The meeting was commenced at 4:30 pm

I. Welcome
Dr Jeffrey Druck, President of the Faculty Senate, called the meeting to order.

II. Approval of minutes from June 10, 2014 Faculty Senate meeting. A motion was offered to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved.

III. Dean’s Comments
Status of searches – Tom Henthorn MD to step down as the chair of the department of Anesthesiology but will stay until a replacement is found. A search firm (same one that was used for Dean’s replacement) is working with a search committee led by Dr. Naresh Mandava.

The Radiation Oncology department chair recruitment was not successful. Brian Kavanagh, MD, has agreed to stay as interim chair. A new search will start once the new Dean of the SOM has been selected.

The Dean of SOM search continues. Initially there were 63 applicants. The pool has been reduced to 6 candidates who have undergone initial interviews. The goal is to reduce the number to about 3-4 candidates for in-depth interviews. All are external candidates. The search committee will meet this week and select the 3-4 candidates who will be the finalists for the position. The anticipated selection of the final candidate will be at the end October.

Affiliated hospitals – The Dean provided an update on affiliates with the School of Medicine, including National Jewish, Denver Health, and VAMC.

Dean Krugman gave a powerpoint presentation on the “Overview of SOM organization.” The presentation reviewed the reporting relationships within the SOM. The organization consists of 9 elected Regents, President Bruce Benson, VP Health Affairs/EVC Lilly Marks, Chancellors (3) Elliman, Distefano, Shockley. The SOM Facts and Figures Book provides further details of 17 clinical departments and 6 basic science departments. Centers/Institutes have variable reporting relationships. SOM administration that report to the Dean include: Administration and Finance, Academic Affairs, Education and Clinical Affairs.

UPI was created by the Regents in 1982. It is a 501(c)(3) (IRS code), not-for-profit corporation. It serves the faculty of the SOM by providing management services organization. There is an operating agreement with the CU Board of Regents. Faculty membership is mandatory via member practice agreement for assignment of clinical income and delegation of billing/contracting. There will be new bylaws in the near
future. UPI does billing, collecting, compliance, commercial and third party contracting, health plan management, business development and investments. FY13 operating revenues are up and continue upward trend compared to previous years.

IV. Faculty Senator Orientation
Faculty Senate Secretary Rebecca Braverman, MD, gave a powerpoint presentation on the purpose and duties of Faculty Senators. Members of the Faculty Senate leadership were introduced and included: Dean of the SOM, Dr. Richard Krugman; Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs, Dr. Steven Lowenstein; Director of Faculty Affairs, Cheryl Welch; President, Dr. Jeffrey Druck; Past-President, Dr. Nichole Reisdorph; President-elect, Dr. Megan Dishop; and Secretary, Dr. Rebecca Braverman. Ongoing issues from the 2013-14 Senate session, including Faculty appointment survey analysis, Faculty professionalism and ethical treatment of Medical Students, were discussed.

V. AMC Faculty Assembly Bylaws
Dr. David Port, Chair, AMC Faculty Assembly provided a brief overview of the proposed changes to the Assembly bylaws. The Faculty Assembly represents all schools on the AMC including the SOM, School of Nursing, and School of Dentistry. Currently, the bylaws state that representative apportionment on Faculty Assembly shall be roughly proportionate to size of individual schools. However, the bylaws require changes to accommodate for the inclusion of School of Public Health in assembly. The changes will result in some reduction of SOM representation.

Dr. Lowenstein discussed that many important issues are brought to the Assembly and not the Faculty Senate. It is important for the SOM to have a voice in the Assembly.

President Druck suggested that, if anyone from the Senate was interested in being on the Assembly, they talk with one of the Senate officers. Unfortunately, SOM representation at meetings has been suboptimal.

A call for a vote for the approval of the changes to the AMC Faculty Assembly bylaws to reduce SOM representation from 11 to 10 representatives was commenced. The changes were approved unanimously, 36 in favor, none opposed, no abstentions.

VI. Reconsideration of the Apportionment of SOM Faculty Senators
President Druck reviewed the various proposals previously discussed by the Faculty Senate for the apportionment of Faculty Senators within the SOM. Twenty-five percent of Senators must be from Basic Science departments. There has been significant discussion of this topic in the past. Proposals discussed included Senator attendance as a factor in determining department representation. One formula discussed allowed for 1 senator per 40 department members with a cap of 7 senators. This formula was brought to 2 largest departments, namely Pediatrics and
Internal medicine, who did not object. Changes to reapportionment would take place in 2 years.

Discussion:
A Faculty Senator brought up the fact that proportion agreement shouldn’t penalize past poor attendance.

Another Faculty Senator brought up that communication is the problem in large divisions. Some large divisions need representation.

Dr. Lowenstein stated that Senators need to be elected not appointed by Chairs.

A vote was proposed and seconded for Faculty Senator apportionment to be 1 representative per 40 department members with a cap of 7 per department. The Senate voted unanimously, 32 in favor, none opposed, and 1 abstention.

There was a motion to adjourn. The vote was unanimous to adjourn. President Druck adjourned the meeting at 5:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Braverman MD
Faculty Senate Secretary