**Noorda College of Osteopathic Medicine Dean’s Council**

**July 1, 2021**

**Present**John Dougherty, DO – Dean  
Jeff Bate, MBA – Chief Financial Officer  
Michael Rhodes, MD – Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs  
Lynsey Drew, DO – Assistant Dean for Clinical Affairs  
Alice Akunyili, MD – Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs  
Casey Himmelsbach, MSML, MBA – Associate Dean for Student Affairs  
Jorge Quintana, MSIS, MSISA – Director for Technical Operations  
Maria Vazquez-Amaral, JD, Med – Assistant Dean for Medical Simulation  
Leslie Manley, PhD – Director of Assessment  
Kyle Bills, DC, PhD – Associate Dean for Research  
Jennifer Brown – Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

**Not Present - Excused**  
GME  
COSGP  
  
**Ad Hoc**  
Alexa Levine, MA – Executive Director   
Mike Malmgren, MBA, MAcc – Financial Controller  
Kristy Watters  
Christina Twelves

Call to order 3:00 PM

**COVID Update**  
Delta variant is rising in Utah  
To date: 1100 cases in Utah  
Delta variant is more infectious   
Protection Rates for double vaccinated people is 88% against Delta variant

IHC is requiring masks for employees. Noorda-COM will review the variant rates and will determine if mask mandate is necessary

**Noorda-COM Employees**  
Stay home if you or a family member is sick  
For now masks are optional   
Schyler to prepare COVID email draft for students and employees ready in case CDC mandates change  
Non-vaccinated employees are required to wear masks at work

Student Affairs to manage student immunizations and vaccinations upon admission  
Clinical Education to manage student immunizations and vaccinations upon matriculation

**Budget**  
New fiscal year began July 1. Department budgets are loaded

**Transitioning Leadership**   
Dr. Nielsen will remain President of RMU not Noorda-COM  
Dr. Wright is Interim President of Noorda-COM as appointed by the BOT and NMS  
Dr. Wright will remain UVU Dean of Business School but will be Interim President one day a week until a permanent president is hired

Noorda-COM will not release a formal press release just informing Oppenheimer of the changes  
Noorda-COM to conduct nation wide search for permanent president

**Adjournment: 3:30 PM**