Chairman’s Report
December 19, 2014

Quality and Safety
• Andy Grande and Cati Miller; Dr. Haines and Paramita Das, Dan Guillaume and Amit Goyal are doing quality work to decrease length of stay, decrease mortality rates and decrease re-admissions.

Public and Professional Engagement

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<td>April 29 – May 2, 2015</td>
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<td>AANS/CNS Section on Tumors 11th Biennial Satellite Tumor Symposium</td>
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<td>April 12 – 15, 2015</td>
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Cutting Edge Training
• Daraspreet received very high praise from a graduate of this program for care that he provided recently.

Discovery
• Paramita has a paper accepted on BRAF mutations in pediatric brain tumors in the Journal of Pediatric Oncology
• Congratulations to Walter Low who was named a recipient of a 2014 Wallin Discovery Grant for a project entitled “Creating Young Blood for Rejuvenating Old Brains”
• He also brought us up to date on the following grants for this year:

University of Minnesota
- National Institutes of Health grant on "Image Guided Transcranial Focused Ultrasound Therapy for Neurological Disorders"
- Stem Cell Institute grant on "Creating Human Dopamine Neurons in Human-Pig Chimeras for Parkinson's Disease"
- University of Minnesota MnDRIVE grant on "DNA Technologies - Developing and Analyzing a New Tool for Sensing and Targeting Disease"
- Center for AIDS Research grant on "Creating Humanized Mice from the Inside-Out to Test the Feasibility of using the CCR5-delta32 Mutation to Treat HIV Infection"
- Institute of Engineering in Medicine grant on "Organ, Tissue, and Cell Engineering".

**Creating Excellence**

- Congratulations to LaTosha Lopez who was named Angie Balckum Employee of the Year