MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:
- Adam Adler, M.D., Assistant Professor, Orthopaedic Surgery & Rehabilitation
- Olufemi Aduroja, M.D., M.P.H., Assistant Professor, Internal Medicine – Transmountain
- Mary Josephine Amaro Espanza, D.O., Assistant Professor, Family Medicine – Transmountain
- Daniel Bustamante, M.D., Assistant Professor, Pathology
- Jose Castro-Garcia, M.D., Assistant Professor, Surgery
- Jorge Cervantes-Gonzalez, M.D., Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Medical Education
- Abhizith Deoker, M.D., Assistant Professor, Internal Medicine
- Alok Dwivedi, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Molecular and Translational Medicine
- Jose Gavito-Higuera, M.D., Associate Professor, Radiology
- Wayde Miller, M.D., Assistant Professor, Anesthesiology
- Stormy Monks, Ph.D., M.P.H., Associate Professor, Emergency Medicine, President-Elect
- Steven Radtke, M.D., Assistant Professor, Obstetrics and Gynecology
- Anantha Vellipuram, M.D., Assistant Professor, Neurology, President
- KoKo Aung, M.D., M.P.H., Vice President for Faculty Success, TTUHSC El Paso, Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs, PLFSOM, Ex-Officio, Non-Voting
- Richard Lange, M.D., M.B.A., President, TTUHSC El Paso, Dean, PLFSOM, Ex-Officio, Non-Voting

MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE:
- Lisa Ayoub-Rodriguez, M.D., Assistant Professor, Pediatrics, Immediate Past-President
- Fabrizio Delgado-Ramos, M.D., Assistant Professor, Psychiatry
- Gerardo Vazquez, M.D., Assistant Professor, Family and Community Medicine

GUESTS:
- Blake Busey, D.O., Assistant Professor, Family Medicine – Transmountain
- Jessica Chacon, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Medical Education
- Deborah Clegg, Ph.D., Professor, Internal Medicine
- Leslie Cortes, M.D., Assistant Professor, Pediatrics
- Diego De La Mora, M.D., Assistant Professor, Internal Medicine
- Pallavi Dubey, Ph.D., Research Instructor, Obstetrics and Gynecology
- Anna Eiring, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Molecular & Translational Medicine
- Rona Fagan, R.N., Faculty Associate, Orthopaedic Surgery & Rehabilitation
- David Fallah, D.D.S., Associate Professor, Surgery
- Bharathi Gadad, Ph.D., Research Assistant Professor, Psychiatry
- Lakshman Gangwani, Ph.D., Professor, Molecular & Translational Medicine
- Lynn Hernan, M.D., Associate Professor, Pediatrics
- Sanja Kupesic, M.D., Ph.D., Professor, Obstetrics and Gynecology
- Jonathan Lavezo, M.D., Assistant Professor, Pathology
- Jennifer Molokwu, M.D., M.P.H., Associate Professor, Family & Community Medicine
- Debabrata Mukherjee, M.D., Chair, Internal Medicine
- Zuber Mulla, Ph.D., M.S.P.H., Professor, Obstetrics and Gynecology
- Michael Parsa, M.D., Associate Professor, Emergency Medicine
- Cynthia Perry, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Medical Education
- Dale Quest, Ph.D., Professor, Medical Education
- Irene Sarosiek, M.D., Professor, Internal Medicine
- Ramadevi Subramani Reddy, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Molecular & Translational Medicine
- Silvina Tonarelli, M.D., Associate Professor, Psychiatry
- Sarah Walker, M.D., Assistant Professor, Surgery
- Miranda Alvarez, M.A., Associate Director, Office of Faculty Affairs
- Michelle Brown, Analyst II, Office of Faculty Affairs
- Cindy Camarillo, Sr. Director, Office of Faculty Affairs and Recruitment
I. CALL TO ORDER
Anantha Vellipuram, M.D.  
PLFSOM Faculty Council President

Dr. Anantha Vellipuram, PLFSOM Faculty Council President, called the November 15, 2021 meeting to order at 12:02 P.M.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Anantha Vellipuram, M.D.  
PLFSOM Faculty Council President

Quorum was met and the Faculty Council meeting minutes from October 18, 2021 were voted on and approved.

