

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2017**  
**10:00 – 11:30 AM**  
**ACADEMIC OFFICE ONE, 7TH FLOOR BOARDROOM**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

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**PRESENT:**

John J. Reilly, Jr., MD, Dean, School of Medicine and Chair

**MEMBERS:** John Cambier, PhD; Will Cook; Robert D'Ambrosia, MD; Stephen Daniels, MD, PhD; Frank deGruy, MD; Alison Heru, MD; Mark Johnston, PhD; Brian Kavanagh, MD, MPH; Kevin Lillehei, MD; Wendy Macklin, PhD; Naresh Mandava, MD; Dennis Matthews, MD; David Norris, MD; Connie Savor Price, MD; Angie Ribera, PhD; Nanette Santoro, MD; Richard Schulick, MD, MBA; David Schwartz, MD; Ron Sokol, MD; Jody Tanabe, MD; Andrew Thorburn, DPhil; Vesna Todorovic, MD, PhD, MBA; Kathleen Torkko, PhD; Ken Tyler, MD; Richard Zane, MD

**GUESTS:** Peter Buttrick, MD; Mark Couch; Anne Fuhlbrigge, MD; Carolyn Goble; Ben Honigman, MD; Allison Kempe, MD, MPH; Mark Kochevar; Steven Lowenstein, MD, MPH; Ellen Mangione, MD; Sarah Miller; Michael Pascarella; Suzann Ruedeman; Carol Rumack, MD; Jane Schumaker; Christopher Smith

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:** Adria Boucheral, MD; Rebecca Braverman, MD; Gerald Dodd, MD; Donald Elliman, Chancellor; Jena Hausmann; Sallie Houser-Hanfelder; Herman Jenkins, MD; David Raben, MD; Dan Theodorescu, MD; Ann Thor, MD; Erik Wallace, MD

**I. GREETINGS** – Dean Reilly

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The August 15, 2017, meeting minutes were adopted unanimously as presented.

**III. DEAN'S UPDATES**

The Dean referenced the updates document (*see attached*) and then noted the following items:

Congresswoman Diana DeGette (D-CO) visited the Rocky Mountain Alzheimer's program a few weeks ago and discussed the bipartisan commitment to maintain funding for the NIH. DeGette mentioned the understanding in Congress that in order to provide stability and foster research, there needs to be longer than a one year commitment to

funding levels at the NIH. This will hopefully translate into more confidence in the budget moving forward.

The Graham-Cassidy Health Care bill is the last effort to try to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act. The bill would have a significant impact on the cost of healthcare in Colorado, including a significant decrease in Medicaid funding. The deadline to approve the bill is September 30.

There have been a number of efforts over the past couple of years to make the School of Medicine run more efficiently and reduce administrative overhead. Mark Couch, Chief of Staff and Director of Communications, and Chris Smith, Assistant Dean of Administration and Finance, have been asked to look at the school's communication strategies. The University is also introducing a new content management system to update the school's website.

At the September 19, 2017 CU Medicine Board of Directors meeting, Will Cook, President and CEO, University of Colorado Hospital, announced that Anthony DeFurio, UCHHealth Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, has accepted a new position as the new CFO in a large healthcare system in North Carolina.

#### **IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A. UME Update and Curriculum Reform Process:** *Shanta Zimmer, MD, Associate Dean, Diversity and Inclusion, and Interim Senior Associate Dean for Education (see attached slides for additional information)*

Dr. Zimmer discussed the results of the Association of American Medical Colleges graduate questionnaire, a survey taken by last year's School of Medicine graduates. Dr. Zimmer noted that CU falls in the 10<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> percentile with regard to behaviors/attitudes that students observed with faculty, particularly with faculty actively listening to patients and being respectful to patient's dignity and autonomy. A task force has been put together to address these issues, and includes representation from the Office of Student Life, and Steven Lowenstein, MD, MPH, Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs.

Curricular reform for 2017-2018 will focus on leadership, curiosity, and commitment.

An education retreat will be held on October 30, 2017. The retreat will involve faculty, students, residents, representatives from other medical schools, and representatives in the community. The retreat will focus on curriculum changes, including changes in IT/educational technology.

**B. Faculty Senate Updates:** *Kathleen Torkko, PhD, Faculty Senate President*

The Faculty Senate held its first meeting for the 2017 academic year on Tuesday, September 12. The 2017-2018 faculty senate officers are: Kathleen Torkko, PhD, President; Rebecca Braverman, MD, Past-President; David Raben, MD, President-Elect; and Adria Boucharel, MD, Secretary. Neil Krauss, Director of Administration, Anschutz Medical Campus, gave an update on campus infrastructure issues, including limited parking space and the new light rail schedule. Neil mentioned that a new parking structure that would have 2,000 parking spaces is under review. He also discussed the possibility of introducing a bike share program on campus.

**C. Affiliate Updates**—*Ellen Mangione, MD, Chief of Staff, VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System; Connie Savor Price, MD, Chief Medical Officer, Denver Health and Hospital*

**VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System:** *Ellen Mangione, MD, Chief of Staff, VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System (see attached flyer for additional information)*

The new VA facility, now named the ‘Rocky Mountain Regional VA Medical Center,’ is 95% complete, and the majority of the site should be completed by the end of January 2018. The new research building opened September 6, 2017.

**Denver Health:** *Connie Savor Price, MD, Chief Medical Officer*

Howard Miller, MD, Associate Professor of Anesthesiology, is the new Director for Anesthesiology. The search for a new director of emergency medicine, led by Richard Zane, MD, Chair, Department of Emergency Medicine, is ongoing and the search committee hopes to move forward with a finalist soon. There have been issues regarding capacity for inpatient dialysis. Denver Health has seen an increase in the number of patients presenting to the ER who are in need of emergency dialysis. This puts the inpatient dialysis over capacity, resulting in patients being sent to other facilities, including UCH. Denver Health hopes to resolve the issue with interventions and purchased two additional dialysis units, however this would require additional staffing and other resources.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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### **I. APPROVAL ITEMS**

- A.** Senior clinical appointments and promotions committee actions were approved unanimously.
- B.** Professor Emeritus/Emerita Appointments were approved unanimously.

### **II. FYI ITEMS**

- A.** Personnel Action FYI Reports

### **III. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11 a.m.

*Minutes submitted by School of Medicine Dean's Office*