COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Other Attendees: Robert Anderson, Kim Benson, Terri Carrothers, Sean Colgan, Mark Couch, Timothy Crombleholme, Jeffrey Druck, John Harney, Josette Harris, Ben Honigman, Richard Johnston, Douglas Jones, Allison Kempe, Steve Lowenstein, Thomas Meyer, Judy Regensteiner, Frederick Suchy, Dan Theodorescu, Chesney Thompson, Richard Traystman, Cheryl Welch, Mollie Young, Nichole Zehnder.

CALL TO ORDER
A quorum was present and the meeting was called to order at 10:00 am MST.

I. GREETING
II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The April 21, 2015 SOM Executive Committee Meeting minutes were unanimously approved as written.

III. DEAN’S UPDATES
The Dean called attention to the updates included in the agenda packets. Highlights include:
- Jena Hausmann has been named President and CEO of Children’s Hospital Colorado.
- The University of Colorado Depression Center has been renamed the Helen and Arthur E. Johnson Depression Center in recognition of a gift of $10 million in grant funding provided by the Helen K. and Arthur E. Johnson Foundation.

DISCUSSION ITEMS
A. DEAN’S COMMENTS
   I. Anesthesiology chair search update: the search committee has narrowed the candidate pool to four finalists. The four finalists will have completed their visits by the end of the week and the search committee will convene to determine who advances to the next level.
   II. Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs search update: the search committee for the Senior Associate Dean of Academic Affairs narrowed the list of applications to 5 individuals. Initial interviews were conducted, followed by final interviews with Dean Reilly and the Sr. Associate Deans. An announcement regarding the new Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs is anticipated by the end of May.
   III. Interdisciplinary Building preliminary updates: the 2012 master plan for the campus calls for an interdisciplinary building to be constructed in the open area between Academic Office 1 (AO1) and Research 1 South. The building would house the Center for Biomedical Informatics and Personalized Medicine, the Simulation Center, and faculty offices. Design and construction of the proposed eight-story, 220,000 sf building will not begin until funding sources have been identified and approved, so groundbreaking is likely at least a couple of years away.
   IV. Graduate School Dean search update: Dr. Rod Nairn is actively negotiating with one finalist.
   V. Commencement 2015: Led by 37 attendees from the class of 1965, commencement will take place on Friday, May 22 at 8:30 am. The hooding and oath program will begin at 10:15 am and is expected to conclude by noon.
B. Update SOM Medical Student Admissions update - Nichole Zehnder, MD, Assistant Dean for Medical Student Admissions, gave an overview of the application and selection process for incoming medical students. This year, there were more than 7,000 applicants for the 184 available slots. Of the 179 students confirmed so far for the School of Medicine graduating class of 2019, 62% are in state, 38% are out of state; the male to female ratio is 56 to 44; and the MCAT average is 34, the highest ever.

C. Update on Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) - Robert Anderson, MD, Senior Associate Dean for Education, gave an overview of the preparations being made for the 2017 Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) site visit. It is critical that we take steps now to be ready for the LCME, which accredits the 144 U.S. and 18 Canadian medical schools and sets high standards for the quality of management and educational programming, and medical student selection at those schools. There are significant implications to recruiting, funding and community support for any medical schools put on probation. For our self-evaluation prior to the site visit, Dr. Anderson will oversee the process to gather data on the standards that LCME will review, to include such areas as school finances, student mistreatment and diversity. These preparations are comprehensive and will require a sustained and focused effort during the next 18 months. Dr. Reilly will soon be extending invitations to approximately 100 faculty to participate in the self-study process.

D. Faculty Senate Report - Jeffrey Druck, MD, Faculty Senate President, gave an overview of the most recent faculty senate meeting. Highlights include:
   A. Dr. Barry Rumack met with the Faculty Senate to provide an overview of the work being done by the Office of Professionalism.
   B. Dr. Pamela Peterson provided the Faculty Senate with an update from the Council of Faculty and Academic Societies (CFAS). CFAS is one of three AAMC councils focused on establishing representation from the academic medicine faculty. This group is involved in issues including advocacy, basic science, faculty resilience, and the value of faculty as educators.
   C. The Department of Ophthalmology provided an update regarding the expansion of the Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Institute (RMLEI), which was largely funded by a $30M donation.
   D. Dr. Druck asked that Faculty Senators be encouraged to present their departmental updates.
   E. Balloting is now open for Faculty Senate president and secretary. Individuals were encouraged to vote prior to the Friday deadline.

E. Affiliate update – Dr. Thomas Meyer provided a brief VA update. Carolyn Adams, previously the director of the Charleston, South Carolina VA Medical Center, was named acting interim director for the VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System, effective April, 2015. The search committee for a permanent director will include representation from the University.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION
   A. Approval Items
      i. All professor emeritus appointment recommendations were approved.
      ii. All senior clinical appointment and promotions committee actions were approved.
      iii. The faculty promotions committee recommendations were approved.
      iv. Approval of the 2015 medical student graduation candidates was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT
   There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 AM MST.

Minutes submitted by SOM Dean’s office