III. DEAN’S REPORT
Richard Lange, M.D., M.B.A.  
Dean, PLFSOM

Dr. Lange provided a brief update:

A. Council on Diversity and Inclusion
   o The Council on Diversity and Inclusion surveyed faculty and students over the last year for any issues needing to be addressed at the institutional level and for the PLFSOM. The most important issue being addressed is the social justice curriculum, to make sure that issues regarding social justice are represented in the curriculum at all four schools. It will circulate through the curriculum committee and be institutionalized for each of the schools. The council has also been working to improve the incident reporting system for individuals who felt they had been discriminated against or did not feel they had been included or treated correctly and were uncertain where to report it. We appreciate the committee’s efforts to make sure that we are a diverse and inclusive university and maintain the core values of integrity and respect.

B. AAMC Medical School Graduation Questionnaire (GQ)
   o Results of the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) Medical School Graduation Questionnaire (GQ) for fourth year students is available and will be reviewed with department chairs. This survey will be helpful for program evaluation and improvements in regards to education, learning environment, and treatment.

C. AAMC StandPoint Faculty Engagement Survey Update
   o The AAMC StandPoint Faculty Engagement survey was headed by the Office of Faculty Affairs and saw a final response rate of 83% for the PLFSOM. This is a strong indication that the results are valid and representative of the majority of the faculty. The survey will help identify the university’s strengths as well as areas for improvement. General results have been shared with deans of schools and department chairs and will soon be shared with individual departments and the entire institution. General results will be posted on the website in the near future. Dr. Lange thanked faculty members for their participation.

D. COVID-19 Update
   o The number of individuals infected with COVID-19 is on the rise around the world, as well as in El Paso. There are more individuals hospitalized in El Paso compared to the previous 6-8 months. A fourth of the patients who have been hospitalized at UMC have been fully vaccinated. Many
Dean’s Report Continued...

locals were vaccinated and booster shots were recently administered to local children. There is a concern that fatigue is setting in with regards to proper handwashing and social distancing. Please continue to protect one another by wearing masks, washing hands, and social distancing.

### IV. FACULTY AFFAIRS UPDATE

**KoKo Aung, M.D., M.P.H.**  
Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs, PLFSOM

Dr. Aung provided a brief update:

#### A. AAMC Standpoint Faculty Engagement Survey Update

- As Dr. Lange mentioned in his report, the general results from the AAMC StandPoint Faculty Engagement Survey were shared with school deans and department chairs. Department specific data will soon be shared with each department chair. An overview of the results will also be shared at a future Faculty Council meeting and presented at the upcoming PLFSOM General Faculty meeting.

#### B. 2021-2022 Midpoint Review

- The 2021-2022 Midpoint Review cycle will open soon. Midpoint review is mandatory for tenure track faculty and highly encouraged for non-tenure track faculty. Targeted invitations will be sent to faculty members who are at the midpoint (3.5 years) at their current rank. The next Midpoint review workshop will be held on Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at noon. Registration is available via the link in the email announcement distributed to all faculty members.

### V. DEPARTMENT REPORT

**Steven Radtke, M.D.**  
Representative, Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology

Dr. Radtke provided an update from the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology:

*Please see attached report*

Dr. Vellipuram congratulated the department and the department chair for recruiting about seven new faculty despite the current COVID-19 pandemic, and for being proactive from a research standpoint with nearly more than 45 publications.

#### Q&A

**Q:** Is the department planning on future fellowships?

**A:** I am currently working on starting the fellowship for minimally invasive surgery. This is one of the projects for the upcoming academic cycle.
VI. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

Michael Parsa, M.D.
Chair, Committee on Student Grading and Promotion

Dr. Parsa provided an update from the Committee on Student Grading and Promotion:

*Please see attached report

Q&A

Q: For students who come to your committee, especially with severe behavioral problems or academic struggles, is feedback given to admissions to see if there were red flags that were missed?
A: No, we are not in a circle of providing feedback since the committee is the end user. Student Affairs or Medical Education provides the information to this committee. Student Affairs or Medical Education would hopefully conduct some sort of data analysis to provide to Admissions to help with admitting students who will succeed in the curriculum.

Q: Did you see any behavioral issues change with the COVID-19 pandemic?
A: Yes, resiliency has always been a challenge for certain students but even more so during COVID-19. The isolationism has led to more academic as well as behavioral issues. The committee refers students, when appropriate, to the Physician Student Wellbeing Committee. This is part of the recommendations when someone seems to be having a wellness issue that should be addressed. Student Affairs meets with the students beforehand and has usually already referred these students.

Dr. Vellipuram noted that the school should help boost the confidence of students. If students are stressed out, they may not make the right judgement which could be reflected in faculty evaluations. These issues should be addressed at the beginning to prevent them from spiraling out.

