MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2019
10:00 – 11:30 AM
ACADEMIC OFFICE ONE, 7TH FLOOR BOARDROOM

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

PRESENT:

MEMBERS: Venu Akuthota, MD; Evalina Burger, MD; Stephen Daniels, MD, PhD; Frank deGruy, MD; Mark Dell’Acqua, PhD; Gerald Dodd, MD; Nicole Draper, MD; C. Neill Epperson, MD; Herman Jenkins, MD; Kevin Lillehei, MD; Wendy Macklin, PhD; Naresh Mandava, MD; David Norris, MD; Angie Ribera, PhD; Richard Schulick, MD, MBA; David Schwartz, MD; Ron Sokol, MD, MBA; Vesna Todorovic, MD, PhD, MBA; Ken Tyler, MD; Richard Zane, MD

GUESTS: Scott Arthur; Peter Buttrick, MD; John Caldwell, MD; Karen Chacko, MD; Mark Couch; Barbara Genet D’Arcy, MD; Robert Eckel, MD; Anne Fuhlbrigge, MD; Allison Kempe, MD, MPH; Allison Krebs; Steven Lowenstein, MD, MPH; Sarah Miller; Chesney Thompson, MD; Suzann Ruedeman; Judy Regensteiner, PhD; Carol Rumack, MD; Jane Schumaker; Christopher Smith; Linda van Dyk, PhD; Cheryl Welch; Shanta Zimmer, MD

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Leslie Berg, PhD; Chancellor Don Elliman; Chris Gessner; Duane Gill; Jena Hausmann; Brian Kavanagh, MD, MPH; Christopher Kleck, MD; Connie Savor Price, MD; David Raben, MD; John J. Reilly, Jr., MD; Nanette Santoro, MD; Ann Thor, MD; Andrew Thorburn, DPhil; Kathleen Torkko, PhD; Erik Wallace, MD

I. GREETINGS- Peter Buttrick, MD, Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, chaired the meeting on behalf of Dean Reilly

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The May 21, 2019, meeting minutes were adopted unanimously as presented.

III. DEAN’S UPDATES:

Dr. Buttrick referenced the updates document (see attached) and then noted additional items.

Brian T. Smith has been named the new Senior Associate Dean for Administration and Finance and executive director of CU Medicine. Mr. Smith will assume his position on August 1, 2019, when Jane Schumaker, current Senior Associate Dean, retires from her position.
The School of Medicine is in negotiations for the new chair of the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics and has begun the search for the new chair of the Department of Medicine.

Lonnie Cramer has been named the new President of the UCHealth Broomfield Hospital.

Mark Couch, Chief of Staff and Director of Communications, discussed the results of the completed Colorado legislative session:

**House Bill 19-1241** did not get approved due to a lack of funding. The bill would have supported scholarships for students who commit to spending the initial part of their careers in rural Colorado.

**House Bill 19-1088**, extending the availability of the health care preceptor tax credit, was signed into law by Gov. Polis on May 30.

**Senate Bill 19-207** provides the first phase of state funding for construction the Anschutz Health Sciences Building. It also calls for $1 million of CU’s increased funding for operations be used for scholarships to underrepresented minority students at the School of Medicine. The Governor signed into law on April 18.

The 2019 School of Medicine commencement ceremony was held on Friday, May 24, 2019. One hundred fifty-eight medical students and forty-four physician assistant students received their degrees.

Chancellor Don Elliman announced that the atrium space in the new Anschutz Health Sciences Building the Bruce and Marcy Benson Atrium in honor of President Benson and his wife for his eleven years of service as the University president.

Mark Kennedy, the new president of the CU system, will assume his position on July 1, 2019. Mr. Kennedy is planning to visit the Anschutz Medical Campus on Tuesday, June 25, 2019.

The School of Medicine announced a partnership with Colorado State University to open a new medical school branch in Fort Collins. The partnership will allow around a dozen students to attend a four-year CU School of Medicine program based on the CSU campus. Suzanne Brandenburg, MD, professor of medicine, is coordinating the effort.
Richard Schulick, MD, MBA chair, Department of Surgery, announced that the surgery department received a five-year, $11 million dollar grant for a team of researchers that will focus on resuscitation strategies and improving hemostasis and preventing blood clotting issues for trauma patients.

Dr. Buttrick acknowledged Robert Eckel, MD, interim vice chancellor for research and professor of medicine, who will be retiring at the end of June 2019. Dr. Eckel has held several leadership positions nationally and internationally and has spent most of his academic career working with the University.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Space and Informatics Updates: Peter Buttrick, MD, Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. Dr. Buttrick discussed updates on the renovation of the first floor of Academic Office Building One. Furniture for the new ‘hub’ space arrived on June 18, 2019, and the formal opening is tentatively scheduled for July 15, 2019. The Dean’s office has scheduled guided tours and others interested in going on a tour may contact Suzann Ruedeman, director of Facilities and Planning, Suzann.ruedeman@ucdenver.edu. The Chancellor’s office is hosting an open house event on Monday, July 8. A concierge team has been hired to address the needs of the space and will provide dry cleaning service, catering, sleeping pods, and other services. Approximately 200 faculty have been officially proposed for membership for the new space and will be required to go through IT training to gain access to the suite.

Construction has begun on the new Anschutz Health Sciences Building and is scheduled to open in approximately twenty-seven months. There are approximately two floors that have yet to be claimed for academic space. Spaces from which programs are moving into the new building will need to be filled, including the Department of Psychiatry and the Colorado Center for Personalized Medicine.

