666 shares of our common stock.

Series E Convertible Preferred Stock

In March 2018, we issued 600 shares of our Series E Convertible Preferred Stock, \$1,000 stated value (“Series E Preferred Stock”), for net proceeds, after deduction of certain expenses, of \$590,000. In September 2018, we issued an additional 600 shares of Series E Preferred Stock for net proceeds of \$600,000.

Each share of Series E Preferred Stock is entitled to a liquidation preference equal to the initial purchase price, has no voting rights, and is not entitled to a dividend. The Series E Preferred Stock is convertible at any time at the option of the holders into shares of our common stock, with a current conversion price of \$0.02544 per share. The Series E Preferred Shares contains price adjustment provisions, which may, under certain circumstances reduce the conversion price to match if we sell or grant options to purchase, including rights to reprice, our common stock or common stock equivalents at a price lower than the then conversion price of the Series E Preferred Stock, or if we announce plans to do so.

In connection with the Series E Preferred Stock issuance in September 2018, we also issued the purchasers Series G Warrants to purchase an aggregate of up to 47,169,812 shares of our common stock. The warrants have an exercise price of \$0.02544 per share, are exercisable once they have been outstanding for six months and have a term equal to 3 years from the date of issuance. The warrants contain anti-dilution and price adjustment provisions, which may, under certain circumstances reduce the exercise price to match if we sell or grant options to purchase, including rights to reprice, our common stock or common stock equivalents at a price lower than the then exercise price of the warrants, or if we announce plans to do so. The number of shares subject to warrants will not increase due to such reductions in exercise price.

We assessed the Series E Preferred Stock under ASC Topic 480, “*Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity*” (“ASC 480”), ASC Topic 815, “*Derivatives and Hedging*” (“ASC 815”), and ASC Topic 470, “*Debt*” (“ASC 470”). The preferred stock contains an embedded feature allowing an optional conversion by the holder into common stock which meets the definition of a derivative. However, we determined that the preferred stock is an “equity host” (as described by ASC 815) for purposes of assessing the embedded derivative for potential bifurcation and that the optional conversion feature is clearly and closely associated to the preferred stock host; therefore, the embedded derivative does not require bifurcation and separate recognition under ASC 815.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, there were no conversions or other transactions involving our Series E Preferred Stock except as described above.

Common Stock Transactions

As discussed above, during the nine months ended September 30, 2018, we issued 66,666,666 shares of our common stock pursuant to the conversion of 1,000 shares of our Series D Preferred Stock.

In February 2018, we issued 5,000,000 shares of our common stock in connection with our entering into a financial advisory and investment banking agreement (see “Stock-Based Compensation Expense” below).

Stock Options

The following table presents a summary of our stock option transactions during the nine months ended September 30, 2018:

| | Number of Shares | Weighted Average Exercise Price |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Outstanding at December 31, 2017 | 7,024,275 | \$ 0.29 |
| Granted | 3,000,000 | 0.03 |
| Exercised | -- | -- |
| Forfeited or expired | (169,334) | 2.46 |
| Outstanding at September 30, 2018 | 9,854,941 | \$ 0.17 |

Exercisable at September 30, 2018 4,890,618 \$ 0.29

Stock Purchase Warrants

On February 28, 2018, in connection with issuance of the note payable discussed in Note 7, we issued a five-year warrant to purchase 178,571 shares of our common stock at a purchase price of \$0.042 per share. On September 5, 2018, in connection with issuance of Series E Preferred Stock discussed above, we issued three-year warrants to purchase an aggregate of 47,169,812 shares of our common stock at a purchase price of \$0.02544 per share. We had no other stock purchase warrants outstanding at September 30, 2018.

Stock-Based Compensation Expense

Stock-based compensation expense related to our stock option plans was \$85,370 and \$132,569 for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018, respectively, as compared to \$14,433 and \$43,535 for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2017, respectively. Stock-based compensation expense for stock options is recognized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period for the award and is allocated to research and development expense or general and administrative expense based upon the related employee classification. As of September 30, 2018, there was \$145,230 of unrecognized compensation expense related to stock options, which we expect to recognize over a weighted average period of 1.9 years.

