I. GREETINGS – Dean Reilly

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The February 20, 2018, meeting minutes were adopted unanimously as presented.

III. DEAN’S UPDATES

The Dean referenced the updates document (see attached) and then noted additional items.

The Colorado State Legislature proposed capital funding of approximately $52 million over three years for the new research building on campus. If approved, this will represent 20% of the cost of building. The school will need to generate another $6 million-$8 million/year to cover the debt service and operating costs of the new building, which is
approximately $20 million of NIH funding. An architecture team is working on final design proposals for the new building.

Construction will start on the remodeling of the first floor of Academic Office Building One, with a new office space design for the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, as well as pilot design concepts of shared office space between departments. The pilot design concepts may ultimately be used in the design of office space in the new research building. The new building will have 29,000 sq. feet of additional space underground that will connect via tunnel to the current RC2 vivarium and will be designed with an appropriate HVAC system for additional research space. The building will tentatively open in 2021.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Assignment of Income/Definition of Exempt Honoria: Dr. Reilly discussed qualifications for exempt honoraria and assignable income, per Steve Zweck-Bronner, Sr. Managing Associate Counsel, University of Colorado, and Steve Lowenstein, MD, MPH, Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs. The attached document clarifies what income qualifies as exempt honoraria versus income that needs to be routed through CU Medicine per the member practice agreements.

Examples of exempt honoraria include: one-time or continuing encounters with a not-for-profit entity (an NIH study section, VA study section, grant reviews for nonprofit foundations, visiting professor or lectureship, etc.).

Examples of non-exempt activity that need to be routed through CU Medicine: providing expertise to outside for-profit organizations, whether a single meeting or ongoing engagement.

B. SPARK Program: Gali Baler, PhD, lead venture analyst, CU Innovations Office (see attached slides for additional information)

The SPARK program is a new initiative led by CU Innovations Office. The program is a two year accelerator program that will fund/support ten technologies/year, giving up to $100,000 to each technology/project in the program. Projects selected will be involved in medical devices, diagnostics, and pharmaceuticals industries. In addition to being a funding source for participants, the program also allows for accountability for how grant dollars are being used, with quarterly, monthly, and bi-weekly requirements in the program. The overall goal of the program is to allow participants to have a plan for commercialization for either starting a company or licensing their product to an industry.

All departments are encouraged to participate and tell faculty about the SPARK program. CU Innovations and their colleagues will provide one merit based award to the top project, and the remaining nine projects will be supported by the
Departments themselves. CU Innovations is asking for a soft commitment of $100,000-$200,000 from departments to support those projects. Departments will only pay if the projects/teams in their department are selected.

C. Faculty Senate Updates: Kathleen Torkko, PhD, Faculty Senate President: The March faculty senate meeting was held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018. Steve Smidt, patrol division commander, and Essie Ellis, emergency manager, from the University police department, provided campus safety updates, specifically regarding the classroom security projects. Over 60 rooms in the education buildings received security updates, including panic buttons, emergency trauma kits, strobe lights, and protective films on windows. For additional information please visit: www.ucdenver.edu/alert.

D. Affiliate Updates
Rocky Mountain Regional VA Medical Center: Ellen Mangione, MD, Chief of Staff:

The VA’s joint incentive fund initiative, partnered with the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, will likely end in January 2019. The Air Force Academy will be undergoing a renovation of their OR space, which the VA has been sharing for outpatient surgeries. The VA is looking for space to share in the Colorado Springs area, but it does not have a location confirmed at this time. The entire staff from that facility could be relocated to another entity in that area, or the staff could be placed in other assignments. This will impact the level of care provided to the nearly 1,100 cases seen in that area.

David Norris, MD, chair, Department of Dermatology, asked about the status of the CHOICE program for veterans. Dr. Norris indicated that the program provides services for some of those patients on the Anschutz campus. Dr. Mangione noted that the CHOICE program will continue, but providers are not satisfied with the agreement because they are not getting paid and the VA says it is not getting records back in a timely manner, resulting in a patient safety issue. Congress is looking into options to improve the program.

The grand opening for the new VA facility is scheduled for August 11, 2018, and they expect first inpatients on August 4. Sixty-one teams are currently working on the transition to the new facility and expect to start moving in mid-July 2018.

Dr. Reilly noted that a soft opening was held for the Cohen Veterans Network, a foundation funded by Steve Cohen, which is a network of behavioral health clinics offered for veterans and their families located in Greenwood Village,
Colorado, and managed by the leadership of the Johnson Depression Center. An official grand opening will be held in May 2018.

**Denver Health: Connie Savor Price, MD, Chief Medical Officer**

Denver Health started the construction of their new outpatient medical center, which will be a multi-specialty outpatient clinic with ambulatory surgery services.

The search for the director of service of orthopedics, led by John Kendall, MD, is going through first round interviews. The director of service of radiology search will be underway in the next couple of weeks. Denver Health started using PRISM and is working on getting faculty into the system. There are currently 82 research trials and 112 other organized research projects being held at Denver Health. A chief research officer was hired in 2017 and they launched a new pilot program to fund research projects for junior faculty. Denver Health announced the awardees for those pilot study research grants.

Discussions are underway at Denver Health on how to implement a new rule for being able to bill for medical student notes more seamlessly.

*Other updates from Dr. Reilly:*

Leadership on the Anschutz campus decided to move from a system that involves mapping individual benefit costs to every individual faculty and staff member, to creating pools of faculty and staff, calculating the benefit costs and aggregate for that pool, and then creating a percentage rate to apply to the pool. The school is working on a model that reflects current data in order to more accurately determine how departments will be affected, and is also working on a strategy to mitigate the financial impact on the departments.

There is also discussion of the development of a new budget model for the campus which would involve the creation of two new cost pools for the campus. The first cost pool would be the creation of a fund for the chancellor to be able to invest in campus-wide initiatives, called the Anschutz Strategic Investment Fund. The other relates to a fund to invest in the maintenance of the campus.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

I. **APPROVAL ITEMS**

   A. Senior clinical appointments and promotions committee actions were approved unanimously.

   B. Faculty promotions committee actions were approved unanimously.
II. FYI ITEMS

III. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

*Minutes submitted by School of Medicine Dean’s Office*