

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 15TH, 2016
10 AM – 11:30 AM MDT
ACADEMIC OFFICE ONE, 7TH FLOOR BOARDROOM

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Present: *John Cambier, Robert D'Ambrosia, Frank deGruy, Chip Dodd, Herman Jenkins, Brian Kavanagh, Wendy Macklin, Dennis Matthews, David Norris, Nanette Santoro, Richard Schulick, David Schwartz, Dan Theodorescu, Ann Thor, Vesna Todorovic, Ken Tyler*

Other Attendees and Non-Voting members: *Will Cook, Mark Couch, Steven Lowenstein, Thomas Meyer, Jennifer Richer, Suzann Ruedeman, Ron Sokol, Cheryl Welch*

Call to Order

A quorum was present and the meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. MST.

I. Greeting

II. Approval of Minutes

The February 16, 2016 meeting minutes were unanimously approved as written.

III. Dean's Updates: 1. New leadership at Children's Hospital: David Biggerstaff, former Chief Operating Officer at the Children's Medical Center of Dallas, was appointed the new Chief Operating Officer, and will be starting in April. 2. Legislative updates: the State Attorney General's office, under the direction of Colorado Attorney General Cynthia Coffman, announced that the state's hospital provider fee meets legal standards required to be declared an enterprise. Unless the Hospital Provider Fee is reclassified as an enterprise in the state budget, there will be a decrease of \$1.6 million in state appropriations to the School of Medicine, and a \$14 million decrease in Medicaid collection, a disproportionate amount of which is in child health. 3. The Physical Therapy program recognized scholarship recipients and expressed their appreciation towards University Physicians, Inc., (UPI), which agreed to provide \$500,000 for scholarships for the upcoming year; 4. Terri Blevins, EdD, announced she is taking job in University of Illinois system. The School of Medicine is looking for one or more people to take over the role of Assistant Dean for Student Affairs. The job description was distributed in the weekly dean's update. Please contact the Dean's office for more information.

IV. Discussion Items

- A. Updates on Research Space (Dr. Reilly):** Dr. Peter Buttrick, Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, has introduced the reallocation of research space on campus. Many departments have recruits who need laboratory space and many would like to realign the location of investigators to promote collaboration within and across departments. Suzann Ruedeman, Director of Facilities, and Dr. Buttrick have been providing answers regarding funding sources and research space allocation. Short-term priorities will be made for recruits and those who have been given commitments for research space.
- B. Affiliate Updates from VA and Denver Health (Dr. Reilly):** Sallie Houser-Hanfelder, the new Director of the Veterans Affairs Eastern Colorado Health Care System, attended the faculty senate meeting the previous week. She announced the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers has taken over construction of the new VA hospital adjacent to the Anschutz Medical Campus, which is on track for completion in early 2018. It is not clear yet how the VA will be staging the opening of facilities and when various programs will move out to campus.

Denver Health: There have been a number of important clinical departures at Denver Health since last August, including surgery, medicine, ophthalmology, emergency medicine, neurosurgery staff, head of Cath lab, and half a dozen hospitalists have announced their departure. The hospital's medical staff executive committee met with Denver Health leadership and the hospital announced a reorganization of the leadership structure at Denver Health. Denver Health is in the final stages of the search for a new director of surgery. There is also a search for a new director of medicine. Denver Health also has discussed with Dr. Kevin Lillehei, Chair of Neurosurgery, and the Department of Neurosurgery a plan to assist in coverage starting in April. There is no plan to pull residents out of Denver Health, as it continues to be a valuable learning environment by residents and fellows and provides a learning experience for residents unlike what they get on the Anschutz Medical Campus and at the VA. Denver Health continues to be an important training site for the School of Medicine's medical students, residents, and fellows. The School also is supportive of Denver Health's mission of providing care to an underserved population.

- C. Faculty Senate Updates (Jennifer Richer, PhD, President of Faculty Senate and Professor of Pathology):** Neil Krauss, Director of Special Projects for the Chancellor's Office, spoke about light rail updates and two stops that will be on campus. Sally Houser-Hanfelder, the new Director of the Eastern Colorado Health Care System, discussed that the Army Corps of Engineers will be taking over construction for the new VA and estimated completion by January 2018. Two Transformational Research funding recipients also presented their research.

Executive Session

II. APPROVAL ITEMS

- i. All Senior Clinical Appointments and Promotions Committee actions were approved.
- ii. Faculty Promotions Committee Actions: The faculty promotions committee actions were approved unanimously.

III. FYI ITEMS

- i. Personnel action FYI Reports

IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m. MST.

Minutes submitted by SOM Dean's office