Members present: Drs. Gracias, Bachmann, Brewer, Cadoff, Cuccurullo, DiCicco-Bloom, Dreyfus, Eisenstein, Gatt, Hegyi, Gochfeld (for Kipen), Menza, Nosher, Pine, Walker (for Scardella), Tallia, Walworth, Whitley-Williams

Also present: Drs. Bershad, Escobar, Gelinas, Jahn, Kostis, McCathern, Millonig, Rabson, Swee, and Ms. Hansen

Members not present: Drs. Dhib-Jalbut, Fratzola, Graham, Green, Haffty, Kim, Laumbach, Rao, Tobia

1. Approval of Minutes of March 19, 2014
   - The minutes of the March 19, 2014 meeting were approved as submitted.

2. Searching for Excellence & Diversity – Eric G. Jahn, MD, Sr. Associate Dean for Community Health and David E. Swee, MD, Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs and Development provided the council with a presentation focused on diversity. This presentation is given to newly established search committee members at their charge meeting. A brief question/answer period followed the presentation.

3. Dean's report – Vicente H. Gracias, MD, Interim Dean
   Announcements:
   - Robert Wood Johnson Medical School Class of 2014 Match day was held on March 21, 2014. Of the students who participated, 98% matched to a residency of their choice. This exceeds the national average of 94.4%. The medical school has exceeded the national match rate each year for more than 10 years.

   Research Announcements:
   - A new study is giving hope to older men who are concerned about the effects of cholesterol-lowering medications on their sexual health. The study, by John B. Kostis, MD, Professor of Medicine, Director of the Cardiovascular Institute at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and the study's principal investigator and others, states that, “our research indicates that statins not only improve cardiovascular health and reduce the risk of stroke and heart attack, but also improve erectile function in the men included in our analysis.” The investigators presented their findings at the American College of Cardiology’s Annual Scientific Session and simultaneously released the study in *The Journal of Sexual Medicine*.

   Program Reports – CMU:
   - The third meeting of the Clinical Management Unit will meet on Tuesday, May 6, 2014. Dr. Joe Barone will be the presenter.

4. Old Business
   Search Committee Status:
   - Chair, Department of Medicine – Final Candidates are being reviewed
   - Chair, Department of Surgery – Final Candidates are being reviewed
   - Chair, Emergency Medicine – Candidates are being interviewed

5. New Business
   - The Clinical Care and Operations Committee requested the formation of a working group to select a portfolio of quality measures that will meet all of the reporting requirements for the various programs in which the group is participating. Representation is needed from all clinical departments to ensure that the selected measures are meaningful and achievable. It is anticipated that the work of this group can be completed by the end of the academic year, but the group will need to reconvene annually to review changes to requirements and available quality measures.
6. Upcoming Events:

**April 26, 2014 - 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM**
Rutgers Day – Free Admission
College Avenue & Busch Campuses
For more information visit:  [http://rutgersday.rutgers.edu/](http://rutgersday.rutgers.edu/)

**April 28, 2014 - 12:30 PM**
Dean’s Faculty Meeting
Conference Room 123
Robert Wood Johnson Medical School
675 Hoes Lane
Piscataway, NJ
For more information, contact:  hansenmp@rwjms.rutgers.edu

**May 3, 2014 – 10:00 AM Registration; 11:00 AM Walk**
Great Strides Walk Hosted by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, NJ Chapter
Johnson Park – River Road, Piscataway, NJ
For more information, contact:  mcelroer@rwjms.rutgers.edu

**May 12, 2014 – 4:00 PM**
17th Annual Mates David and Hinna Stahl Memorial Lecture in Bioethics
Conference Room 1302
Clinical Academic Building
Robert Wood Johnson Medical School
125 Paterson Street, New Brunswick, NJ
Reception to follow in Conference Room 3403/3404

**Speaker:** Mildred Z. Solomon, EdD
President
The Hastings Center
Garrison New York

**Topic:** Learning Healthcare Systems: Ethical Issues and Oversight in Clinical Comparative Effectiveness Research and Implementation Science

For more information, contact:  evansje1@rwjms.rutgers.edu

**May 15, 2014 – 6:30 PM**
Graduation Banquet

The Imperia
1714 Easton Avenue, Somerset, NJ
For more information contact:  kleemame@rwjms.rutgers.edu

**May 18, 2014 – 6:00 PM**
Convocation Ceremony

State Theatre
11 Livingston Avenue – New Brunswick, NJ
For more information, contact:  hansenmp@rwjms.rutgers.edu
7. Other Dean's Report Topics Discussed

a. Budget
b. Community
c. RWJUH/BMSCH
d. Access
e. Regional
f. Clinical Programs
g. Education
h. Research

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Dorothy Hatcher
Office of the Dean