American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy  
Annual Meeting

HEALTH CARE ETHICS SIG BUSINESS  
MEETING MINUTES  
July 26, 2016  
6:50am-7:45am  
Anaheim Marriott & 
Convention Center  
Anaheim, California

Attendance: Six (6) people were present (including three officers and one AACP representative).

Introductions: Robert Cisneros (Chair) called the business meeting to order at 6:50 am and presided over the session. He welcomed everyone to the meeting and all those present introduced themselves to the group.

I. Old Business:

A. Approval of the Minutes: Minutes from the 2015 SIG Business Meeting were approved without any revisions.

B. Department of Health and Human Services Call for Comments– Health Care Ethics Committee Response:

1. Thank you to Michael Maloslakis for the suggestion to respond to The Department of Health and Human Services requested for written comments regarding deliberation and education in bioethics. Thanks to Michael and numerous members of the Health Care Ethics Committee, the SIG was able to submit a written response to the Presidential Commission for the Study of Bioethical Issues.

II. New Business:

A. 2016 AACP Health Care Ethics SIG Programming:

1. The 2016 AACP SIG Programming is a joint collaboration of the Health Care Ethics SIG, Geriatrics SIG and the Health Disparities and Cultural Competency SIG.

2. The session is titled “Invisible, Unequal, and Forgotten: Re-establishing ethics, geriatrics and health disparities as essential components of the Pharm.D. Curriculum”

3. Originally, there were two keynote speakers with the following allotted time:
   a. Keynote Speaker (40 minutes)
i. Brief Bio: Ann Hamric, PhD, RN, FAAN Assoc Dean for Academic Programs, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA

ii. Focus: The state of academia in terms of geriatrics, ethics, and health disparities - The need for incorporation & Impact on Learners

b. Keynote Speaker (25 minutes)

i. Brief Bio: Amy Haddad, PhD, RN Director Center for Health Policy, Creighton University Medical Center, Omaha, NE

ii. Focus: Classroom implementation and curriculum integration

4. Unfortunately, Dr. Haddad could not make the AACP Meeting therefore, Dr. Lakesha Butleer (Health Disparities SIG), Dr. Karen Marlow (Geriatrics SIG) and Dr. Bob Cisneros (Health Care Ethics SIG) will present a panel discussion over the growing need to incorporate ethics, health disparities and geriatrics in pharmacy curricula. Each presenter will share examples of the tools and resources they utilize in the classroom setting followed by a 20 min facilitated roundtable discussion.

B. Ethics Toolkit: Bob Cisneros will be continuing to work on the ethics toolkit and reaching out to ask members of the SIG for useful resources to add to the toolkit such as videos, articles and links.

C. Future Educational Programs:

1. Invite Pharmacy Practice to consider a possible collaboration for next year’s AACP SIG programming on Moral Distress. Moral Distress is a topic of research for Dr. Jim Ruble and Dr. Ann Hamric. Pharmacists need skills to handle moral distress and a moral compass handle challenges in today’s healthcare. For example, moral distress of patients that cannot afford the high cost of oncology drugs that may prolong life just a few months. This dilemma is just one of many facing pharmacists today.

2. Entertain the idea of various means for offering ethics offered during the year to our 233 members of the Health Care Ethics SIG. One such suggestion was hosting webinars.

3. Consider ethical issues surrounding implementation and use of ExamSoft as a potential AACP SIG program. Bob Cisneros spoke of a case where a student at a college of pharmacy sat in the back of the room during an exam. He pretending to take the exam while communicating the password to another individual outside the classroom. The individual outside the classroom logged on and took the exam. After waiting a reasonable amount of time, the student inside the classroom told the proctor that he forgot and “exited out of the green screen” as he left the classroom. Best practices dictate that students must present the green screen to verify the completion of the exam before exiting the exam. Later, it was discovered that the student did not take the exam and had enlisted another individual to
complete the exam.

D. **AACP Connect**: AACP will be encouraging SIGs to utilize this tool in the future because it is easier to upload information, will allow a search of a key word and easier for SIGs to blog. The AACP Connect is currently being developed.

E. **AACP SIG Consolidations**: It was discussed that AACP will be encouraging AACP SIG members to have a maximum of two primary SIG memberships. Primary membership allows the SIG to stay healthy thru active involvement of it’s primary members. Secondary membership of a SIG is viewed as information only.

III. Installation of Officers and Closing Remarks

A. New officers were sworn into their respective positions:
   - Bob Cisneros (Campbell University)… Past Chair
   - Ronda Bryant (Lipscomb University)… Chair
   - Jim Ruble (University of Utah)… Chair-Elect

B. Bob Cisneros was presented a plaque of appreciate from Ronda Bryant for all his work and dedication to the Health Care Ethics SIG.

C. Closing remarks: Bob was very complimentary of the collaboration among the Geriatrics, Health Disparities and Cultural Competency and Health Care Ethics SIG for the 2016 AACP meeting. A special thanks to Kelechi C. Ogbonna, Chair of the Geriatric SIG, for his outstanding contributions to our AACP programming.

D. Adjournment: We adjourned at 7:35am
   Respectfully submitted,
   Ronda Bryant
   Aug, 20, 2016