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Minutes of 09/04/2015 HSC Board of Directors Mtg

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UNM Health Sciences Center Board of Directors (the “Board”) members present: Robert Doughty, III, Chair, Jack Fortner, Vice Chair, Michael Olguin, Marron Lee, James Koch, Ryan Berryman.
Board members not present: Ann Rhoades, Mel Eaves
UNM Leadership present: Bob Frank, PhD
UNM HSC Leadership present: Paul Roth, MD, MS, Chancellor for Health Sciences, and additional members of the Health System and Health Sciences Center leadership
Others present: members of the UNM faculty and staff

Chair Robert Doughty called the meeting of the Board to order at 9:05 a.m. The Chair announced that a quorum of the members of the Board was present.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-0.

Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2015 meeting of the Board. The motion was seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-0.

Comments from Directors

Regent/Director Ryan Berryman gave a brief update on behalf of the HSC Student Council that included election results, announcement of flu shot clinics, Fit for Fun 5K event, etc.

UNM HSC Faculty Senate Council Update

Dr. Lee Brown, Chair, UNM Health Sciences Center Faculty Senate Council provided an update that included information on the HSC Faculty Senate Council description and charge, membership, work that has been done over the past year, i.e., pursuit of the availability of tenure for Clinical Educators at the HSC, trip to Santa Fe for UNM Day to meet with legislators, E40 and research misconduct, meeting with
Provost Abdallah regarding University finances, positive support for the proposed College of Population Health, encouraging additional collaboration between faculty on main campus and the HSC campus, and recruitment efforts for more HSC members to serve on UNM Faculty Senate committees.

Chancellor’s Administrative Report

Dr. Paul Roth presented information regarding results of current lack of adequate beds in the hospital and that in August there were 41 patients that had to be turned away due to lack of space, that the UNM College of Nursing has graduated the first group of students from the New Mexico Nursing Education Consortium (NMNEC), and the introduction of Dr. Michael Gomez as the Health System Executive Medical Director of Clinics. Dr. Roth introduced Dr. Sanjeev Arora who provided an overview of the Extension for Community Health Outcomes (ECHO) program. The following discussion included how other areas in New Mexico can access ECHO.

UNM Health System Update

Mr. McKernan’s update included activity levels. Discussion included difference between “Emergency Care” and “Urgent Care,” how the impact of Urgent Care does not decrease number of Emergency Room patients (Medicare’s regulation that all patients get freedom of choice), suggestion to have information audited to verify data on lack of beds, federal government statistics, description of average patients in licensed beds in hospital units, etc. Discussion was held on wait times and impact of potential inefficiencies. Dr. Mike Richards presented on post-acute care and capacity, adult inpatient area is currently the most critical situation, patients’ choice, penalties on readmissions, Master Facility Plan updates with a draft document that is planned to be distributed to Directors in September for discussion purposes for an information item at the October HSC Board of Directors’ meeting, and identifying low acuity patients to transfer to other appropriate facilities in town which allows for more additional capacity to treat high complexity patients. Dr. Richards highlighted the success of the Sandoval Regional Medical Center, Inc. and recognized Ms. Jamie Silva-Steele and Dr. Tony Ogburn’s leadership in this success. A discussion was held on the Master Facility Plan, timeline and clarity. Mr. McKernan announced that October 1st is the date of ICD-10 (the way physicians code their records in the U.S.; use of over 77,000 diagnostic codes) implementation and the Health System plans.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.
Action Items

Request for the Approval of the Health Sciences Center Summer Graduates

Dr. Leslie Morrison presented the HSC summer graduates and requested the approval of the HSC Board of Directors. A discussion included information jobs already secured by these graduates. A motion was made to approve the HSC summer graduates. The motion was passed. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-0 in favor.

Request for the Approval of the College of Population Health

Dr. Deborah Helitzer presented an overview of the proposed College of Population Health that included background on how “population health” is defined, addressing social determinants, population health as a connector (i.e., public health, wellness, chronic disease management), the College of Population health and the Health System, benefits to addressing social determinants proactively, the main focus of population health, education, population health research, the skills and population health knowledge of students (i.e., data analytics), students will be prepared for jobs and the changing U.S. economy, the available jobs in New Mexico for students who graduate with a Population Health degree, and next steps. Dr. Helitzer noted that the proposed College of Population Health has been approved by the UNM Faculty Senate. Following her presentation, a discussion was held on timing, availability of jobs, and the concentration on attracting students from rural areas throughout New Mexico. Ms. Ava Lovell presented six-year financial projections for the proposed College of Population Health. Discussion was held on if the College of Population Health can survive a 3% increase in tuition and Ms. Lovell explained why it could. President Frank added that the assumptions presented at this meeting were very conservative. Discussion continued on suggested edits to the slides, benefits University-wide, etc. A motion was made to approve the establishment of the UNM College of Population Health. The motion was seconded. No further discussion. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-0 in favor.

Request for the Approval of UNM Hospitals Contracts

Mr. Steve McKernan provided background on the four proposed UNM Hospitals contracts with Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Mexico, Ikaria-Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals, Cyberonics Incorporated-NCS Therapy System, and Lifecell Corporation. A discussion was held on post-retirement health care benefits. A motion was made to approve the UNM Hospitals contracts with Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Mexico, Ikaria-Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals, Cyberonics Incorporated, and Lifecell Corporation. The motion was seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-0 in favor.
Information Items

Health Sciences Center Education Overview

Dr. Leslie Morrison provided an overview of the educational programs at the Health Sciences Center that included student outcomes, 70th anniversary of the College of Pharmacy, 60th anniversary of the College of Nursing, the 50th anniversary for the School of Medicine, the HSC programs include College of Nursing, College of Pharmacy, MD program, and the Health Professions and Public Health, and College of Population Health, degrees conferred, time required to complete degrees, Medical Laboratory Sciences, etc. A discussion was held on employment rates of the HSC graduates, publicizing data on such employment and where the graduates are obtaining jobs. Dr. Roth highlighted that HSC graduates are mandated to secure licensure prior to obtaining jobs. A discussion was held on the old MCAT and range of new scoring system, Continuing Medical Education, mini-sabbaticals. Dr. Morrison continued with information on Interprofessional Education, assessment, and UNM West.

HSC Financial Update

Ms. Ava Lovell provided an overview of the full year for 2015 HSC finances on UNM Hospitals, UNM Medical Group, Inc., and the Sandoval Regional Medical Center, Inc. Metrics included Uncompensated Care, Balance Sheet, Accounts Receivable, Days Cash on Hand, emphasis on UNM Hospitals’ Days Cash on Hand and the importance of a large balance of Cash on Hand – Moody’s recently released their recommended Days Cash on Hand of 180 days for a Double A rating.

Regent Doughty noted that the UNM Hospitals Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes for July 31, 2015, the SRMC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes for July 22, 2015 were included as information items. No discussion.

Executive Session

A motion was made to close the open portion of the meeting and for the Board to convene in executive session for the reasons specified in the published agenda. The motion was seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-0 in favor.

Following the executive session, a motion was made to reconvene in open session and a certification that only those matters described in agenda item XI were discussed in executive session. The motion was seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-0 in favor.
Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-0 in favor.

Minutes were prepared by Patrice Martin and finalized on September 10, 2015.

Approval of Minutes:

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Regent Robert Doughty, III, Chair                     Date