Members present: Drs. Bachmann, Brewer, Cuccurullo, Dhib-Jalbut, Dreyfus, Eisenstein, Gatt, Hegyi, Kim, Lee, Levine, Liu, Menza, Nosher, Pilch, Pine, Rosen, Roth, Tallia, Walworth, Whitley-Williams, Wondisford and Dr. Ning Jeff Yue for Dr. Haffty

Also present: Drs. Barone, Gabriel, Gelinas, Jahn, Kelly, Kountz, McCallum, Millionig, Rabson, Radovick, Stock, Swee, Terregino, Walker and Ms. Hansen, Mr. Prodoehl

Members not present: Drs. Bershad, Fratzola, Green, Kostis, Rao and Mr. Mesisca

1. Approval of Minutes of March 10, 2016
   The minutes of the March 10th meeting were approved as submitted.

2. Finance Presentation: “Funds Flow for Joint Recruits”
   Kathleen Bramwell, MBA
   Senior Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration RBHS
   The Vice Chancellor presented a draft of the Rutgers Biomedical Health Sciences Funds Flow Among Centers, Institutes and Schools.
   Ms. Bramwell indicated that this proposal represented a new approach in providing Financing options to facilities, departments and institutes.
   Members participated in follow up discussions; questions were addressed by the presenter.

3. Dean’s report – Sherine E. Gabriel, MD, MSc.
   The highlights of the Dean’s report are included below. The Dean commented on the contents of the report in her remarks to the meeting and thanked members who attended the 2016 Scholarship Gala.

HIGHLIGHTS

Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School Dean’s Report to the Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School Executive Council – April 14, 2016

News

The partnership between Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital was a featured presentation at a recent meeting of the Council of Deans and Council of Teaching Hospitals hosted by the Association for American Medical Colleges. Dr. Sherine E. Gabriel, dean, along with Michael Antoniades, MPA, executive vice president and chief operating officer, RWJ, spoke on the nearly 40-year collaboration between the school and hospital, and the benefits of strategic alignment for the entities and patients alike.

The school’s annual Scholarship Gala will be held on Saturday, April 9 at The Heldrich. All proceeds from the event support student scholarships at Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. Approximately $1 million has been raised since 2011 due to the support of faculty, staff, alumni and friends. I extend the school’s gratitude for the support Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital has provided since the Gala’s inception.

Dr. Sherine E. Gabriel, dean, and Dr. Jeffrey L. Carson, professor of medicine and provost of Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences, were inducted into the Association of American Physicians, joining six additional faculty members of RBHS elected to the AAP, one of the most prestigious honors bestowed on internal medicine physicians.

Researchers at the Child Health Institute of New Jersey are part of a team of collaborators from Rutgers and Stamford University which created technology that potentially could be translated into cell therapy for neurodegenerative diseases such as Parkinson’s. Dr. Zhiping Pang, assistant professor of Neuroscience and Cell Biology, was one of the corresponding authors of the study, published in Nature Communications.
Dr. Archana Pradhan, assistant dean for education, was named chair of the Undergraduate Medical Education Committee for the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics (APOG) this month, and is the corresponding author of a Viewpoint article by members of that committee, which appeared in the March 2016 issue of the *American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology*.

Fourth-year medical student Karan Chhabra, was chosen as the 2015 Health Wonk Scholarship Gold winner by healthinsurance.org. The scholarship recognizes students who are working to improve population health and the quality of health insurance coverage for all Americans.

We had several members of the faculty appear in the news this month:
Dr. Gloria Bachmann, professor and interim chair, obstetrics, gynecology and reproductive medicine, appeared on the PBS/NJTV show Life & Living to discuss empowerment of women in the healthcare setting.

Dr. Manny DiCicco-Bloom, professor of pediatrics and neuroscience and cell biology, appeared in *Spectrum: Autism Research News*.

An editorial written by doctors Gabriela Ferreira, and Michael Steinberg in the Division of Internal Medicine, that accompanied a research study on smoking cessation, was mentioned in numerous media reports, including *U.S. News & World Report*.

An article featuring the lifesaving steps undertaken by Dr. Will Kostis in regard to a 31-year old male patient, husband and father, was featured by myCentralJersey.com and its print publications, including the Home News Tribune.

**From the Office of Education**

Ninety-Four percent of students who will be graduating Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and participating in the National Residency Matching Program matched, which is identical to the national match rate. 19 percent of the graduating students matched to programs in New Jersey, and of these, 15 percent of the students matched to Rutgers Biomedical and Health Science programs. Forty-three percent of the students matched into primary care programs; 19 percent will be surgeons. The story appeared on the front page of the Home News Tribune the following day.

Admissions:
Preliminary numbers: There are currently 190 holding for 160 spots.
24% out-of-state
62% female
14% underrepresented in medicine
11% first generation college students

**Graduate Medical Education**

Pathology and hematopathology received continued accreditation.

Emergency medicine and radiation oncology received letter of accreditation with no citations or areas for improvement.

**From the Office of Research**

RWJMS received 6 research grants and fellowship awards, totaling nearly $1.1 million.

Sara Cuccurullo, MD, clinical professor, chair and residency program director of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, will be awarded the Edward J. Ill Outstanding Medical Educator Award from MDAdvantage and the Excellence in Medicine Foundation Inc., for her outstanding contributions to medical education in New Jersey at a ceremony on May 4, 2016.

**From the Office of Community Health**

On Friday, March 18, 2016, the Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities and the New Jersey Association of People Supporting Employment First (APSE) held their 24th annual transition and employment conference at the Hyatt Regency New Brunswick. More than 500 disability and education professionals attended the conference, which featured keynote presentations by Allison Wohl, executive director of national APSE, and Temple Grandin, PhD, professor of animal science and author.

**From the Clinical Enterprise**

Psychiatry has moved appointment lines over to the UBHC call center. Dermatology will be the next practice to transfer calls to the call center.
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Dr. Terregino commented on the current admissions process, which has been going well.

Approval Request: Name change for the Division of Developmental Biology in the Department of Pediatrics to the “Division of Child Health Sciences”

Dr. Patricia Whitley-Williams provided background to this request and indicated that the name change is more consistent with the work being done by the department. This request was unanimously approved by the Executive Council.

Policy: “Required Reviews of Tenure-Track Faculty and Required Post-Tenure Reviews and Procedures for Tenured Faculty”

Mr. Robert Prodoehl spoke briefly about this new RBHS policy. He informed the meeting that once the document has been finalized the Provost will be invited to address the Executive Council concerning the policy.

Joint Department appointments for Basic and Clinical Faculty

Dr. Celine Gelinas spoke about the intent of this initiative: to foster and increase the collaboration between clinical and basic science departments resulting in the provision of additional opportunities for faculty. The discussion generated comments and questions from members.

Renewal of volunteer faculty process at RWJMS

The meeting discussed the process for renewing Volunteer Faculty. It was noted that no overall RWJMS policy exists on how this process should be handled. Members shared their departments’ internal processes and policies.

Department Heads were invited to share their existing Volunteer Faculty policy/procedure with Rob Prodoehl. It was the consensus of the meeting that a Policy should be drafted.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Anderson
Office of the Dean