Dr. Parsa agreed that the school understands the importance of this issue and is trying to do this on various fronts with Student Affairs taking the lead.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Anantha Vellipuram, M.D.
PLFSOM Faculty Council President

Dr. Vellipuram provided an update:

A. Nominations for Sponsored Seats for El Paso County Medical Society (EPCMS) (2 seats)
New Business Continued...

- The PLFSOM Faculty Council is soliciting nominations to fill two (2) sponsored seats for the El Paso County Medical Society (EPCMS). The two representatives will be required to attend the monthly EPCMS meetings and provide a report at the PLFSOM Faculty Council Meeting each month.
- Any voting PLFSOM faculty member may be nominated. Nominations are not limited to PLFSOM Faculty Council Representatives.
- Please submit nominations to the Office of Faculty Affairs by November 30, 2021.

B. Re-Elected Faculty Council Representative:

- Congratulations to Dr. Alok Dwivedi, Associate Professor who has been reappointed as the representative for the Department of Molecular and Translational Medicine.

C. Nominations for Committee on Student Affairs (2 seats)

- The PLFSOM Faculty Council is soliciting nominations to fill two (2) seats on the Committee on Student Affairs.
- The committee is charged with deliberating on matters related to student morale and the learning environment, serving in an advisory capacity to the Dean regarding concerns and recommendation to better support students, and to review relevant policies on a biannual schedule. Details including eligibility, terms of service, charge, and nomination procedure were distributed to all faculty members via email.
- Please submit nominations to the Office of Faculty Affairs by November 30, 2021.

D. Faculty Issues with EMR

- Dr. De La Mora presented a report concerning faculty issues with the EMR.

*Please see attached report

Dr. Vellipuram thanked Dr. De La Mora for his presentation and suggested the development of an action plan to address issues, possibly to include putting together a small work group.

Dr. De La Mora noted that he shares the concerns of the faculty and is available to answer any questions that were not addressed in the presentation. He also noted that developing standard processes might help alleviate a few of the issues encountered.
VIII. OLD BUSINESS

Anantha Vellipuram, M.D.
PLFSOM Faculty Council President

Dr. Vellipuram provided an update on the following items:

A. PLFSOM Standing Committee Nominations Updates
   o Committee on Medical School Admissions
     ▪ The PLFSOM Faculty Council previously solicited nominations to fill two (2) vacant seats on the Committee on Medical School Admissions. One nomination was received -- Dr. Harvey Greenberg, M.D., Associate Professor of Clinical in the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology. The Faculty Council voted to forward the nomination for Dr. Greenberg to the Dean for consideration.
     ▪ The committee still needs to fill the single remaining vacancy as well as a new vacancy, thus the PLFSOM Faculty Council is soliciting nominations for two (2) vacant seats. These seats were previously held by Dr. Jo Rao, Pediatrics, and Dr. Karinn Chambers, Surgery.
   o Curriculum and Educational Policy Committee (CEPC)
     ▪ The PLFSOM Faculty Council previously solicited nominations to fill one (1) vacant seat on the CEPC. Three nominations were received:
       o Zainab Al Lawati, M.D., Assistant Professor, Surgery
       o Dale Quest, Ph.D., Professor, Medical Education
       o Munmun Chattopadhyay, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Molecular and Translational Medicine
     ▪ The Faculty Council voted to forward these nominees to the Dean for consideration.
     ▪ The committee is seeking to fill another single basic science faculty seat, thus the PLFSOM Faculty Council is now soliciting nominations for one (1) basic science vacant seat.
   o Details for the above vacancies including eligibility, terms of service, charge, and nomination procedure were distributed to all faculty members via email. Please submit nominations for both committees to the Office of Faculty Affairs by November 30, 2021.

IX. EL PASO COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY UPDATE

Sarah Walker, M.D.
EPCMS – PLFSOM Representative

Dr. Walker reported on the El Paso County Medical Society (EPCMS):

*Please see attached report
EPCMS Update Continued...

- Faulty are invited to attend the *Physician Landscape in the Peripandemic Period* virtual event, presented by Dr. Joel Hendryx, tomorrow, November 16, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. (CME credit).
- Registration is available online at: [https://borderracepcmsphysicianlandscape.eventbrite.com](https://borderracepcmsphysicianlandscape.eventbrite.com).

### X. FACULTY COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Anantha Vellipuram, M.D.  
PLFSOM Faculty Council President

Dr. Vellipuram announced the following:

**A. December Faculty Council Meeting: 12/13/2021**

- Due to the upcoming holidays, the December Faculty Council meeting originally scheduled for December 20, 2021 has been rescheduled to December 13, 2021 from 12 – 1 PM.

