McGovern Medical School at UTHealth Houston Faculty Senate

Thursday, April 18, 2024 l 4:30 pm

Meeting Minutes

Zoom Meeting

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:32pm with a quorum of members present.

1. Housekeeping

Attendance rules (attend a minimum of 60% of the monthly meetings).

It is important for dial-in attendees to email Valerie Guerrero with their call-in number so that each caller can be properly identified.

Please remain muted unless speaking and the chat will be monitored regularly for questions.

If you know you will have an absence, please contact Valerie Guerrero so it may be excused.

1. Approval of Minutes (March 2024)

There were no corrections to the minutes from the March 2024 meeting; the minutes were accepted to the final record as written.

1. Reports
2. Faculty Affairs Update – Nahid Rianon, MD, DrPH, Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs

* Currently having a record year this promotion season
  + There are about 133 applications
  + Those who have applied should hear by the end of May
  + There could be an update on promotion numbers at the Faculty Senate meeting in May
* Please reach out to Dr. Rianon with questions

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1. New Business
2. Curriculum Committee Annual Report – Dr. Philip Orlander, Curriculum Committee Chair

* LCME
  + Full accreditation
  + Sam Neher- currently Director of Accreditation
  + Search for a new Assistant Dean of Pre-Clerkship Curriculum- replacing Dr. Cleary who is retiring
    - Search committee is finalizing selection
* Progress reports due
  + Status report #1 submitted 4/23/2024
    - Includes policy format and structure
  + Status report #2 due by 8/1/2024 addresses the following:
    - Study/lounge/storage space and call rooms
    - Career advising
    - Financial aid
* Next Site visit 2027-2028
* Monitoring GQ and MASSS- McGovern Annual Student Satisfaction Survey
* Graduation and Match- recently completed and all students matched
* Subcommittees that report to LCME
  + Pre-clerkship Education, Clinical Education, Curriculum Review, CARQI, Learning Environment and Professionalism, as well as Student Updates
* CARQI subcommittee, chaired by Dr. Findley
  + Continuous Accreditation Review and Quality Improvement
  + LCME standards reviewed: mission, planning, organization, integrity, leadership, administration, faculty preparation, productivity, participation, policies, educational resources, curriculum management and enhancement, medical student health services, personal counseling, and financial aid services.
  + Examples of QI actions: participated in MMS Bylaw revision process to ensure LCME compliance; initiated process for regular review and reapproval of all educational policies; and added medical student members to CARQI subcommittee.
* Revised MMS Course Review Process
  + Annual short “dashboard” review of all courses with brief curriculum committee presentations
  + Comprehensive reviews every 3 years
    - Year 1: CFT courses
    - Year 2: Pre-clerkship course
    - Year 3: Clerkship courses
  + Corresponding phase review annually
  + Curriculum as a whole review every 3 years
* Engaging students through many means including: Townhalls (OEP/OASA), students on more committees, use of interactive pedagogies (TBLs), increased use of simulations and standardized patients, transition to clerkship and residency.
* I.C.A.R.E -Improving Care and Access and Realizing Equity
  + To understand and apply interprofessional collaborative team skills to address social determinants of health in underserved communities in the Rio Grande Valley and Houston areas
  + MS1 students work within professional teams, supervised by faculty members, to deliver basic health education through videoconference to individuals along the Texas-Mexico border
  + Seeing large involvement from McGovern Medical School, Cizik School of Nursing, School of Public Health, etc.
* Night on Call Simulation
  + A consortium of 10 schools- including NYU Grossman School of Medicine and Medical College of Wisconsin
  + A simulated “night on call” experience for near-graduating students to help them transition to residency
  + Done in February or March of Senior year
  + Moving out of a pilot stage and will be including all students
* On the horizon
  + Step 1 now pass/fail- how will it impact residency applications or change in curriculum
    - Considering shortening pre-clinical period
    - Impact on residency applications unknown
  + Artificial Intelligence longitudinal theme being added
  + Changes in selections of Dean’s teaching excellence award
  + Improving Teaching skills
    - Faculty Educators Development Committee
    - Clinician Educator Milestones- used for review of faculty in teaching skills

1. Memorial Hermann Epic Update – Dr. Nnaemeka Okafor, Vice President and Chief Analytics and Informatics Officer, Memorial Hermann Health System

* The countdown to EPIC transition is beginning.
  + Wave 1 EPIC in the ambulatory space- May 22
  + Wave 2 EPIC in the in-patient space- October 5
* Training and Registration Requirements
  + Wave 1- 3000+ students
  + Wave 2- 42,000+ students
* Currently in the “test-down window” until April 19th
  + Required to have above 80% on EPIC proficiency test (was initially 90%)
  + Should receive confirmation via email- if you do not, please reach out to [EpicTraining@MemorialHermann.org](mailto:EpicTraining@MemorialHermann.org)
* Virtual and On-site Epic Health Record Training options
  + Requirement for virtual learning is having 2 monitors- one for entering information and the other for the trainer
  + There are available proctored labs at every MHH facility
  + The only proctored lab open on Saturday is MH Memorial City
  + EPIC Access Requirements- Three mandatory components
  + Complete pre-class E-learning
  + Attend all instructor led training classes **or** pass the “test down” proficiency program with a score of >80%
  + User settings lab, which is used for EPIC personalization
  + Recruiting peer led trainers for EPIC workshops
  + There is a time commitment outlined, and you will be compensated for the time dedicated to peer education
  + As the weeks go by with entering these waves of EPIC on-boarding, will see an increase in tickets and lower energy that will complicate the troubleshooting process
  + Asking that faculty help maintain morale and engage in the process

1. COC Nominations Update – Dr. Georgene Hergenroeder, COC Chair, Faculty Senate Past Chair

* There are 5 nominees for Committee on Committees 2024-2027
  + Bibek Bista, MBBS, MPH
  + Simbo Chiadika, MD, MPH, FACC, CMQ
  + Dana DeMaster, PhD
  + Katie McBeth, MD, FAAP
  + Dean W. Smith, MD
* There will be an email generated with instructions on how to vote.

1. Announcements
2. MMS UTHealth Satellite Fitness Center grand opening held 4/15/24

[McGovern Medical School at UTHealth Houston satellite fitness center opens April 15 - Inside - Inside UTHealth Houston](https://inside.uth.edu/inside/story.htm?id=ff7eacc6-713d-4366-90d7-e14d2b1f7498&catinode=e6f0a34b-fc9d-4211-%20966a-9438e055d3fb)

4/24/24 is the deadline for faculty, staff, and residents to enroll on site at MMS for a paid monthly membership via EFT bank autodraft, effective 5/1/24.

1. The MMS Office of Professionalism named Asia Bright, PhD, Assistant Professor in the Louis A. Faillace, MD, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, and Director of the Office of Professionalism, as the winner of the John P. and Kathrine G. McGovern Distinguished Faculty Award in Professionalism Education.
2. AI Chat Solution, Microsoft Co-Pilot is available to UTHealth students, faculty, trainees, and staff. [Get to know Copilot – UTHealth Houston’s approved AI solution at McGovern Medical School](https://med.uth.edu/blog/2024/04/11/get-to-know-copilot-uthealth-houstons-approved-ai-solution/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Scoop_April-11-2024)
3. Adjournment at 5:22 pm

Next Meeting: May 16, 2024 at 4:30pm

Dr. Summer Ott- Chair

Dr. Erin Fox-Chair-Elect

Kathryn Leal, MS, CGC- Secretary

Dr. Matthew Baker-Secretary-Elect

Dr. Georgene Hergenroeder- Past Chair 2022-2023