Additionally, during the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 we recorded stock-based compensation expense of \$57,143 and \$142,856, respectively, associated with common stock issued for financial advisory services. As of September 30, 2018, there was \$57,143 of unrecognized stock-based compensation expense associated with this arrangement, which we expect to recognize during the remainder of 2018 and the first half of 2019.

10. Income Taxes

Because of our historically significant net operating losses, we have not paid income taxes since inception. We maintain deferred tax assets that reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. These deferred tax assets are comprised primarily of net operating loss carryforwards and also include amounts relating to nonqualified stock options and research and development credits. The net deferred tax asset has been fully offset by a valuation allowance because of the uncertainty of our future profitability and our ability to utilize the deferred tax assets. Utilization of operating losses and credits will be subject to substantial annual limitations due to ownership change provisions of Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code. The annual limitation will result in the expiration of net operating losses and credits before utilization.

11. Grants and Collaboration Revenue

We receive payments from government entities under our grants from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) and from the U.S. Department of Defense in support of our vaccine research and development efforts. We record revenue associated with government grants as the reimbursable costs are incurred. During the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018, we recorded \$340,716 and \$650,280, respectively, of revenues associated with these grants, as compared to \$247,994 and \$800,866, respectively, for the comparable periods of 2017. As of September 30, 2018, there is an aggregate of \$2,873,542 in approved grant and contract funds available for use.

During the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018, we recorded \$8,628 and \$13,628, respectively, of revenues associated with research collaboration agreements with several third parties, as compared to \$-0- and \$95,000, respectively, for the comparable periods of 2017.

12. Subsequent Events

In October 2018, we issued 5,000,000 shares of our common stock related to an agreement for capital market and business advisory services. In connection with the issuance we will recognize stock-based compensation expense of \$129,750 over the six-month term of the engagement.

In October 2018, we issued 7,500,000 shares of our common stock related to an amendment to a financial advisory and investment banking agreement. In connection with the amendment, we eliminated \$56,250 of cash retainer fees accrued as of September 30, 2018. In connection with the common stock issuance, we will recognize stock-based compensation expense of \$127,500 over the term of the agreement through June 30, 2019.

During October 2018, 90 shares of our Series C Preferred Stock were converted into 6,000,000 shares of our common stock.

Item 2 Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition And Results of Operations

FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

In addition to historical information, the information included in this Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve numerous risks and uncertainties, including but not limited to the risk factors set forth under the heading “Risk Factors” in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017, and should not be relied upon as predictions of future events. Certain such forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as “believes,” “expects,” “may,” “will,” “should,” “seeks,” “approximately,” “intends,” “plans,” “pro forma,” “estimates,” or “anticipates” or other variations thereof or comparable terminology, or by discussions of strategy, plans, or intentions. Such forward-looking statements are necessarily dependent on assumptions, data, or methods that may be incorrect or imprecise and may be incapable of being realized. The following factors, among others, could cause actual results and future events to differ materially from those set forth or contemplated in the forward-looking statements:

whether we can raise additional capital as and when we need it;
whether we are successful in developing our products;
whether we are able to obtain regulatory approvals in the United States and other countries for sale of our products;
whether we can compete successfully with others in our market; and
whether we are adversely affected in our efforts to raise cash by the volatility and disruption of local and national economic, credit and capital markets and the economy in general.

Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, which reflect our management’s analysis only. We assume no obligation to update forward-looking statements.

Overview

GeoVax is a clinical-stage biotechnology company developing human vaccines against infectious diseases and cancer using a novel patented Modified Vaccinia Ankara-Virus Like Particle (MVA-VLP) vaccine platform. In this platform, MVA, a large virus capable of carrying several vaccine antigens, expresses proteins that assemble into highly effective VLP immunogens in the person being vaccinated. The MVA-VLP derived vaccines elicit durable immune responses in the host similar to a live-attenuated virus, while providing the safety characteristics of a replication-defective vector.

Our current development programs are focused on preventive vaccines against Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), Zika Virus, hemorrhagic fever viruses (Ebola, Sudan, Marburg, and Lassa), and malaria, as well as therapeutic vaccines for chronic Hepatitis B infections and cancers. Our most advanced vaccine program is focused on the clade B subtype of HIV prevalent in the larger commercial markets of the Americas, Western Europe, Japan and Australia; this program is currently undergoing human clinical trials.

