

MEETING MINUTES

January 12, 2026

We were super happy to host a record number of students to tour Mayo's Proton Beam Unit on January 12th. 75 total students from various high schools!

We immediately began the meeting with Dr. Laughlin's presentation on radiation oncology and its implication for pediatric brain tumors. We learned about his personal journey towards radiation oncology, and near the end, there was time for a Q&A session. There, we learned about the way some patients receive radiation in conjunction with chemotherapeutic drugs that enhance the impact of radiation therapy.

After the presentation, we began the co-chair announcements. We raised nearly \$60,000 from the mass mailing alone (much more than last year at this point!). We then took a quick second to thank the new sponsors: Team Sam Perkins, Brooks & Ruth Hilliard, First Impressions Landscape, Landon & Wes, Samara Rudolph, Hurley, and Adams & Fox. After reviewing the participating schools list, we ensured that the fliers and posters were taken by the students in attendance to post around their schools and public spaces. Great news! Our water bottle stickers arrived and were passed around at the meeting!

For the Cure-a-thon, registration is open. Brief reminder that there's a bundle deal for 10 students for \$100. Register as many as you can! Students (no bundle is \$20), \$35 (adults), \$20 (survivors). This is the perfect time to get silent auction items for

the Cure-a-thon as well! At the Cure, we are also able to host memory boards for people who have passed away from brain tumors for attendees to sign. If interested, please reach out to Dr. Kaye!

Applications for Co-Chair for the next school year are open now. Apply!

Our next meetings are the following:

- 1) Feb 16th: Live Brain Surgery at Barrow **ONLY** if pre-registered for the Cure
- 2) Feb 23rd: TGen Tour & Lecture
- 3) March 23rd: Wrap up Zoom
- 4) April 20th: Award Ceremony @ Barrow