I. GREETINGS – Dean Reilly

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The February 21, 2017 meeting minutes were approved unanimously as presented.

III. DEAN’S UPDATES
The Dean referenced the updates document (see attached) and then noted the following items:
Match Day was held on Friday, March 17th. Many of the School’s students matched with residency programs at the University of Colorado, while others will go to other highly rated programs.

Governor Hickenlooper will speak at this year’s MD commencement, which will be held on Friday, May 26th, on the Boettcher Commons, weather permitting.

Dean Reilly said Denver Health’s new Chief Executive Officer, Robin Wittenstein, EdD, starts Thursday, March 23rd.

Dean Reilly discussed a proposed federal budget from the White House, which calls for a 20% reduction in NIH funding. This cut would have a profound impact on medical schools and research institutions across the United States. The School will continue to advocate for biomedical research funding.

Dean Reilly said state lawmakers are considering legislation that would reclassify the hospital provider fee for state budgeting purposes as enterprise revenue rather than as general state revenue.

The School is interviewing semi-finalists for the Director of the Anschutz Health and Wellness Center position.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

LCME Site Visit results; Planning a New Curriculum: Robert Anderson, MD, Senior Associate Dean for Education (See attached document for full presentation.)

Overall, the school received very positive feedback from the LCME site-visit team, particularly noting the leadership of medical students.

Looking ahead, there will be a new organizational structure in the Undergraduate Medical Education office, as well as more separation between education and student affairs, which includes admissions, diversity and inclusion, and student activities.

There will also be a focus on developing and implementing a new curriculum, which was put in place. The current curriculum needs review and the infrastructure is in place to develop a new curriculum.

Dean Reilly asked Eva Aagaard, MD, Associate Dean for Educational Strategy, to lead a group in developing a planning process for the new curriculum. Dr. Anderson said it is important for all departments, faculty, and students to engage in the process of developing the new curriculum.
A. Clinical Research Infrastructure: Thomas Flaig, MD, Associate Dean for Clinical Research (See attached document for full presentation.)

Ben Honigman, MD, Associate Dean, Clinical Outreach, mentioned that physicians often ask him about how to get patients outside of the UC Health system into clinical trials. Dr. Flaig noted that physicians must enter specific data in OnCore in order to get patients into the system.

Dean Reilly emphasized that OnCore is a substantial investment shared between UC Health and the School of Medicine, both in terms of software licensing as well as the personnel associated with the new system.

B. Faculty Senate Updates: Rebecca Braverman, MD, Faculty Senate President

• Peter Buttrick, MD, Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, provided an update on wet lab research space utilization.
• Jean Kutner, MD, MSPH, Chief Medical Officer, University of Colorado Hospital, presented her Transformational Research Funding project, Data Science to Patient Value (D2V), which involves the use of large data in order to improve the process of health care delivery and quality of care for patients.
• Dr. Kutner also discussed the random drug testing policy for medical staff implemented by the University of Colorado Hospital, which was put in place in order to protect patients and staff. The hospital will perform external reviews on those who have positive test results.

C. Affiliate Updates from VA and Denver Health – Sallie Houser-Hanfelder, Director, and Ellen Mangione, MD, Chief of Staff, Eastern Colorado Health Care System; Abraham Nussbaum, MD, Chief Education Officer and DIO, Denver Health and Hospital (See attached flyer from VA for additional information.)

The VA’s new facility is now 90% complete. The research building will tentatively open in July and there will be law enforcement on site 24/7 when the research move occurs. On March 21st, the VA is having a “SPA”, (systems process assumption meeting). All 60 members of the transition team will discuss transitioning to the new facility. The VA hopes to be fully operational by the spring of 2018.

David Shulkin, MD, the new Veteran Affairs Secretary, announced that suicide prevention is his top priority.

The VA will host members of Congress on April 8th and they will be given a tour of the new facility on April 9th.

Ellen Mangione, MD, Chief of Staff, discussed ongoing searches and critical vacancies at the VA. Harold “Corky” Dillon, VA’s Deputy Chief of Staff, is coordinating the search for the new spinal cord injury (SCI) unit director. Richard Zane, MD, Chair, Department of Emergency Medicine, is coordinating with the VA
on the search for the new ER director. Ken Tyler, MD, Chair, Department of Neurology, is coordinating with the VA on the replacement for Christopher Filley, MD, Professor and Chief of Neurology at the VA. Dr. Filley is relocating to the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus. There is currently a vacancy in Occupational Medicine and another expected vacancy for the position of GI section chief in June. Kevin Lillehei, MD, Chair, Department of Neurosurgery, is assisting the SCI search, and David Schwartz, MD, Chair, Department of Medicine, is coordinating with the VA on the GI search.

Gerald “Chip” Dodd, MD, Chair, Department of Radiology, asked about the status of the search for the new chief of radiology. Dr. Mangione noted that the finalist is tentatively starting July 2017.

Dr. Tyler asked about the status of the spinal cord injury designation. Dr. Mangione mentioned that Dr. Dillon has been talking to central office on a regular basis. Ms. Houser-Hanfelder also mentioned that Albuquerque would transition from being an acute to a long-term spinal cord injury center.

**Denver Health Updates:** Abraham Nussbaum, MD, Chief Education Officer and Interim DIO, provided updates on Denver Health and Hospital Authority.

The new administration building will open this summer. Denver Health is looking for a new Director of Service of Emergency Medicine with assistance from Dr. Zane. Robin Wittenstein, EdD, Denver Health’s new Chief Executive Officer, starts on March 23.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**I. APPROVAL ITEMS**

A. Faculty 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 11:30 a.m.
Minutes submitted by School of Medicine Dean’s Office