Our corporate strategy is to advance and protect our vaccine platform and use its unique capabilities to design and develop an array of products. We aim to advance products through to human clinical testing, and to seek partnership or licensing arrangements for commercialization. We will also leverage third party resources through collaborations and partnerships for preclinical and clinical testing. Our collaborators and partners include the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the HIV Vaccines Trial Network (HVTN), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), United States Army Research Institute of Infectious Disease (USAMRIID), U.S. Naval Research Laboratory (USNRL), Emory University, University of Pittsburgh, Georgia State University Research Foundation, Peking University, University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB), the Institute of Human Virology (IHV) at the University of Maryland, the Scripps Research Institute (TSRI), Burnet Institute in Australia, American Gene Technologies, Inc. (AGT), ViaMune, Inc., Vaxcel Holding SA, and CaroGen Corporation.

We have not generated any revenues from the sale of any such products, and we do not expect to generate any such revenues for at least the next several years. Our product candidates will require significant additional research and development efforts, including extensive preclinical and clinical testing. All product candidates that we advance to clinical testing will require regulatory approval prior to commercial use and will require significant costs for commercialization. We may not be successful in our research and development efforts, and we may never generate sufficient product revenue to be profitable.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our estimates make adjustments as necessary. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ materially from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

For a description of critical accounting policies that affect our significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our financial statements, refer to Item 7 in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and Note 2 to our Consolidated Financial Statements contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017. There have been no significant changes to our critical accounting policies from those disclosed in our 2017 Annual Report.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Information regarding recent accounting pronouncements is contained in Note 3 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, included in this Quarterly Report.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our principal uses of cash are to finance our research and development activities. Since inception, we have funded these activities primarily from government grants and clinical trial assistance, and from sales of our equity securities. At September 30, 2018, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$511,242 and total assets of \$623,467, as compared to \$312,727 and \$490,235, respectively, at December 31, 2017. At September 30, 2018, we had a working capital deficit of \$708,812, compared to a deficit of \$363,218 at December 31, 2017. Our current liabilities at September 30, 2018 include \$1,082,135 of accrued management salaries and director fees, payment of which is continuing to be deferred as discussed further below.

Net cash used in operating activities was \$1,041,485 and \$1,240,021 for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The variances between periods are due to fluctuations in our net losses, offset by non-cash charges such as depreciation and stock-based compensation expense, and by net changes in our assets and liabilities. Our net losses generally fluctuate based on expenditures for our research activities, partially offset by government grant revenues. As of September 30, 2018, there is \$2,881,638 in approved grant funds available for use. See “Results of Operations – Grant and Collaboration Revenues” below for additional details concerning our government grants.

Members of our executive management team and our board of directors have deferred receipt of portions of their salaries and fees in order to help conserve the Company's cash resources. As of September 30, 2018, the accumulated deferrals totaled \$1,082,135. We expect the ongoing deferrals of approximately \$36,200 per month for the management salaries to continue until such time as a significant financing event (as determined by the board of directors) is consummated.

NIAID has funded the costs of conducting all of our human clinical trials (Phase 1 and Phase 2a) to date for our preventive HIV vaccines, with GeoVax incurring certain costs associated with manufacturing the clinical vaccine supplies and other study support. NIAID is also currently funding the cost of an ongoing Phase 1 trial (HVTN 114), which is investigating the effect of adding a "protein boost" component to our vaccine, GOVX-B11. Planning is also underway for an additional Phase 1 trial to further evaluate the safety and immunogenicity of these proteins, together with GOVX-B11, in humans, which we expect to begin in the first half of 2019. Based on the results from these studies, we expect NIAID may then be ready to support a large phase 2b efficacy trial.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$-0- and \$4,350 for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Our investing activities have consisted predominantly of capital expenditures.

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$1,240,000 and \$1,134,167 for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. During February 2018, we entered into a Senior Note Purchase Agreement with Georgia Research Alliance, Inc. pursuant to which we issued a five-year Senior Promissory Note (the "Note") for \$50,000. The Note bears an annual interest rate of 5%, payable monthly, with principal repayments beginning in the second year. During March and September 2018, we sold shares of our Series E convertible preferred stock for total net proceeds of \$1,190,000. During March and April 2017, warrants to purchase shares of our common stock were exercised for total net proceeds of \$154,167. During May 2017, we sold shares of our Series D convertible preferred stock to certain institutional investors for net proceeds of \$980,000.