The basement of the Research 2 building needs to be renovated and will cost approximately $12 million. There is currently an NIH grant proposal for $8 million and the University has pledged to match $4 million with a priority to construct a zebrafish facility. The University has also made a tentative commitment of $40 million for the construction of a new animal facility in the basement of the new Anschutz Health Sciences Building.

Dr. Buttrick discussed the need for analytical expertise to manage and explore large data sets produced by basic/translational and clinical research programs on the campus. Dr. Buttrick will also be requesting data from departments to identify types of research and where the research is being conducted on the campus.
B. Faculty Senate updates: Nicole Draper, MD, Faculty Senate President-Elect
The June faculty senate meeting was held on Tuesday, June 11, 2019. The faculty senate discussed the campus website migrations and email changes to ‘cuanschutz.edu.’ The new name will distinguish the Anschutz Medical Campus name and strengthen the marketing and branding efforts for the campus. The faculty senate also discussed the Gold Humanism Honor Society’s history, mission, and structure as well as initiatives of the society’s CU chapter.

C. Affiliate Updates:

VA: Barbara Genet D’arcy, MD, Associate Chief of Staff for Education: Dr. D’arcy announced administrative changes for the Eastern Colorado Healthcare System. Ms. Sallie Houser-Hanfelder, former director of the Eastern Colorado Healthcare System, retired the end of May 2019. Duane Gill will serve as the acting director. Harold “Corky” Dillon, MD, chief of staff, transferred to another VA facility, and Clifford “Lee” Parmley, MD, has been named the new chief of staff.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

I. APPROVAL ITEMS
   A. Faculty promotions committee actions were unanimously approved.
   B. The professor emeritus appointment was approved unanimously.

II. FYI ITEMS

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.
Search Updates

Brian T. Smith has been named senior associate dean for administration and finance for the School of Medicine and executive director of University of Colorado Medicine, succeeding Jane Schumaker, effective August 1. Smith is senior vice president and chief operating officer for Mount Sinai Doctors and senior associate dean for clinical affairs for the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai. Prior to Mount Sinai, he was executive director of USF Physicians Group from 2000 to 2005 and executive director of Rush University Medical Group from 2005 to 2016.

Affiliate Updates

Lonnie Cramer has been named president of UCHealth Broomfield Hospital. He joined UCHealth earlier this year as president of UCHealth Longs Peak Hospital and he oversees expansion of the system’s services in the Longmont and Carbon Valley areas.

Legislative Updates

The Colorado General Assembly concluded its 2019 regular session in May. Key legislation affecting the operation of the School of Medicine and its faculty:

- **House Bill 19-1088**, extending the availability of the health care preceptor tax credit, was signed into law by Gov. Polis on May 30.
- **House Bill 19-1241**, providing scholarships and support for the rural track, did not pass out of House Appropriations Committee due to lack of state funding.
- **House Bill 19-1320**, applying disclosure requirements on hospitals for community benefits investments, was signed into law by Gov. Polis on May 16.
- **Senate Bill 19-133**, requiring a license to practice genetic counseling, was vetoed by Gov. Polis on May 31.
- **Senate Bill 19-207** provides the first phase of state funding for construction the Anschutz Health Sciences Building. It also calls for $1 million of CU’s increased funding for operations be used for scholarships to underrepresented minority students at the School of Medicine. The Governor signed into law on April 18.
- **Senate Bill 19-234**, continuing protection of peer review, was signed into law by Gov. Polis on May 16.

U.S. Rep. Jason Crow, who represents the congressional district that includes the Anschutz Medical Campus, visited on Tuesday, May 28, to learn about mental health programs. He was briefed by C. Neill Epperson, MD, chair of psychiatry; Matt Mishkind, PhD, deputy director of the Helen and Arthur E. Johnson Depression Center; and Matt Vogl, executive director of the National Mental Health Innovation Center.

Institutional Updates

One hundred fifty-eight medical students and 44 physician assistant students received their degrees in late May in commencement ceremonies on the Anschutz Medical Campus. At the all-campus ceremony,
Chancellor Don Elliman, Jr., announced that the entrance hall in the under-construction Anschutz Health Sciences Building will be named the Bruce and Marcy Benson Atrium. At the end of June, Bruce Benson is concluding an 11-year run as president of CU.

The School of Medicine welcomed the 71 students in the CU Physical Therapy Class of 2021 at a professional oath ceremony on Thursday, May 30.

The School of Medicine announced that it is working with Colorado State University to open a branch of the CU School of Medicine in Fort Collins on the CSU campus. Initial plans call for maintaining our MD class size at 184 students each year, with about a dozen students attending a four-year program based in Fort Collins. The first class would enroll in 2021. Suzanne Brandenburg, MD, professor of medicine, is coordinating the process for the School of Medicine.

The School of Medicine’s chapter of the Gold Humanism Honor Society (GHHS) was selected a 2019 Distinguished GHHS Chapter – one of only four selected for the award out of 150 chapters. The designation recognizes exemplary achievement in fostering humanism in medicine. The society specifically cited the work of Kathleen Raskob, MD ’19, and faculty advisor Steven Lowenstein, MD, MPH, professor of emergency medicine.

A team of researchers from the University of Colorado School of Medicine and Denver Health have been awarded a five-year, $11 million grant from the National Institutes of Health to study complications related to blood coagulation and inflammation in patients who have sustained severe traumatic injuries.