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Meeting Minutes
UNM Health Sciences Center Committee
December 09, 2019

UNM Health Sciences Center Committee (the “HSCC”) members present:

Robert Schwartz
Doug Brown
Melissa Henry

Regent Schwartz called the meeting of the HSC Committee to order at 8:35 a.m. and confirmed that a quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made to adopt the agenda. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-0 in favor.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes of October 08, 2019 HSC Committee meeting. The motion was seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-0.

Regent Comments

Regent Schwartz thanked everyone for accommodating the Monday meeting date and expressed how glad he was to attend in person as opposed to via Zoom.

Chancellor’s Administrative Report

Dr. Roth announced that the College of Pharmacy has a newly approved BS in Pharmaceutical Science. It’s for those students hoping to work in the biomedical, biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries as entry-level lab technicians. We expect 20 to 30 students per graduating class within five years – and UNM is the only school in New Mexico where this degree is available.

Dr. Roth acknowledged Bryce Chackerian and David Peabody, both professors in the Department of Molecular Genetics & Microbiology, for their selection as 2019 Fellows by the National Academy of Inventors, a very prestigious award. They have a longtime partnership that focuses on creating customized vaccines for a variety of diseases using virus-like particles, or VLPs. These VLPs are essentially RNA bacteriophages – viruses that infect bacteria – that have had their genetic material removed, rendering them non-infectious.

Dr. Richards, Dr. Fair and Dr. Roth gave an update on the Department of Neurosurgery. There was discussion about the reaccreditation process, the decision not to pursue an appeal, the ranks of current faculty and the current and future case mix, hiring plans for APPs, and a timeline for rebuilding a program in regards to the Neurosurgery residency program.

Ava Lovell presented the monthly HSC Financial report with information through October 31, 2019. There was discussion about reformatting reporting and research expenditures.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Action Items

Several items were presented for approval:

1. Bruce Cherrin requested Contract Approval for the New Mexico Cancer Alliance (Bruce Cherrin).
A motion was made to approve and seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-0 in favor.
2. Jamie Silva-Steele presented an overview of and requested Project/ Program approval for the Health Sciences Rio Rancho Campus Orthopaedic Surgery and Rehabilitation Center of Excellence.
A motion was made to approve and seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-0 in favor.

UNM Health System Update

Dr. Mike Richards provided the Health System update with information through October 2019 on Quality and Safety scores, Activity Levels, Finances, Total Net Margin, and Balance Sheet, and Leading to Excellence and Huron initiatives. There was discussion of factors contributing to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services rating for UNMH.

Information Item:

Mauricio Tohen and Deborah Altschul, from the department presented on the status of the Behavioral Health Athletics Clinic, serving UNM athletes. They presented the current state as well as challenges and future needs. There was discussion regarding staffing levels and demand, as well as funding. There was discussion about access for all students to behavioral health assistance.

Action Items (continued)

Several items were presented for approval:

3. Jill Klar requested approval for the Appointment of a New UNMMG Board Directors and Renewal of two Existing Board Members
A motion was made to approve and seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-0 in favor.
4. Kate Becker) request Approval for the Appointment of a new UNMH Board of Trustee Member
A motion was made to approve and seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-0 in favor.
5. Bonnie White requested approval of two UNMH items:
 - 5ACC Clinic Renovations (\$2,000,000)
 - UH-Main Lands West Curb and Gutter Improvements (\$626,000)

A motion was made to approve both items and was seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-0 in favor.

Regent Schwartz recommended approval items move forward as items on the Consent Docket for the Full Board of Regents' Agenda.

A motion was made to approve and seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-0 in favor.

Information Items

Chamiza Pacheco de Alas, Chief of Staff in the Office of the Chancellor, Carol Pierce, Director of Family & Community Services, City of Albuquerque from the City of Albuquerque, and Sarita Nair, Chief Administrative Officer for the City of Albuquerque presented on the collaboration between the City and UNM HSC regarding Homelessness.

Closed Session

A motion was made to close the meeting and seconded. The motion passed with a roll call vote of 3-0-0 in favor.

Open Session

A vote to reconvene in open session and certify that only those matters described in Agenda Item XI above were discussed in Executive Session was made and seconded. The motion passed with a roll call vote of 3-0-0 in favor.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-0 in favor.

Approval of Minutes:



Robert Schwartz, Chair, HSC Committee

2/11/2020

Date

