Anschutz Medical Campus Faculty Assembly Meeting

March 25, 2014
11:30 am – 1:30 pm
Academic 1 Building, 7th Floor Board Room

Minutes

Attendees: Rob MacLaren, Lisa Hong, David Port, Brian Brada, Pallavi Parashar, Ron Brown, Jerry Perry, Ron Gill, Colleen Dingmann, James Davidson, Jeff Druck, Paula Meek, Judy Igoe, and Health Ponicsan

11:39 am Dr. David Port, AMC Faculty Assembly Chair
o Meeting called to order

11:40 am Provost Nairn – Office of the Provost

Office of the Provost Updates

Board of Regents Update(s):
  o The budget and tuition / fees have passed.
  o The board will likely vote on the SOM combining the Microbiology and Immunology departments at the next meeting. Updates to follow.

Dean Searches:
  o The SOM has selected a search firm to work with the Dean’s Search Committee to replace Dr. Richard Krugman
  o Chief International Officer – The search committee has identified 4 finalists for the position.

Bio-Science Building (AMC): Groundbreaking for the new Bio-Science Building will be on Wednesday – April 2, 2014 at 10am.

CU South Denver Initiative: An official opening has been schedule for April 3, 2014. Interested programs are being reviewed to start in fall 2014. Interested schools and colleges include; College of Nursing (BSN), Colorado School of Public Health (certificates), College of Engineering and Applied Sciences, Business School and the School of Education and Human Development. This will not be another separate campus, but an extension of CU Denver.

Innovation Initiative (nSchool): The Budget Priorities Committee has reviewed this budget and currently an offer letter is being drafted.

Program Prioritization: By the request of the Regents, the review of programs on the CU Denver downtown campus, UCCS, and CU Boulder is ongoing. Currently data is being reviewed to determine faculty teaching costs, etc. The Downtown campus is hoping to have this completed by November 2014.
MOOCs: The downtown campus currently is offering a course in Global Energy Management. At this time, the AMC is developing a course in Global Medicine / Health.

11:55 am Neil Krauss – Director of Administration

AMC Updates

Student Surveys are currently being conducted in conjunction with the FRA/Developers and the AMC Student Government. The focus is to ask students their opinions on student housing. The survey will be left open for another week. Please encourage students to participate. Results will be discussed in a future meeting.

A group of faculty, staff, and students recently walked around campus at 4am to determine where better lighting could be put in place for a safer campus.

There have been more homeless visitors in the Health Sciences Library. Currently the library staff is working with the campus police department and the City of Aurora to help keep this area safe and open for the use of faculty, staff, and students. The AMC is also trying to help engage more campus community involvement. This could potentially be a project that CU Denver can become more involved. Phil Anschutz continues to give AMC funds for programmatic support. The recent concerns with the library might be a great opportunity for the AMC to help with mental healthcare and support to have more community involvement.

Signage for the campus will be completed soon. Delays occurred when reordering materials. Signs will be placed at all entrances to campus as well as new landscaping.

12:11 pm Dr. David Port, AMC Faculty Assembly Chair

Chair’s Report

Approval of February 2014 Minutes

- Motion to Approve: Jeff Druck
- 2nd Motion: Ron Brown
- AMC Faculty Assembly: Unanimously Approved

Dr. Port has been working on updating the AMC Faculty Assembly Bylaws and Constitution. Karin Rees sent copies to Faculty Senate Presidents for approval. Once revisions or approvals are received, the faculty assembly will vote.

The AMC Faculty Assembly is to meet 10 times per year. The next meeting will be the Annual Faculty Assembly Meeting with the downtown campus on Tuesday, May 6th at 12:00 – 2:00pm in the Academic 1 – 7th Floor Board Room. Please note we will not be having the April meeting.

The Health System CEO Search is currently in the process of airport interviews with 8 potential candidates that will occur during the end of March to early April. The hope is to have that narrowed down to 3 finalists by May / June. Updates will follow.
The SOM Dean Search continues. A job description has been written and work with the external search firm will begin in late April. The search committee is being led by Dean Geoff (CSPH). It is likely that the incoming Dean will also be a member of the UPI and the University Hospital Boards.

Tech Transfer Office (TTO) / Office of Grants and Contracts (OGC): Recently, Dr. Laura Simon from the Office of Corporate Alliances has resigned. Dr. Port is following up with Chancellor Elliman and VP Lilly Marks to understand more completely how the process of OGC and TTO review will take place. If you feel that clinical trials are a concern within your departments, please speak with your department heads to keep this topic on the radar of administration.

The Stem Cell Center, under the direction of Dr. Dennis Roop, has formed an entity that will be renting out the top floor of the new Biotech building. This space will be utilized as a GMP facility to grow stem cells for stem cell therapy for use on campus.

There was discussion with administration on how to address situations on campus and guidance / assistance from crisis management. The recent shooting on campus and the previous situation with the Aurora theatre shooting will be reviewed. Dr. Port would like to see a report on best practices or invite Doug Abraham, Chief of Police, for a campus safety update.

12:55 pm College / School Reports:

- **College of Nursing**: The CON is currently working on the accreditation for the Doctorate of Nursing Practice.
- **Colorado School of Public Health (Richard Lindrooth)**: Student applications are above last year's levels. The new global health MPH accounts for much of the growth year over year. PhD and DrPH applications are also up, surpassing expectations. Biostats hired a new chair, Dr. Debashis Ghosh from Penn State University.
- **Graduate School**: Applications and interviews are being conducted and should be wrapped up by April to determine how many grad students will be on campus next year.
- **Health Sciences Library**: The HSL continues to work with the schools and colleges on implementation on long term clinical faculty extension for access to library resources. The HSL is also working with the CSPH on a presentation around the Ludlow Massacre. The library will also have an exhibit around Native Americans involved in mining and natural resources extraction in Colorado. Look for campus announcements on these events.
- **Retired Faculty Association**: The RFA continues to work with benefits and human resources. The retired faculty has also been discussing concerns about losing access to their CU email addresses.
- **School of Dental Medicine**: In the SODM their graduates could maintain their CU email for 6 months but has now been changed to be able to be accessed indefinitely.
- **School of Medicine**: The SOM continues to look at candidates for Dean. The first wave of students to migrate to the UCCS, 3rd and 4th
year students, is being prepared. The RC1 Building is still being looked at for office space, labs, and classrooms.

- **Skaggs School of Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences:** The SOP is working on its first accreditation in September 2015 with new curriculum. One-third of their grads will go to new residency programs. Currently the SOP is on a growth curve.

- **Student Government Association:** Student Government has been working with Rachel Davis, Mental Health Services, working on mental health training. Recently 50 students from all disciplines got together - Saturday, April 26th for 8 hours to discuss and gather resources. Currently there is also no formal policy or resources for students on domestic violence / sexual assault problems. These items will continue to be reviewed and announced once completed.

1:05 pm  **Jill Pollock – Vice President Employee and Information Services**
Healthcare Trust

Jill Pollock discussed the background and recent changes to benefits. Changes included; declaring obesity as a disease, initiatives of the Be Colorado Move Program, smoking cessation programs, Weight Watchers programs, Children’ Programs, and Health / Wellness programs being offered in the Health and Wellness Center on campus. The handout can be found on the AMC Faculty Assembly Website. Please also visit the link to the Healthcare Trust Website for more information; [https://www.cusys.edu/trust/](https://www.cusys.edu/trust/).

1:40 pm  **Adjourn**