

**School of Medicine Executive Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, May 15, 2012**  
**Academic Office One, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Board Room**

**Present**

**Members:** John Cambier, Robert D'Ambrosia, Fred Suchy (for Steve Daniels), Frank deGruy, Chip Dodd, Robert Freedman, Renata Gallagher, Laurie Gaspar, Ron Gill, Tom Henthorn, Randall Holmes, Todd Kingdom (for Herman Jenkins), Mark Johnston, Richard Krugman, Kevin Lillehei, Wendy Macklin, Naresh Mandava, Dennis Matthews, David Norris, Nanette Santoro, Richard Schulick, Ann Thor, Andrew Thorburn, Ken Tyler, Richard Zane

**Participants:** Terri Carrothers, George Eisenbarth, Jim Hill, Ben Honigman, Richard Johnston, Doug Jones, Steve Lowenstein, Philip Mehler (DHHA), Ellen Mangione (VA), Dan Meyers, Chris Nyquist, David Orlicky (Faculty Promotions), Chip Ridgway, Carol Rumack, Jane Schumaker, Ron Sokol, Richard Traystman, Nan LaFrance, Stephen Hawkins?

**Guests:** Mark Kochevar, Jean Hart, Tim Lockie

**I.** Greetings – Dean Krugman welcomed everyone. He also welcomed and noted that this is Richard Schulick's first "official" SOM Executive Committee Meeting as the new Chair for the Department of Surgery.

**II.** **Approval of the Minutes** – The April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012 SOM Executive Committee Meeting minutes were unanimously approved as written. A correction was made after the meeting when it was brought to our attention. The corrected meeting notes were redistributed.

**III.** **Discussion Items**

**A. Dean's Comments**

1. *Strategic Plan Update* - a contract has been signed by Navigant Consulting Group to assist with the strategic plan. The Dean intends to bring a plan and overview to the SOM Exec Committee next month and plans to have monthly updates.
2. *Support for T32s* – Dean Krugman discussed the many requests he's received for T32 grants institutional support. In the past, financial institutional support has not been the practice. Vice Chancellor Traystman has tried to support these type of grants but there are not enough resources to support them. Dr. Chris Nyquist stated that the SOM Office of Diversity and Inclusion can be a helpful tool for information and support (not financial).

**B. Search and Affiliates Updates** – *Denver Health Update* - Dr. Philip Mehler informed the committee that DH did not get the CMMI grant at this time, however there will be a second round of announcements in June. They did receive approximately \$10M to refurbish the Lowery Clinic. In the last 3 weeks, they have started a 24/7 coverage in the Hand Clinic. The Denver Health annual gala which honored retiring Patricia Gabow, CEO, was a huge success. The search for her successor has been moving swiftly, there

are 7 finalists and there should be approximately 4 candidates to be moved forward. They hope to name a finalist by the end of July or early August.

Dean Krugman mentioned that there is a joint committee with the SOM and Denver Health. He reminded the committee that if there are issues, he'd like to hear about them so that they can be addressed and handled. He would like the appropriate person to be contacted, i.e., Clinical Issues – Dr. Doug Jones, GME Issues – Dr. Carol Rumack, etc. If there are problems contacting the appropriate person, please contact Dean Krugman, Jane Schumaker or Terri Carrothers.

*Veterans Administration Update* - Dr. Ellen Mangione from the VA notified the committee that Dr. James Beck has joined the VA as the Chief of Medicine. The operating rooms at the VA have been closed since the beginning of April due to contamination issues linked to the mineralization in the water. All instruments have been replaced with new ones and most processors and sterilizers have been replaced. They hope to be fully functional by the beginning of June. There was a joint commission survey and the VA passed with flying colors. They were awarded a number of best practices. They receive quite a few referrals from around the country and hope to have the renal transplant services running by the time they move to AMC. The VA is one of the largest mental health facilities in Colorado which has prompted ongoing efforts with tele-health which is growing, providing electronic consultations in which they have 48 hours to respond.

