

**The MEETING:** FACULTY SENATE

**DATE:** January 22, 2008

**CHAIR:** Dr. R. Steigbigel

**SECRETARY:** Dr. L. Fochtmann

**ATTENDEES:** Drs. Roy Steigbigel, Laura Fochtmann, Richard Fine, Brigitte Demes, Nathan Kley, Sanford Simon, Kenneth Marcu, Nicholas Carpino, Wei-Xing Zong, Eric Spitzer, Ken-Ichi Takemaru, Paul Fisher, Daryn Saunders, Marcia Tonnesen, Lester Kallus, Scott Johnson, Stanley Zucker, Ed Nord, Edwin Oberstein, Margaret McNurlan, Howard Adler, Yefin Sheynkin, Rebecca Spiegel, Richard Bronson, Ivy Boydston, Manoi Biniwale, Salma Syed, Iris Granek, Roman Kotov, Andrew Francis, Joseph Blader, Harris Cohen, Marlene, Zawin, Walter Backus, Sidonie Morrison, David Krause, Maureen O’Leary, Joav Prives, Orlando Scharer, Carlos de los Santos, Irene Solomon, Leon Moore, Wenlang Xia, Lauri Budnick, Robert Honkanen, Catherine Kier, Roman Kotov, Thomas Bilfinger, Thomas Lee, Kathy Southerton (guest)

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
<b>Minutes of last meeting</b>	Minutes of November 19 <sup>th</sup> meeting were distributed and discussed.	Minutes were approved.
<b>Smoking Policy Dr. Fine and Liz McCoy, CHRO</b>	<p>Dr. Fine indicated that we are in the process of developing a Medical Center smoking policy. Although the policy has not yet been adopted it was felt that it was very important to present it to the faculty and get their input.</p> <p>Liz McCoy, SBUH’s Chief HR Officer continued the discussion with a review of the current smoking policy and indicated that she was part of a larger group looking at the smoking policy in the SOM, Hospital and the physical environment on the East campus. Consistent with our mission to provide quality healthcare, she noted that there is serious consideration of moving toward a smoke free environment relatively soon. Ms. McCoy made herself available to speak to anyone having concerns regarding this policy.</p>	Informational

<p><b>Smoking Policy</b> <b>Dr. Fine and Liz McCoy,</b> <b>CHRO (continued)</b></p>	<p>Dr. Fine added that there are some patient populations for whom specific accommodations need to be made. Once the final document is developed it will be presented and further discussion and opinions will be sought.</p>	
<p><b>Dr. Steigbigel</b></p>	<p>Dr. Steigbigel informed the Senate that both Dr. Fine and Dr. Strongwater have expressed to him their desire to have good communication with the faculty through the Senate. They have asked to have a Q&amp;A period at all Senate meetings. This will be discussed at the next Executive Committee meeting.</p> <p>Proposal to remove the social security number from the APT form was made, voted on and approved.</p> <p>Dr. Steigbigel asked members to look at the proposed change in the By-laws. This is intended to allow the Senate to be more active by streamlining the ability to pass resolutions.</p>	<p>Informational</p> <p>The senate unanimously approved the removal of the Social Security Number from the APT form.</p>
<p><b>IT Overview</b> <b>Linda Shanley, CIO</b></p>	<p>Ms. Shanley, SBUH's new Chief Information Officer gave an overview of the status of information technology initiatives, such as infrastructure, Vocera communications, secure portals, single sign-on and electronic medical records. Plans for infrastructure improvements include installing additional (redundant) connections to the internet, enhancing cell phone coverage throughout the hospital and HSC (including on lower levels of the building), enhancing wireless infrastructure and RFID capability, developing secure portals for communication among health professionals and between patients and physicians and installing single signon software to facilitate access to clinical software. The single sign-on application can also be used for other password protected resources such as library access or Lotus Notes. She urged anyone having an interest in additional single sign on application links to send her a list of their specific needs.</p>	<p>Informational</p>

**Electronic Patient Record**  
**Dr. Richard Barnett,**  
**CMIO**

Dr. Richard Barnett, CMIO discussed the STARS project in detail, including organizational changes (which were an outgrowth of a consulting group’s recommendations), work group structures, processes for handling new applications and enhancement requests and plans for implementing new features and applications over the next several years. Features designed to improve clinical safety and productivity include the ability to receive laboratory results from Quest Labs; the ability to track surgical cases using Surginet, and multiple advantages of the Cerner Orders application. Discharge instruction documentation and medication process improvements are planned in the near future. He highlighted that the EPR is a central part of our becoming a High Reliability Organization and that the CEO strongly supports this project.

A request was made to receive a copy of the organizational structure of the IT program. In addition, an invitation was extended to the CIO to present to the Senate periodically which Ms. Shanley accepted.

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<p><b>Recycling Program</b> <b>Gil Hanson and</b> <b>Maureen O’Leary</b></p>	<p>Professor Gil Hanson began his presentation by indicating that he represented the Campus Environment Committee. He discussed in detail the wide range of areas related to the environment that the committee has been charged with including conservation of natural areas, transportation and parking issues, infrastructure, facilities planning, human health issues, security, energy efficiency, recycling and waste management. This committee will consult and advise the VP of Facility Services. The three main items the committee is engaged in for this year are: the smoking policy, formation of a Parking and Transportation committee and the question “Why should SBU take a regional environmental leadership role?” Guiding principles have been proposed, accepted and voted on by the University Senate last December. Stony Brook University has committed to make decisions in collaboration with impacted entities rather than unilaterally. To earnestly work to solve its own local problems using solutions and partnerships that extend beyond its campus borders and to Identify environmental problems in the community and take a lead in solving them. Faculty and students are encouraged to become involved in facilitating positive changes.</p>	<p>A proposal was made to establish a committee of the School of Medicine Faculty Senate to work with the Campus Environment Committee. This will be discussed further at the next meeting of the Executive Committee.</p>
<p><b>Grateful Patient Program</b></p> <p><b>By-Law change for quorum</b></p> <p><b>New Business</b></p>	<p>Due to scheduling constraints, Carrie Bhada was unable to present on the Grateful Patient Program</p> <p>The By-Law change for quorum was opened up for discussion. It needs to be discussed at two meeting before being passed.</p> <p>Janitorial services in the BST were noted to be extremely problematic. Additional followup will be pursued prior to the next meeting.</p>	<p>Deferred to a future meeting.</p> <p>Proposed By-Laws Change will be presented for its second reading and vote at the next scheduled Senate meeting.</p> <p>To be discussed further at next meeting.</p>