As of September 30, 2018, we had an accumulated deficit of \$39.8 million. We expect for the foreseeable future we will continue to operate at a loss. The amount of the accumulated deficit will continue to increase, as it will be expensive to continue our research and development efforts. We will continue to require substantial funds to continue our activities and cannot predict the outcome of our efforts. We believe that our existing cash resources, combined with funding from existing NIH grants and clinical trial support will be sufficient to fund our planned operations to mid-January 2019. We will require additional funds to continue our planned operations beyond that date. We are currently seeking sources of capital through additional government grant programs and clinical trial support, and we may also conduct additional offerings of our equity securities. However, additional funding may not be available on favorable terms or at all and if we fail to obtain additional capital when needed, we may be required to delay, scale back, or eliminate some or all of our research and development programs as well as reduce our general and administrative expenses.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements that are likely or reasonably likely to have a material effect on our financial condition or results of operations.

Contractual Obligations

As of September 30, 2018, we had noncancelable lease obligations and other firm purchase obligations totaling approximately \$409,000, as compared to approximately \$235,000 at December 31, 2017. We have no committed lines of credit and no other committed funding or long-term debt, with the exception of the \$50,000 note payable to GRA. We have employment agreements with our senior management team, each of which may be terminated with 30 days advance notice. There have been no other material changes to the table presented in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017.

Results of Operations

Net Loss

We recorded a net loss of \$666,893 for the three months ended September 30, 2018, as compared to \$588,757 for the three months ended September 30, 2017. For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, we recorded a net loss of \$1,925,749, as compared to \$1,653,979 for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Our net losses will typically fluctuate due to the timing of activities and related costs associated with our vaccine research and development activities and our general and administrative costs, as described in more detail below.

Grant and Collaboration Revenues

During the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018, we recorded grant and collaboration revenues of \$349,344 and \$663,908, respectively, as compared to \$247,994 and \$895,866, respectively, during the comparable periods of 2017. Additional detail concerning our grant revenues and the remaining funds available for use as of September 30, 2018 is presented in the table below. Grant revenues relate to grants and contracts from agencies of the U.S. government in support of our vaccine development activities. We record revenue associated with these grants as the related costs and expenses are incurred. The difference in our grant revenues from period to period is dependent upon our expenditures for activities supported by the grants and fluctuates based on the timing of the expenditures.

| | Grant Revenues Recorded During the Periods | | | | Unused Funds Available at |
|------------------------------------|--|-----------|-------------------|-----------|---------------------------|
| | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | | |
| | September 30, | | September 30, | | September 30, |
| | 2018 | 2017 | 2018 | 2017 | 2018 |
| Zika – SBIR Grant | \$251,523 | \$38,150 | \$305,657 | \$38,150 | \$219,988 |
| Lassa Fever – SBIR Grant | 41,582 | - | 73,816 | - | 226,004 |
| Lassa Fever – U.S Army Grant | 14,757 | - | 14,757 | - | 2,427,550 |
| HIV – SBIR Grant | 32,854 | 185,909 | 256,050 | 493,132 | - |
| HIV – SBIR Grant | - | - | - | 158,972 | - |
| HIV – Vaccine Development Contract | - | 23,935 | - | 110,612 | - |
| Total Grant Revenues | \$340,716 | \$247,994 | \$650,280 | \$800,866 | \$2,873,542 |

In addition to the grant revenues above, during the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018, we recorded \$8,628 and \$13,628, respectfully, of revenue associated with several research collaborations with third parties. These amounts primarily represent amounts paid to us by the other parties for materials and other costs associated with joint studies.

In March 2017, we entered into a collaboration with American Gene Technologies International, Inc. (AGT) whereby AGT intends to conduct a Phase 1 human clinical trial with our combined technologies, with the goal of developing a functional cure for HIV infection. The cost of the clinical trial (expected to begin in early 2019) will be borne by AGT. The primary objectives of the trial will be to assess the safety and efficacy of the therapy, with secondary objectives to assess the immune responses as a measure of efficacy. In exchange for use of our vaccine product in the clinical trial, AGT paid us a fee of \$95,000 which we received during the second quarter of 2017 and which we recorded as revenue during the nine-month period ended September 30, 2017. No commercial rights or licenses have yet been granted to AGT.