**B. Save the Date: PLFSOM General Faculty Meeting 1/24/2022**

- Please save the date for the upcoming PLFSOM General Faculty Council meeting scheduled for January 24, 2022 from 12-1 PM. An email will be distributed to faculty with meeting & registration details.

**C. TTUHSC El Paso Faculty Senate Standing Committee Nominations**

- The Faculty Senate is soliciting nominations for medical school representatives for the committees listed below. An email was sent out to all faculty with details. Interested PLFSOM faculty members should submit nominations to facultysenatelp@ttuhsc.edu by November 16, 2021.
  - Diversity and Inclusion Committee (1 PLFSOM Faculty Seat)
  - Research Resources Committee (1 PLFSOM Faculty Seat)
  - University Affairs Committee (1 PLFSOM Faculty Seat)

### XI. ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

Anantha Vellipuram, M.D.  
PLFSOM Faculty Council President

N/A

### XII. ADJOURNMENT

Anantha Vellipuram, M.D.  
PLFSOM Faculty Council President

Dr. Vellipuram adjourned the meeting at 1:08 P.M.
Department Report

PRESENTATION TO THE FACULTY COUNCIL

BY: STEVEN RADTKE MD FACOG FMIGS
DATE: 11/15/2021

Department Breakdown

Please provide the total number of faculty members in your department and break down this number by rank. Please list new faculty members that have joined your department within the last six months.

- **Total Number of Faculty:**
  - Number of Faculty Associates: 1
  - Number of Instructors: 3
  - Number of Assistant Professors: 11 (3 are applying for promotion this cycle)
  - Number of Associate Professors: 4
  - Number of Professors: 3
New Faculty

- James E. Sumners MD, FAAP, FACOG (MFM specialist)
- Eugene P. Toy, MD (Gynecology Oncology)
- Stephanie Mishaw MD (Generalist)
- Sarah Boyd MD (Generalist)
- Suzanne Lababidi MD (Generalist)
- Pallavi Dubey PhD (Laboratory/Research)
- Irene Moridi MD (Generalist- pending credentialing)

Leadership

Please provide a list of faculty who are in leadership positions in your department, i.e.: chair, vice chair, program director, clerkship director, chiefs, etc.

Dr. Sireesha Reddy (Chair)

Dr. Eugene Toy (Vice-Chair)

Director Division of Gynecology Oncology
Dr. Eugene Toy

Chief Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery
Dr. Steven Radtke

Maternal Medical Director (UMC)
Dr. Carla Martinez

Clinic Medical Director
Dr. Sarah Boyd

Residency Program Director
Dr. Ignacio Montoya

Director of Simulation
Dr. Steven Radtke

Residency Program Director
TM
Dr. Anaja Nair

Clerkship Director
Dr. Patricia Rojas

4th year Clerkship Director
Dr. Mary Ann Son
Accomplishments

Please list the accomplishments of faculty members in your department including: awards, honors, regional appointments, national appointments, etc.

► National Appointments
  ► Editor for “Pearls of eXXcelence” – Dr. Reddy
  ► Leadership Committee AAGL Young Alumni Network - Dr. Radtke

► Regional Appointments
  ► Regional Obstetric Committee Board- Dr. Reddy/Dr. Martinez
  ► Obstetric Committee for Texas- Dr. Reddy
Scholarly Activity Period 2020-2021

Please provide a summary of department scholarly activity to include: presentations, invited talks, publications, book chapters, and abstracted produced by faculty or residents in the last year.

- Peer reviewed articles – 48
- Oral presentations at National/Regional Meetings - 8
- Poster presentations at National/Regional Meetings - 46
- Funded grants: 7
- Established Laboratory infrastructure (Dr. Dubey)

Residency Program

Please provide information regarding your department’s residency program, i.e.: recent accreditation, number of residents, and program updates. (If applicable)

- Complement of 5 residents per PGY (Total residents - 20)
- Last accreditation decision by ACGME on 2/10/2021
  - Continued accreditation. Reassessment after one year.
- Current cycle: Received 470 applications for 5 positions (In the process of interviewing)
- Current updates: Working to secure alternate sites outside of TX for residents to obtain family planning/abortion training (SB8)
Issues/Concerns

Please list and explain the issues and/or concerns that are specific to your department.

