

**Business Meeting of the Pharmacy Ethics Special Interest Group (SIG)**  
**American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy**  
**July 21, 2008**  
**Chicago, IL**

Present: Pam Heaton (Cincinnati), Mary Euler (UMKC), Diane Ginsburg (Texas), Kem Kruger (Wyoming), Matthew Lacroix (St. John's), Jeanine Mount (Wisconsin), Harshal Pandya (Auburn-student), Tim Stratton (Minnesota)

1. The meeting was convened by Chair Stratton.
2. Attendees introduced themselves.
3. Pharmacy Ethics SIG program from the morning of July 20 was discussed. The session was moderated by Pam Heaton (Cincinnati) with additional presentations:
  - a. Donna Beall (Montana) described the compulsory Ethics course she teaches
  - b. Mary Euler (UMKC) described her course
  - c. Catherine Jarvis (Colorado) described CU's interprofessional ethics course (involving almost 500 Health Professions students)

Presenter slides are available on the AACP website.

Over 90 people attended the session, Question Period had to be cut off at the end of the time allotted for the session, and each panelist had several questioners remain after the session.

Presenters and audience members who attended the session all thought that the session had gone very well.

4. **ACTION:** Kem Kruger (Wyoming) was elected by acclamation to serve as Chair-elect for the coming year.
5. There was no old business to discuss.
6. New business
  - a. Possible content areas for future Pharmacy Ethics SIG programming:
    - o The nexus between pharmacy law and ethics
    - o Ethics "teachable moments" throughout the curriculum
  - b. Teachers' Seminar: The possibility of offering an Ethics Track as part of the Teacher's Seminar was discussed (once again). Topics would include Teaching Tactics and Student Assessment. **UPDATE:** This topic was brought up at the inaugural meeting of the AACP SIG Cabinet on Tuesday, July 22 by Pharmacy Ethics SIG Immediate Past Chair Robert Buerki (Ohio State), and there appeared to be support for such an offering.  
**ACTION:** Pam Heaton and Tim Stratton will pursue this idea further with AACP staff during the coming academic year.

c. The possibility of posting a “Ethics Case of the Month” on the Pharmacy Ethics SIG listserv was discussed.

ACTION: Pam Heaton and Tim Stratton will pursue this idea further during the coming academic year.

d. The possibility of forming a Pharmacy Ethics Learning Community was discussed.

ACTION: Pam Heaton and Tim Stratton will explore this opportunity further with AACCP staff.

e. Tim Stratton had been contacted by Mr. David Cella from Jones & Bartlett publishers regarding the need for a new Pharmacy Ethics textbook. Dr. Stratton floated an idea for a Pharmacy Ethics casebook targeting pharmacy faculty who found themselves teaching ethics, but who had little or no previous formal introduction to ethics. He also suggested that a similar text focusing on Interprofessional Ethics might be useful. Pam Heaton pointed out that Amy Haddad (Creighton) had recently released a Pharmacy Ethics casebook and pointed out that a more in-depth text might be in order.

UPDATE: Robert M. Veatch and Amy Haddad, *Case Studies in Pharmacy Ethics, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition*, New York: Oxford University Press, Feb 2008.

ACTION: Tim Stratton will send out a call via the Pharmacy Ethics SIG listserv to gauge interest among SIG members for collaborating on either of the above projects.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tim Stratton, Recorder