Research and Development Expenses

During the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018, we recorded research and development expense of \$557,696 and \$1,416,892, respectively, as compared to \$498,200 and \$1,568,093, respectively, during the comparable periods of 2017. Research and development expense for the three-month and nine-month periods of 2018 includes stock-based compensation expense of \$10,759 and \$32,221 respectively, as compared to \$6,513 and \$19,775, respectively, for the comparable periods of 2017 (see discussion under “Stock-Based Compensation Expense” below).

Our research and development expenses can fluctuate considerably on a period-to-period basis, depending on our need for vaccine manufacturing by third parties, the timing of expenditures related to our government grants, the timing of costs associated with any clinical trials being funded directly by us, and other factors. Research and development expenses increased by \$59,496, or 11.9%, during the three-month period ended September 30, 2018 as compared to 2017, but decreased by \$151,201, or 9.6%, during the nine-month period ended September 30, 2018 as compared to 2017. These fluctuations are primarily due to the timing of expenditures related to our government grants. Our research and development costs do not include costs incurred by the HVTN in conducting clinical trials of our preventive HIV vaccines; those costs are funded directly to the HVTN by NIAID.

We do not disclose our research and development expenses by project, since our employees' time is spread across multiple programs and our laboratory facility is used for multiple vaccine candidates. We track the direct cost of research and development expenses related to government grant revenue by the percentage of assigned employees' time spent on each grant and other direct costs associated with each grant. Indirect costs associated with grants are not tracked separately but are applied based on a contracted overhead rate negotiated with the NIH. Therefore, the recorded revenues associated with government grants approximates the costs incurred.

We do not provide forward-looking estimates of costs and time to complete our research programs due to the many uncertainties associated with vaccine development. Due to these uncertainties, our future expenditures are likely to be highly volatile in future periods depending on the outcomes of the trials and studies. As we obtain data from pre-clinical studies and clinical trials, we may elect to discontinue or delay vaccine development programs to focus our resources on more promising vaccine candidates. Completion of preclinical studies and human clinical trials may take several years or more, but the length of time can vary substantially depending upon several factors. The duration and the cost of future clinical trials may vary significantly over the life of the project because of differences arising during development of the human clinical trial protocols, including the number of patients that ultimately participate in the clinical trial; the duration of patient follow-up that seems appropriate in view of the results; the number of clinical sites included in the clinical trials; and the length of time required to enroll suitable patient subjects.

General and Administrative Expenses

During the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018, we recorded general and administrative expense of \$458,974 and \$1,175,399, respectively, as compared to \$340,143 and \$985,001, respectively, during the comparable periods of 2017. General and administrative costs include officers' salaries, legal and accounting costs, patent costs, and other general corporate expenses. General and administrative expense for the three-month and nine-month periods of 2018 include stock-based compensation expense of \$131,754 and \$243,204, respectively; as compared to \$7,920 and \$23,760, respectively, for the comparable periods of 2017 (see discussion under "Stock-Based Compensation Expense" below). Excluding stock-based compensation expense, general and administrative expenses were \$327,220 and \$932,195 during the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018, respectively, as compared to \$332,223 and \$961,241, respectively during the comparable periods of 2017. We expect that our general and administrative costs may increase in the future in support of expanded research and development activities and other general corporate activities.

Stock-Based Compensation Expense

For the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, the components of stock-based compensation expense were as follows:

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|--|--|----------|---------------------------------------|----------|
| | 2018 | 2017 | 2018 | 2017 |
| Stock option expense | \$85,370 | \$14,433 | \$132,569 | \$43,535 |
| Stock issued for services | 57,143 | - | 142,856 | - |
| Total stock-based compensation expense | \$142,513 | \$14,433 | \$275,425 | \$43,535 |

In general, stock-based compensation expense is allocated to research and development expense or general and administrative expense according to the classification of cash compensation paid to the employee, consultant or director to whom the stock compensation was granted. For the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 stock-based compensation expense was allocated as follows:

