**BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGENDA ITEM**

**Meeting Date:** March 3, 2023

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**Name of Item:** College of Osteopathic Medicine – Mission Statement Approval

**Responsible Staff Member:** Jacquelynn Rich Fredericks

**Summary of Issue:**

The Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation ("COCA") requires that a college of osteopathic medicine “have a written statement of mission” that “explains the overall purpose of the COM’s program and serves as a guide for program planning and assessment.” See COCA-2023-COM-Continuing-Standards.pdf (osteopathic.org) at Standard 1. COCA requires that the COM’s mission be approved by the Board. *Id.* at Standard 1, Element 1.1, Submission 1.1.(5).

On February 10, 2023, the Dean of UNC’s College of Osteopathic Medicine, Dr. Beth Longenecker presented the Board with a proposed mission for the College:

> To provide a transformative education in a culture that cultivates proficiency, inclusion, collaboration, mentorship, and professionalism. We inspire our students to become caring physicians who embrace their identity, deliver patient-centered care, promote health equity, and positively impact the patients and communities they serve.

*See 02/10/23 Tab I, Update on our Developing College of Osteopathic Medicine (unco.edu) at p. 10.*

Recommended motion: Moved that the inaugural mission for the UNC College of Osteopathic Medicine be approved.

**Recommended Action by BOT:** ☑️ Approval ☐ No Action Needed

**Change to Board Policy Manual:** ☐ Approval ☑️ No Action Needed

If yes, Section:

**Administrative Recommendation (Motion):** Approve

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Signature of Vice President: ___________________________  Date: __________  on behalf of President A. Feinstein  __________

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