

McGovern Medical School Faculty Senate Meeting
Thursday, February 20, 2020 | 4:30 pm
MSB 2.103 & LBJ UT Annex 217 Auditorium

1. Call to Order

2. Honored time for Dean Barbara Stoll and Dr. Kevin Morano

Dr. Moreno presented the following announcement:

Faculty life - Planning for retirement
Wednesday, February 26, 2020
MSB-2.006 from 12 – 1 PM

Bete Su Williams - Director, UTHealth Payroll and Benefits
Kevin Morano, PhD - Professor and Associate Vice President
UTHealth Faculty Affairs and Development

The session will be streamed and recorded.

3. Approval of Minutes from January 2020 meeting

Approved

4. Melissa S. Thompson, Ph.D.

- Associate Director, Office of Strategic Industry Initiatives (OSII)

What is the Office of Strategic Industry Initiatives?

Purpose:

- Increase research opportunities and translation to market through industry collaborations.
- To support initiatives that build and communicate our research portfolio and capabilities to collaborate with industry partners to advance our mission.

Pathways to fulfill mission

- Conduit to building industry relationships and championing faculty research
- Increase the number and magnitude of industry supported research projects:
 - Sponsored and/or collaborative research agreements
 - Alliances for seed grants
 - Clinical trials and clinical trial revenue
 - Consultative Agreements (as part of larger alliances)
 - Trainee sharing/internships

- Lower potential barriers to industry related projects
- Build connections across UTHealth to create novel value propositions

Areas of Interest:

- Drug Development and/or Therapies
- Devices
- Software/Apps
- Research Tools
- Consumer Products; Nutraceuticals
- Other...

Interactions can be mutually beneficial:

- Benefits for the University
 - Research and program funding
 - Equipment/facility donation
 - Commercial perspective in labs
 - Expanding faculty knowledge through consulting
 - Real world opportunity for students
 - Curriculum development
- Benefits for Industry
 - Industrial focused research that will positively impact market/patient care
 - Objective testing ground for new technology – particularly relevant to new or unique assets at University
 - Access to university resources
 - New technology licensing for commercial purposes
 - Support education of future workforce; employment of trained students

OSII Champions will help:

- Intensely engages with the objectives and goals of the project and plays a driving role in many of the research-engineering interactions, overcoming technical/organizational obstacles, and propelling the effort through to its final achievement
- Promotes ideas to firms and generates interest to obtain commitment and financial support, acting as a firefighter as needed
- Facilitates relationships and provide a basis for communication on other issues, hereby improving outcomes
- Persuades collaboration partners to adapt and redefine their working goals and plans over the course of a project as needs and environments change.

How to do it:

- Identify a potential partner:
 - How does your research fit within the company's product portfolio and/or business strategy?
 - Is the company interested in academic collaborations?

- Do we already have a relationship with the company?
- Start a conversation:
 - Find a contact (Scientist vs Business Development)
 - Share a non-confidential, concise pitch of the collaboration to start a conversation
- Keep the relationship alive:
 - Follow-up on questions and feedback
 - Engage internally to on-board projects

Remember Non-disclosure Agreements are tricky. Do not sign one without talking to someone in leadership at the university or the OSII. These agreements outline processes to share information while protecting it at the same time!

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5. Sacred Vocation Program, McGovern Center for Humanities & Ethics

- Ange Finn, BA Associate Faculty, Program Manager
- Sylvia Villarreal, MEd, MPH Adjunct Faculty
- Dr. Emma Omoruyi, Associate Professor, Community & General Pediatrics

Objectives of the Sacred Vocation Programs:

- Nurture the healer
- Provide an undisturbed and safe venue for reflection and discussion
- Focus on the non-medical aspects of healing
- Identify factors that can lead to frustration and burnout
- Refresh and renew participants' commitment to the profession of medicine

Sessions include:

- See the practice of medicine as a sacred vocation
- Recognize the power to be healers of body, mind and spirit
- Acknowledge the potential to do harm
- Recognize barriers to work as sacred vocation and develop strategies to address these challenges
- Renew their commitment to medicine in a group-generated statement of the principles by which they choose to practice medicine.

Impact:

- Overall positive impact on residents on such ideas/topics of:
 - Priorities about what is important in life
 - Appreciating each day
 - Appreciation for the the value of own life
 - Having compassion for others
 - Accepting needing others
 - Having a sense of closeness with others

For an in-depth presentation on the Sacred Vocation Program, either informal or as formal grand rounds, please contact

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6. Announcements:

- a. Dr. Tiffany Champagne-Langabeer, Assistant Professor, UTHealth School of Biomedical Informatics (SBMI)

SBMI is the only freestanding school and largest in the nation.

How can we work together?

- Pioneering telemedicine in the ED, prehospital environment, and rural environment (HEROES)
- Extensive expertise in electronic health records
- Exploring relationships between genomics and clinical care
- Artificial intelligence & deep learning to detect biomarkers for Parkinson's, psychiatric disorders, and imaging
- Social media, application development, visualization tools
- Cancer genomics
- Quality and safety, CMS expertise
- Policy related to technology

- b. Martin Citardi, MD, Professor and Chair, Otorhinolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery and Vice Dean for Clinical Technology and Babatope (Tope) Fatuyi, MD, MPH, Chief Medical Information Officer, **Transition to EPIC-EMR monthly update**

For ongoing updates please visit UTH.edu/uthealthconnect

Workflow Walk (WFWT) through scheduled on March 24 - 26, 2020

- In Person Sessions
- System demo in Epic applications
- Learn more about UTHealth operations

- Share best practices
- Confirm initial pre-work

- Attendees: Subject Matter Experts (SMEs), workgroup members, chairs, specialist trainers, organizational leaders.
- For interested parties for more involvement, please contact your chairs.

- WFWT Detailed session information:
 - Notes Session: during this session, we will review the Key Org Scoping decision made for notes/dictation/transcription, provide an overview of the notes implementation process, show a demo of note workflows in the system, review required core content for notes in Epic and get feedback, and demo/review notes-specific user/personalization settings
 - Interface Sessions: during these sessions, attendees will give specific feedback to the interfaces team regarding which elements they would like to be scoped into the interface, taking into account current state and desired future state.

Actual Training of End-Users Scheduled for March - May 2021

- Provider Specific Training Model
 - Specialist Training Specialist (~30 physicians that will develop the training and teach an overview of the EPIC system)
 - Power Provider (Super users of the provider community. Plays a larger role in the operational readiness activities, training and communication)
 - Personalization Labs (1:1 training to personalize notes templates, smart phrases, smart links and preferences)

EPIC Definitions that you will see in the near future:

- MyChart: MyChart is Epic's patient portal
- Healthy Planet: Healthy Planet is Epic's population health functionality
- Care Everywhere: Care Everywhere is Epic's application that provides access at the point of care to the patient's medical records from other organizations
- EpicCare Link: is Epic's web application that allows an approved, designated subset providers at an affiliate organization to view a patient's clinical data from your Epic system using the Internet. Providers are also able to send limited documentation, including Referrals, to UTHealth using this tool. With an approved NDA, this can also be extended to 3rd party billers, where necessary.

7. Adjournment: 5:33 PM

Next meeting: March 19, 2020