- Credentialing process for new faculty
- Transition to centralized billing

Questions?
Committee on Student Grading and Promotion

Presented by: Michael D. Parsa, M.D., FAAEM, FACEP
Chair, Committee on Student Grading & Promotion
November 15, 2021

Committee Composition and Terms of Service

▶ Eight Faculty Members - Voting Members (5 members needed for quorum)
  ▶ Five Clinical faculty - Serving 3-5 year terms
    ▶ 3 Associate Professors
    ▶ 2 Assistant Professors
  ▶ Three Medical Education faculty - Serving 3-5 year terms
    ▶ 2 Associate Professor
    ▶ 1 Assistant Professor
▶ Five Ex-Officio - Non-Voting Members
  ▶ 2 Office of Student Affairs
  ▶ 1 Office of Student Services
  ▶ 2 Office of Medical Education

Two new voting members added in 2021 to fill vacancies
Committee Charge

The GPC is a committee of the faculty appointed by the Dean with recommendations by the Faculty Council and is charged with the responsibility to review and evaluate the academic and behavioral progress of each medical student enrolled at the TTUHSC El Paso Paul L. Foster School of Medicine. It is not a policy making body but rather applies the policies that are approved through the Curriculum Education Policy Committee and the Faculty Council.

Actions taken since last report - Confidential

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Totals for months of June - May of designated years
* Totals for months of current year of June - October 2021

### Upcoming actions

- We will continue to meet on a monthly basis or as needed.
Q&A
Outline

- Define the problem (Pathology)
- Threats and Opportunities (Prognosis)
- Request for Information process and results (Recommended treatment)
- Ongoing considerations (Side effects)
Definition of the problem (Pathology)

- Very low EMR satisfaction among providers
  - Evidenced by KLAS survey data
- Salient EMR problems are intrinsic to the software
  - Personal and Group Interviews
  - Results of commentary analysis
- Two different EMR systems
- Poor interoperability with major partners
- Expensive

Current cost of maintenance

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Table 1: Cost estimates of current major health IT solutions that could potentially be replaced. Most data comes from encumbrances closed on 5/1/2018. *The estimated cost of GE Electronic Prescription of Controlled Substances is based on a quote for future services. The 5 and 10-year cost estimate is based on a simple multiplication of the annual cost. No hardware expenses were added to these estimates.
Possible threats (Prognosis)

- GE Centricity was acquired by Veritas, which later also acquired Athenahealth
  - Very likely that GE Centricity EMR will no longer be serviced
  - There are no current Cbiz-Athenahealth integrations
- Interoperability continues to be highly dependent on our partners
  - Going to Cerner does not guarantee good interoperability
- Epic EMR systems are now offering stand-alone Ambulatory EMR solutions
- Consolidating Health IT solutions can help save capital and operational expenses
RFI Process and Results (Recommended Treatment)

- RFI was submitted through Purchasing
  - Total of 17 desired characteristics to evaluate
- Seven vendors submitted written proposals
  - Top 3 were invited for on-site demonstrations
- Epic Ambulatory EMR scored higher than Athenahealth and Cerner in essentially every category
  - Highest market-share and Industry awards
  - Highest value on research
  - Highest functionality
  - Most integrated solution
  - EMR-as-a-service (?)

Ongoing considerations (side effects)

- Cost over 10-years

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*Percent of collections. Athenahealth was not made aware of our net collections, therefore their estimate is very preliminary
Ongoing considerations (side effects)

- Ambulatory EMR systems continue to be different from Inpatient EMR
  - Training
- Interoperability with our community partners will continue to depend on our them joining CommonWell/CareQuality or creating direct interfaces
- EpicCare Link, Epic Everywhere, Carequality, and Commonwell interfaces on Epic offer a more robust list of options for interoperability with smaller community partners
- EMR-as-a-service: Provided that Stark laws are carefully followed, this may serve as a new business line to increase ROI

Acknowledgements

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- Nicole Ruiz
- Dr Apeter Catinella
- Dr Ogechika Alozie
- All the members of the EMR Review and Recommendation Group
EL PASO COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY UPDATE

Sarah Walker, M.D.
EPCMS – PLFSOM Representative

EPCMS Report
Sarah Walker, M.D.
Physician Landscape In the Peripandemic Period

• A Free Online Educational Opportunity jointly provided by the El Paso County Medical Society and BorderRAC.
• Presenter: Dr. Joel Hendryx
• Panelists: Dr. Gutarra and Dr. Azarcon
• Moderator: Dr. Richard McCallum
• Date: November 16, 2021 Time: 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm (MST) Virtual

• Registration Link https://borderracepcmsphysicianlandscape.eventbrite.com