*National Jewish Update* - Dean Krugman stated that in the past month, there have been meetings with Michael Salem, CEO at NJ to resolve the affiliation conversations surrounding combining efforts. The Dean will pull together a group to review the affiliation agreement within the next 90 days. This agreement has not been effectively managed and has caused issues regarding clinical services, location, etc.

- C. Blue Ribbon Task Force** – Associate Dean, Steven Lowenstein stated that the Blue Ribbon Task Force has completed its work and sent recommendations to the Rules and Governance committees. There is a recommendation to create a clinical series. In this series, excellence in clinical practice and at least meritorious teaching will be expected, while scholarship will be encouraged. Also included in the draft recommendations is a more clear definition of “independence” that recognizes collaborative research, plus a provision that discourages very early promotions to associate professor.
  
- D. Budget Update** – Jane Schumaker informed the committee that her office is finalizing the FY13 salary submissions. Although larger cuts were predicted earlier in the year, the economic forecast improved and AMC received approximately a 2% reduction which is being absorbed by the School, and is not being passed on to the departments. However other costs have increased. Dean Krugman stated that in December the School of Medicine was asked to provide the tuition increase for 2012-13. At that time, the economic forecast was not good and a 9% increase amount was submitted. The Dean addressed the Medical School Student Senate and the 9% in-state tuition increase cap was discussed. In the April Regent meeting, all campuses tuition rates were approved as previously submitted. Not wanting to pass on the entire 9% increase to the students, the students will be charged the 9% increase, but will receive a \$750 rebate, which will bring the tuition increase down to

6.5%. The out of State students pay an “accountable student fee”, which will remain the same.

- E. CCTSI Update** – Ron Sokol presented the committee with an update on the CCTSI. This is the year for the competing renewal for the 5 year grant. in the RFA will be received in May or June 2013 with a submission date in December. The CTSA is no longer part is in NCCR and it is now part of National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS). The SOM made institutional commitments in the first 5 years and he would like to see them continue in the second 5 years. The SOM has provided \$500,000 per year to support the Pilot Grant Program (AEF) and 25% cost share for salary and benefits based on the NIH cap, for the SOM faculty funded by CTSA grant. Dr. Sokol showed the committee the outcome of the support from the SOM which has been very successful. The ROI (return on investment) has averaged out to be 10.9:1. Other institutions show a 7:1 or 8:1 ROI and are happy with their outcome. Dean Krugman asked if the group was comfortable with the SOM continuing to cover the cost share and pilot grants, and asked for any objections. There were no objections. The Enterprise Data Warehouse and Bioinformatics will be huge expenditures, but they are an essential part of the CCTSI renewal.
- F. Faculty Senate Update** – Ron Gill updated the committee on the Faculty Senate meeting where there were 3 preliminary discussion topics. The request for the Department of Medicine’s new Division of Computational Biology and Personalized Medicine was given a unanimous endorsement; Dr. Lowenstein for the policy of non-reappointment which was a good and clarifying presentation and the Blue Ribbon Task Force update given by Dr. Zahniser for the clinical series and started a spirited discussion. There will be a vote in the future regarding this issue which will likely mandate some lobbying.
- G. Grants and Contracts Update** – Richard Traystman notified the committee that grants and contracts have begun changes and interviews with the Department Chairs and Center Directors regarding pre- and post- award activities in OGC. He asked the committee to speak with their investigators and be prepared to discuss the areas of difficulty. Once comments are gathered, each one will be addressed.

### **Action Items**

- A.** Approval of the 2012 Medical Student Graduation Candidates – Chip Ridgway presented the list of 2012 Medical Student Graduate candidates on behalf of Celia Kaye. David Norris approved, Ann Thor seconded and the committee unanimously approved the list. Dean Krugman noted that this is the first class to have spent all four years on this campus.

### **Executive Session**

#### **IV. Approval Items**

- A. Sr. Clinical Appointments, Tenure and Promotions Committee Actions** – were unanimously approved.
- B. Approval of Faculty Promotions** – all Faculty Promotions were unanimously approved

The meeting adjourned at 9:34AM