

SUNY STONY BROOK SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

FACULTY SENATE MEETING

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2001, 4PM

- I.
- II. Introductions
 - A. Dr. Irving Krukenkamp, President of the Faculty Senate
 - B. Dr. James Weisberg, Secretary of the Faculty Senate
- III. Outgoing President of Faculty Senate
 - A. Dr. Krukenkamp expressed gratitude to Dr. Margaret Parker, the outgoing President of the Faculty Senate, and noted her numerous accomplishments throughout the two terms she completed during “challenging times.”
- IV. Code of Ethics
 - A. Dr. Krukenkamp informed the Senate that the Code of Ethics drafted by Dr. Arnold Katz (Chair of Ethics Subcommittee) was completed and undergoing final review by the Legal Affairs Department.
 - B. Medical student, Dan Weisser, reported that typically half of each year’s class elects to write and “live by” an honor code.
 - C. *History:* One year ago the Executive Committee and the Faculty Senate raised the idea of preparing a Code of Ethics that would be applicable to all employees, staff, faculty and students of the Health Sciences Center/University Hospital and that if students were writing a Code of Ethics it would be appropriate for the faculty to also have one in place.
 - D. *Rationale:* The Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center Code of Ethics was used as a basis for the draft and the Deans of all five schools of the Health Science Center were in favor of, and approved, the draft. Additional justification for the draft comes from ACGME and the Residency Review Committee. An emphasis on professionalism and the financial support from the ACGME is crucial to the institution. Additional justification for the draft was JCAHO and LCME recommendations and requirements.
 - E. *Enforcement:* It was clarified that the proposed draft will not supercede any current compliance documents and that mechanisms already exist within the unions and institution to hear and make dispositions on ethical infractions.

Dr. Krukenkamp noted that the draft includes both a Statement of Principles of Behavior as well as how and where to go to resolve any ethical violations. It was made clear that this was an advisory document to supplement other documents in place. He also noted that once the Legal Affairs Department has made their final changes, the draft will be submitted to all Senators for review and will be discussed at a subsequent faculty senate meeting.
- V. Conclusion
 - A. There was no new business to discuss and the meeting was adjourned at 5:00PM, to be followed by Dean Edelman’s Annual Faculty Meeting.