

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2019**  
**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:** Leslie Berg, PhD; Evalina Burger, MD; Stephen Daniels, MD, PhD; Frank deGruy, MD; Gerald Dodd, MD; Nicole Draper, MD; C. Neill Epperson, MD; Herman Jenkins, MD; Brian Kavanagh, MD, MPH; Kevin Lillehei, MD; Wendy Macklin, PhD; Naresh Mandava, MD; Angie Ribera, PhD; Nanette Santoro, MD; Richard Schulick, MD, MBA; David Schwartz, MD; Ron Sokol, MD, MBA; Ann Thor, MD; Andrew Thorburn, DPhil; Ken Tyler, MD;

**GUESTS:** Scott Arthur; Mark Couch; Genet D'Arcy, MD; Anne Fuhlbrigge, MD, MS; Carolyn Goble; Allison Kempe, MD, MPH; Allison Krebs; Scott Laker, MD; Steven Lowenstein, MD, MPH; Mary Shannon Newell; Judy Regensteiner, PhD; Marian Rewers, MD, PhD; Suzann Ruedeman; Brian T. Smith; Christopher Smith; Cheryl Welch; Shanta Zimmer, MD

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:** Venu Akuthota, MD; Mark Dell'Acqua, PhD; Chancellor Don Elliman; Christopher Gessner; Duane Gill; Jena Hausmann; David Norris, MD; Connie Savor Price, MD; David Raben, MD; Vesna Todorovic, MD, PhD, MBA; Erik Wallace, MD; Richard Zane, MD

**I. GREETINGS**

Dean Reilly introduced Nicole Draper, MD, president of the Faculty Senate, to present the 13th Annual Faculty Professionalism Award to Richard Schulick, MD, MBA, chair of surgery and director of the CU Cancer Center. Dr. Schulick was not able to be present at the White Coat Ceremony held in early August, where Rita Lee, MD, associate professor of medicine, was named as the other award recipient this year.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The July 16, 2019 meeting minutes were adopted unanimously as presented.

**III. DEAN'S UPDATES**

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

The Dean reported that the recruitment for the chair of the department of Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics is in its final stages. If all goes well when the finalist returns to campus in late August to explore lab space, the search may be finalized shortly thereafter.

The White Coat Ceremony for the School's Class of 2023 was held on August 9. The new class of students is now on campus and hard at work on the first-year curriculum.

The White Coat Ceremony for Physician Assistant students, in the Child Health Associate/Physician Assistant (CHA/PA) program, was held August 16. As is the tradition with this program, the official matriculation ceremony follows the successful completion of the summer semester that began in June.

The construction of the new Anschutz Health Sciences Building is still on schedule and on budget. The building is to be completed by July 2021.

The Dean noted that Faculty Senate meetings are suspended during the summer and will resume in the fall.

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

##### **A. Updates on CU School of Medicine CSU Branch: *Suzanne Brandenburg, MD*** *(See attached presentation slides for additional information.)*

Dr. Brandenburg summarized the collaboration with Colorado State University (CSU) to establish a branch campus of the CU School of Medicine in Fort Collins. In August 2021, the first cohort of 12 Fort Collins Branch medical students will matriculate on the new branch. Taught by faculty from both universities, students will attend classes in the CSU Health and Medical Science building and will engage in clinical training in the Fort Collins medical community. All students in the program will receive a CU School of Medicine degree.

The Dean opened the floor for questions, comments and suggestions for Dr. Brandenburg.

Ron Sokol, MD, asked how the 12 students will be chosen. Dr. Brandenburg replied that all admissions will continue to be centralized at the CU School of Medicine, as they are now. The option to attend the Fort Collins branch will be given to applicants.

Wendy Macklin, PhD, asked if the foundational teaching will be done by Fort Collins faculty. Dr. Brandenburg replied by saying that most would be taught by the Fort Collins faculty but that all curriculum is being set by the Office of Undergraduate Medical Education.

Ann Thor, MD, asked how the funding came about for the new building and if any funds would flow to the School. Dr. Brandenburg replied that CSU is providing most of the funding and that expenses will be tracked closely to better understand the cost of supporting the new branch campus.

Frank deGruy, MD, asked if the hospital affiliates are involved. Dr. Brandenburg replied yes, that the two primary in-patient sites at least to start will be UHealth's Poudre Valley Hospital and Medical Center of the Rockies.

The Dean added that the agreement with CSU preserves and protects the name of the CU School of Medicine and that CSU would also not seek any portion of the School's state appropriations. In addition, the present strategy is to reapportion our current allotment of students rather than expanding class size. Until we better understand the current capacity of the new environment, we would not consider expanding the class size.

## **B. Affiliate Updates from VA and Denver Health:**

**Rocky Mountain Regional VA Medical Center:** *Genet D'Arcy, MD, Associate Chief of Staff*  
The announcement of the new executive director will come soon. Dr. D'Arcy was asked to speak about the VA's program for drug testing of residents. She reported that their policy is not to test residents on entry but rather on a random basis. The VA's Human Resources department controls the roster of those tested and the testing is done in their lab. Dr. Donald Weinschenker reviews test results and provides to their HR department. Tests are confidential and final. HR is the sole decision maker, and Dr. D'Arcy reported that they do not have an appeal process. If the test is determined to be positive, the resident would be released.

### **Denver Health:**

Representatives from Denver Health were not in attendance, so the Dean reported that the new chief of service for radiology from the University of California San Francisco has arrived, the new chief of service for OB/GYN will begin October 1, and recruitment is in the final stages for the chief of service for orthopedics.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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### **I. APPROVAL ITEMS**

- A. Sr. Clinical Appointments and Promotions Committee actions were approved unanimously.
- B. Professor Emeritus Appointments were approved unanimously.

### **II. FYI ITEMS**

### **III. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.