



**University of Colorado Medical Alumni Association**  
***Meeting of Board of Directors***  
***January 26, 2004***

**Present:** M. Anderson, M. Bartlett, J.J. Cohen, R. Downey, D. Dreitlein (via phone), M. Goodwin, D. Gordon, S. Gottesfeld, G. Hickman, C. Hogan, D. Hutchison, R. Krugman, C. May, D. Mills, G. Merenstein, C.E. Mossberg, C. Petersen (via phone), R. Rymer, R. Zucherman (via phone)

**Guest:** S. Silverberg, D. Scott

**Staff:** A. DeLeon, W. Reoch

**Absent:** D. Bessesen, A. Best, D. Dart, P. Gnadinger, P. Halandras, S. Iyengar, A. Sambunaris, P. Stepp, G. Soriya, A. Stowers, J. Zimbelman

**Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m. Introductions were made around the table and by telephone.

**Approval of minutes**

Minutes were approved with out comment.

**President's Report**

M. Goodwin welcomed group and our new board members D. Dreitlein attending via phone conference and A. Sambunaris who was unable to attend. Dr. Goodwin also welcomed two guests, Drs. Silverberg and Scott.

**Dean's Report**

Dean Krugman passed out copies of the annual State of the School report. He noted the lawsuit against the Certificates of Participation (COPs) used to fund some of the construction on the Fitzsimons campus. The District Court ruled in favor of the COPs, there will be an appeal and the matter will go to the Supreme Court. It may be held up 6 months to one year in this process but the School has some indication that the outcome will be favorable. Dean Krugman also provided a brief Curriculum Task Force update. Dr. Bruce Wallace and Dr. Robert Peterson are the core coordinators. The new curriculum is targeted for implementation for the class entering in the summer of 2005. Dean Krugman noted discussions are still underway regarding the consolidation of HSC and the CU-Denver campuses. Jim Shore continues to perform double duty as the chancellor for HSC and the interim chancellor at the CU-Denver campus. M. Goodwin inquired about the emergency room staffing situation at Fitzsimons. Dean Krugman noted things are still unsettled. D. Scott asked if CU had plans to add a School of Public Health and Dean Krugman noted it is a good idea but the University currently lacks the base funding (approximately 1 million dollars) to undertake this sort of effort. M. Goodwin asked about the plans for the UCHSC 9<sup>th</sup> Ave & Colorado Blvd campus after we move into Fitzsimons. Dean Krugman noted that of the proceeds from the redevelopment of the old campus, the first 1 million will go to state to pay for COP program, the remaining funds will be split 50/50 to state and CU.

Dean Krugman reported that the School was interviewing the last two finalists for the Communications Director position and hoped to have it filled shortly. This individual would assist with the publication of CU Medicine Today.

## **Committee Reports**

### Finance Committee

C.E. Mossberg stated he reviewed the budget report and everything was on track. The motion to approve the report was seconded and unanimously approved.

### Class Reps/Reunion Committee

M. Goodwin reported the CME course is scheduled on the first day of the 2004 reunion. The course will be 4 hours and cost \$50 including lunch. The subject will focus on research highlights at the School, especially High Altitude Medicine. D. Scott discussed recent news regarding Mountain Altitude Sickness. R. Rymer and D. Hutchinson agreed it was a topic that will draw great interest. W. Reoch reported the Silver and Gold Alumni, Faculty and Student Awards Banquet would be held in the 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Anschutz Inpatient Pavilion on the Fitzsimons campus. Dean Krugman noted the School of Medicine has invited the entire senior class and a guest at no charge in an effort to increase attendance. W. Reoch was asked to inquire about having the senior skit performed at reunion.

### Awards Committee

G. Hickman reported that the nomination letters are being mailed this week. He asked for volunteers to review submissions for the Silver & Gold Awards. If you are interested in participating on the committee, please contact him or the Alumni Office.

### Nominating Committee

No report.

### HOST/Mentoring Committee

Student reps agreed to pass the word to fellow students now that the program has been posted on the website. It was agreed the Mentoring/Hosting program needs to be publicized more to create awareness and interest. D. Goodwin will mention the program in his Alumni President's column for the spring edition of CU Medicine Today.

### Student Activities Committee

C. Petersen reported the committee would fund the Cadaver Memorial Garden in place of the 4<sup>th</sup> year medical student's Match Bash party. \$3,600 has been donated for the Cadaver Memorial Garden since the publishing of the program in the CU Medicine Today. G. Merenstein reported a group of faculty is planning to sponsor a White Coat fund. W. Reoch inquired about the student Thank-A-Thon. R. Downey reported they are looking for volunteers. C. Hogan reported they are getting organized but need addition a one time to coordinate the project. This is a student project to call alumni who have donated to the School in the last year and thank them for their recent gift.

G. Hickman inquired if there was an area our at Fitzsimons for alums to donate and put their name on a wall. Dean Krugman noted that discussion continues for a space on the campus for both alumni and students but that the cuts to the budget have adversely impacted the planning for a student center on the new campus. He will keep the Alumni board posted on any updates regarding this issue.

**Student Representative Reports**

D. Downey, Class of '06, reported his class is busy studying and preparing for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year boards. C. May, Class of '07, reported students are researching what to do this summer regarding mentorship programs and volunteer opportunities.

**Alumni Office Report**

W. Reoch provided demographic breakdown of current membership. The data was reviewed. Of 15,000 alumni, approximately 9,000 have mailable addresses and 400 of those mailable alumni are dues paying members (4%). The alumni office is exploring ways to increase membership including personal appeals from board members. C. Petersen offered to send a letter to her class over her signature and will review the letter; make changes and email back to W. Reoch for mailing. M. Goodwin asked for a committee to help the Alumni Office produce CU Medicine Today. D. Gordon and R. Rymer volunteered. W. Reoch proposed hosting the next board meeting at Fitzsimons and including a brief tour of new buildings before or after the board meeting.

**New Business****Unfinished Business** (None)

D. Gordon strongly urged the Alumni Office to resolved the technical problems with the phone conferencing. W. Reoch will research improvements.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

August DeLeon  
Secretary pro tem