

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2020
10:00 AM
ACADEMIC OFFICE ONE, 7TH FLOOR BOARDROOM

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

PRESENT:

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

MEMBERS: Venu Akuthota, MD; Evalina Burger, MD; Julia Cooper, PhD; Stephen Daniels, MD, PhD; Frank deGruy, MD; Mark Dell'Acqua, PhD; 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; David Norris, MD; Connie Savor Price, MD; Angie Ribera, PhD; Nanette Santoro, MD; David Schwartz, MD; Ron Sokol, MD; Ann Thor, MD; Andrew Thorburn, DPhil; Vesna Todorovic, MD, PhD, MBA; Ken Tyler, MD

GUESTS: Thomas Beresford, MD; Peter Buttrick, MD; Karen Chacko, MD; Mark Couch; Genet D'Arcy, MD; Carolyn Goble; Michael Harris-Love, PT, MPT, DSc; Steven Lowenstein, MD, MPH; Sarah Miller; Judy Regensteiner, PhD; Suzann Ruedeman; Carol Rumack, MD; Brian T. Smith; Christopher Smith; Linda van Dyk, PhD; Shanta Zimmer, MD

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Jaime Arruda, MD; Leslie Berg, PhD; Chancellor Don Elliman; Christopher Gessner; Jena Hausmann; Alma Juels, MD; Michael Kilmer; David Raben, MD; Richard Schulick, MD, MBA; Erik Wallace, MD; Richard Zane, MD

I. GREETINGS

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The December 17, 2019, meeting minutes were adopted unanimously as presented.

III. DEAN'S UPDATES

Dr. Reilly welcomed Julia Cooper, PhD, the new chair of the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics.

The Colorado state legislature is now in session and there is likely to be a lot of discussion around the proposal for a public health insurance option in the state. The proposal initially targets health insurance carriers in the individual insurance markets with plans to extend to small and large group markets. This proposal includes the possibility of rate setting for hospital

reimbursements that would be controlled by state government. Private insurance companies would be required to sell the public option. The legislature is in session through May 6, 2020.

Governor Polis's proposed state budget recommends a reduction in state's funding for the new Anschutz Health Sciences Building. The state's original commitment was \$52 million divided over appropriations across three years. This year's final appropriation was supposed to be \$22 million, however the governor's new state budget would reduce the state's contribution to \$7 million.

Discussion Items:

A. Summary of strategic plan program in VA Research: *Thomas Beresford, MD, Director of Strategic Planning for VA Research, Professor of Psychiatry, Veterans Affairs Medical Center (see attached slides for additional information)*

B. Faculty Senate Updates: *Nicole Draper, MD, Vice Chair of Education, Associate Professor of Clinical Practice, Department of Pathology, and Faculty Senate President (see attached slides for additional information):*

President Mark Kennedy addressed the faculty senate at the December 2019 meeting and discussed his strategic plan for the CU system, "CU Leaning into the Future." Working groups have been assigned on each of the four campuses to address specific issues of President Kennedy's strategic plan. Working group meetings are public and can be seen on the CU system calendar: <https://www.cu.edu/strategic-planning/calendar>. Faculty and staff who have issues or specific questions for the campus can contact the campus's working group directly.

C. Affiliate updates from VA and Denver Health

VA Eastern Colorado Healthcare System: *Genet D'Arcy, MD, Associate Chief of Staff for Education:* The grand opening for the VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System Simulation Center will be held on Friday, Feb. 7, 2020, at 8:30 a.m. The new simulation center will have four inpatient bays, two outpatient bays, a large computer room and large conference and debriefing rooms.

Denver Health and Hospital Authority: *Connie Savor Price, MD, Chief Medical Officer:* Kris Gaw is the new chief operating officer for Denver Health and Hospital Authority and will be working closely with Dr. Price as well as the directors of service. Denver Health exceeded operating targets in 2019, which allows reinvestment in academic missions and other missions at the institution.

The focus for 2020 will be on the construction of Denver Health's new outpatient medical center.

Additional updates from Dr. Reilly:

Faculty and staff all received a curriculum reform newsletter for the week of January 20, 2020. The newsletter noted that 2019 closed out with over 10,400 medical student applications for the incoming class of 2024, which is up by 20% from last year. The increase in medical student applications is thanks in large part to the leadership of Nichole Zehnder, MD, assistant dean of admissions, and the entire admissions team.

Dr. Zehnder accepted an associate dean's position at Washington University in St. Louis for later this spring 2020. Jeffrey SooHoo, MD, associate professor, Department of Ophthalmology, who serves on the admissions committee, has agreed to serve as the assistant dean of admissions in the interim.

Construction of the new Anschutz Health Sciences Building remains on time and on budget, with additional plans to build out the vivarium in the basement of the new building, which will include over 29,000 square feet of additional vivarium space.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

I. APPROVAL ITEMS

- A.** Senior clinical appointments and promotions committee actions were unanimously approved.
- B.** The professor emeritus appointment was approved unanimously.

II. FYI ITEMS

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.