



## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, November 16, 2021

10:00 AM

Hybrid Meeting

(In-Person and via Zoom Teleconference)

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### ATTENDANCE:

#### MEMBERS:

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

Venu Akuthota, MD; Leslie Berg, PhD; Gregory Bocsi, DO, MS; Vineet Chopra, MD; Stephen Daniels, MD, PhD; Neill Epperson, MD; Brian Kavanagh, MD, MPH; Wendy Macklin, PhD; Naresh Mandava, MD; David Norris, MD; Connie Savor Price, MD; Angie Ribera, PhD; Nanette Santoro, MD; Richard Schulick, MD, MBA; Ann Thor, MD; Vesna Todorovic, MD, PhD; Ken Tyler, MD

#### GUESTS:

Scott Arthur; Patricia Balodis; Suzanne Brandenburg, MD; Peter Buttrick, MD; Thomas Campbell, MD; Colleen Conry, MD; Mark Couch; Barbara (Genet) D'Arcy, MD; Amira del Pino-Jones, MD; Brian Dwinnell, MD; Melissa Feig; Anne Fuhlbrigge, MD, MS; Carolyn Goble; Casey Greene, PhD; Michael Harris-Love, PT, MPT, DSc; Allison Kempe, MD, MPH/MSPH; Allison Krebs; Alma Juels, MD; Steven Lowenstein, MD, MPH; John Moore; Chanthy Na; Michael Narkewicz, MD; Olawunmi (Wunmi) Ogunwo, JD; Vikas Patel, MD; Beth Post; Marian Rewers, MD, PhD; Carol Rumack, MD; Suzann Ruedeman; Brian T. Smith; Ron Sokol, MD; Chesney Thompson, MD; Sudheer Vemuru, MD; Cheryl Welch; Shanta Zimmer, MD

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The October 19, 2021, meeting minutes were unanimously adopted as presented.

### DEAN'S UPDATES:

The Dean congratulated several faculty members of the school: Jay Lemery, MD, of Emergency Medicine, was elected to the National Academy of Medicine. David Schwartz, MD, and Judith Regensteiner, PhD, who are both in the Department of Medicine, are our newest Distinguished Professors as designated by the Board of Regents.

Our affiliate hospital partners on this campus are experiencing very high clinical demand, putting pressure on critical care resources. The primary driver at the University of Colorado Hospital is COVID patients, and Children's Colorado Hospital is also seeing a surge in patients with RSV, influenza and COVID. Staffing shortages are also causing concern.

The new curriculum for first-year medical students is going well.

Dean Reilly recognized significant grant awards to Michael Holers, MD, for a new Autoimmunity Center, and Huntington Potter, PhD, for a clinical trial in young adult with down syndrome who are at high risk for Alzheimer's disease.

Searches for a new Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Development, Chair of Pharmacology, and Chair of Physiology and Biophysics, are down to the finalist stage. There is an active search for the Director of Colorado Center for Personalized Medicine, and search committees are being convened for the Chairs of Department of Dermatology and Department of Radiology.

## DISCUSSION ITEMS:

### A. Graduate Medical Education Annual Institution Report:

Carol Rumack, MD, Professor and Associate Dean presented The Annual Institutional Report. The report is made to the School of Medicine Executive Committee who is the governing body of the Graduate Medical Education. (See attached slides)

There are 1,254 residents/fellow in the program this year. CU is one of the largest institutions of graduate medical education among the 856 nationally. Total minority enrollment increased from 12% to 17% from last year. Professional plans of graduates have not changed much, with private practice and academic jobs remaining to choices. In 2021, 124 graduates are staying in Colorado. Resident/fellow financial debt has increased slight in the \$400,000 level, and there is stability at the no debt level.

GME received notification of continued accreditation and commendation for demonstrating substantial compliance with no citations.

### B. Faculty Senate Updates:

*Gregary Bocsi, DO, MS, Faculty Senate President:* Dr. Bocsi provided updates on the Faculty Senate meeting held October 19, 2021. Dean Reilly shared key School of Medicine updates at the meeting. Tyler Anstett, DO, faculty senate representative on the curriculum steering committee gave an update, which included a report from Shanta Zimmer, MD, discussing the 2021 graduation questionnaire in detail and updating the committee on the activities of the Office of Diversity & Inclusion in 2021.

### C. Affiliate updates from VA and Denver Health:

#### **Veterans Affairs Eastern Colorado Healthcare System:**

*Barbara (Genet) D'Arcy, MD, associate chief of staff for education,* said the VA has acting Service Chiefs: Andrea Rehmert for Psychiatry, Alkesh Jani for Internal Medicine, and Brandon Fainstad for Primary Care. There is recruitment activity for all three positions. The VA is full but has a smaller census than other hospitals. The hospital is also experiencing significant shortage of staffing across the board, especially among nurses.

#### **Denver Health and Hospital Authority:**

Connie Savor Price, MD, Chief Medical Officer, said Denver Health is working on navigating the surge of COVID. Denver Health hopes to make an offer for a new chief of anesthesiology before Thanksgiving. Denver Health will be starting searches for director of service for medicine and surgery soon.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION:

### APPROVAL ITEMS

- A. The faculty promotions committee membership roster was unanimously approved.
- B. The clinical appointments and promotions appointments were unanimously approved.