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|------------------------------------|--|---------|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Expense Allocated to: | 2018 | 2017 | 2018 | 2017 |
| General and administrative expense | \$131,754 | \$7,920 | \$243,204 | \$23,760 |

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|--|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Research and development expense | 10,759 | 6,513 | 32,221 | 19,775 |
| Total stock-based compensation expense | \$142,513 | \$14,433 | \$275,425 | \$43,535 |

Other Income (Expense)

Interest income for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 was \$1,058 and \$4,092, respectively, as compared to \$1,592 and \$3,249, respectively, for comparable periods of 2017. The variances between periods are primarily attributable to cash available for investment and interest rate fluctuations. Interest expense for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 was \$625 and \$1,458, respectively, related to the note payable issued to the GRA in February 2018; there was no interest expense during the comparable periods in 2017.

Item 3 Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Not applicable.

Item 4 Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures

Disclosure controls and procedures are controls and other procedures that are designed to ensure that the information required to be disclosed in reports filed or submitted under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (Exchange Act), is (1) recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms and (2) accumulated and communicated to management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Principal Financial and Accounting Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Our management has carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our Principal Executive Officer and our Principal Financial and Accounting Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15 as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this report, our disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms.

Changes in internal control over financial reporting

There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the three months ended September 30, 2018 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II -- OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1 Legal Proceedings

None.

Item 1A Risk Factors

For information regarding factors that could affect our results of operations, financial condition or liquidity, see the risk factors discussed under “Risk Factors” in Item 1A of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K. See also “Forward-Looking Statements,” included in Item 2 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. There have been no material changes from the risk factors previously disclosed in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Item 2 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

None not previously disclosed on Form 8-K.

Item 3 Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

Item 4 Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable

Item 5 Other Information

During the period covered by this report, there was no information required to be disclosed by us in a Current Report on Form 8-K that was not so reported, nor were there any material changes to the procedures by which our security holders may recommend nominees to our board of directors.

Item 6 Exhibits

The exhibits filed with this report are set forth on the exhibit index following the signature page and are incorporated by reference in their entirety into this item.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this quarterly report on Form 10-Q to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

GEOVAX LABS, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: November 8, 2018 By: /s/ Mark W. Reynolds
Mark W. Reynolds

Chief Financial Officer

(duly authorized officer and principal
financial officer)

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit

Number Description

- 4.1 Certificate of Designation of Preferences, Rights and Limitations of Series E Convertible Preferred Stock filed March 5, 2018 (1)
- 4.2 Form of Stock Certificate for the Series E Convertible Preferred Stock (1)
- 10.1** Employment Agreement with David Dodd, dated September 1, 2018 (3)
- 10.2* 2016 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended
- 10.3 Form of Securities Purchase Agreement dated March 5, 2018 (1)
- 10.4* Form of Additional Securities Purchase Agreement, dated September 5, 2018
- 10.5 Senior Note Purchase Agreement between Georgia Research Alliance, Inc. and GeoVax Labs, Inc., dated February 28, 2018 (2)
- 10.6 Common Stock Purchase Warrant dated February 28, 2018 (2)
- 10.7* Form of Series G Common Stock Purchase Warrant
- 10.8 Agreement with Maxim Group LLC, dated February 14, 2018 (2)
- 10.9* Amendment to Agreement with Maxim Group LLC, dated October 19, 2018
- 10.10* Consulting Agreement with Bespoke Growth Partners, Inc., dated October 12, 2018
- 31.1* Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
- 31.2* Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
- 32.1* Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 32.2* Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- The following financial information from GeoVax Labs, Inc. Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2018, formatted in Extensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL):
- (i) Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2018 (unaudited) and December 31, 2017,
- 101*,*** (ii) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (unaudited) for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, (iii) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited) for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, and (iv) Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited).

* Filed herewith

** Indicates a management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement

Pursuant to Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, the Interactive Data Files in Exhibit 101 hereto are deemed not filed or part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of Sections 11 or 12 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, are deemed not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and otherwise are not subject to liability under those sections

(1) Incorporated by reference from the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed March 6, 2018.

(2) Incorporated by reference from the registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed March 23, 2018

(3) Incorporated by reference from the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 7, 2018.