

Dental Senate Minutes
Tuesday, January 10, 2023
11:30 AM-12:15 PM
Webex

Present: Drs. Schmidt, Nichols, Tobin, Antic, Schuyler, Reichenberger, Maye, Kurup, Cotney, Rungruanganunt, Brocke, Bayarsaihan, Chen, Bernstein, Wang, Ruiz, Lepowsky, Lottinger

Staff: Ms. Chojnowski and Gugliotti

Absent: Rabat, Dutra

Regrets: Drs. Wagner, Brown

Dr. Schmidt called the meeting to order at 11:35 am

Approval of Minutes:

- Corrections made then minutes approved by committee.
- Dr. Reichenberger motion to approve
- Dr. Maye second

Senate Student Members and Clinical Science Department Part Time Senators:

- Dr. Schmidt: Main purpose of meeting is to go over bullet point 4 from attachment “Code of Professional Conduct Policy.”
- Dr. Liang sent a note to Dr. Schmidt informing him she was leaving UConn as of Dec 2022. Dr. Schmidt inquired whether part time senators need to be replenished on the senate?
 - Dr. Reichenberger: If the department can find a part-time person to take her place that would be great; if not its not necessary. Tabled by Dr. Schmidt.

Update on Bylaws:

- Dr. Lepowsky Bylaws update: Cautiously optimistic that the number of meetings with legal council will come to an end and with their approval the bylaws will be going to all faculty. Will have an All-faculty meeting and make any changes, then the faculty vote. If it’s an affirmative vote then it will go to the Academic subcommittee for approval.
 - Hopefully this can be completed by the end of first quarter of 2023.
- Dr. Schmidt: Feel free to disseminate this information to anyone in your respective department.

Code of Professionalism and Ethical Conduct:

- Dr. Schmidt was contacted by Dr. Duncan to review and bring to the senate. Dr. Schmidt showed the edits in red on the screen in the draft document and showed where the changes were made, related to student gifts policy. This includes the giving and accepting of gifts between patient's faculty, staff and students.
- Dr. Lepowsky: Drs. Bernstein and Saaed deal with this mainly around the holidays regarding patients giving to students and students giving to faculty. They have been applying this in theory from the state code of ethics however it did not appear anywhere in writing.
- Dr. Schmidt reviewed two other minor edits to the document.
 - Associate Dean of *Academic Affairs*
 - Added by campus mail and email on page 14
- Dr. Schmidt questioned that since the document was edited if we should change the date noted on the document?
 - Edited January 2023
 - Dr. Bernstein: It should read "edited and approved Jan 10, 2023" to show senate is taking action.
 - Motion to Approve
 - Dr. Maye
 - Dr. Brocke second
 - All in favor no one opposed

Miscellaneous Items:

Dr. Schmidt: Asked the group if it is ok to keep meetings minutes virtual?

- Group was in favor to keep meeting virtual for attendance reasons

Motion to adjourn at 11:50 am

- Dr. Brocke motioned to approve
- Dr. Lottinger second