

Minutes Student Council Pharmacy (SCP/STOF-) meeting

Date and time: June 7th, 2022 - from 16:00h till 17:00h

Location: 3111.0326

Attendees: Jesse Mulder, Thirsa Lohuis, Marijke van der Wagt, Wietske Heddema, Manon Wilpshaar, Myrthe Boerrigter, Emma Dorenbos, Edgard Weening, Katja Taxis, Emma van Rijn, Bas Baartmans, Sabeth Verpoorte, Eduard Post, Frank Dekker, Lamys Fawzy, Kai Timmer, Sina Nikbakht, Remco Prins, Boy van Basten (online).

1. Opening

Jesse Mulder opens the meeting at 16:04h.

2. Setting the agenda

No changes have been made.

3. Minutes of SCP-meeting held on April 12th, 2022

5d. Msc Pharmacy Year 1

Dutch writing skills

Herman Woerdenbag (not present, passed on via e-mail): We are aware that, due to the English language bachelor, the connection with the Dutch master programme is not optimal anymore. It has become clear that communication in Dutch (written and oral) is difficult for many students who followed the entire English bachelor programme. We now started to offer a few parts of bachelor courses in the Dutch language (and of course in English as well, for the international students and Dutch students who prefer that e.g., because they will continue with the MPS master).

The last 2 ECTS of ARCS1 are connected to Global Health and Pharmacotherapy. There will be training in communication with patients, also in Dutch. Katja Taxis and Kirsten van Apeldoorn are organising this. In ARCS3 we had meetings with teachers also in Dutch, and as of next week there will be online meetings with professionals in the field, also partly in Dutch. A final assignment of ARCS3 is a reflection paper, to be handed in by the end of June. I have given the students the opportunity to write this in Dutch as well. They can choose. Finally, today I start with the elective Herbal Medicine. There are two group assignments, one report and a patient leaflet, that may be written in Dutch by students who prefer this, and I will give feedback.

As of next year, ARCS will become Professionalism in Pharmacy (1, 2 and 3). Boy van Basten is the coordinator. In these courses, we will pay some attention to Dutch as well.

The language issue is under further discussion in the Programme Board and will be on the agenda for the meeting we will have at the end of June with the Faculty Board.

4. Announcements of the SCP

a. Introduction of the new SCP-committee

- Jesse Mulder is the new chair
- Thirsa Lohuis is the new secretary
- Marijke van der Wagt is the new treasurer
- Wietske Heddema is the new assessor

5. Announcements of the Year Representatives

a. BSc Pharmacy Year 1 *Pharmaceutical Analysis A* (Note: formerly *Pharmaceutical Analysis A*)

Manon Wilpshaar is disappointed that both year representatives are not present today because they wanted to discuss a complaint and did not show up. *Jesse Mulder* will talk to them to discuss this. *Eduard Post* says he already discussed their complaint in a feedback session, in which students stated that it was unclear what should be written in the report about the UV-experiment. *Sina Nikbakht*, *Sabeth Verpoorte*, *Eduard Post*, *Remco Prins*, and *Boy van Basten* started a discussion. Overall, the course coordinators want students to learn to think for themselves and do not want to give all answers away. Moreover, they provided clear instructions that they think should be sufficient to pass and if needed there was a second chance. Next year they intend to provide more help in writing the report. *Eduard Post* wants to set up a student panel to discuss potential changes to the course next year. *Sabeth Verpoorte* suggested more senior students can help first-year students with writing tips for the report, for example during tutor meetings. *Emma Dorenbos* says, on behalf of the 141st board of G.F.S.V. "Pharmaciae Sacrum", they incorporated this in their policy plan. *Jesse Mulder* will contact the first-year representatives about the result of the discussion.

b. BSc Pharmacy Year 2

Metabolism and Toxicology (resit)

After the low passing percentage (11 out of 70) of students of the Metabolism and Toxicology resit, the second-year representatives made a survey (31 responses) about this resit to evaluate the problems with the exam. In the survey, students stated that they thought the exam questions were too detailed, especially the open questions. In addition, the questions with two statements were very difficult to answer. *Eduard Post* suggests contacting Inge de Graaf about this problem since he is only involved in the practical part of the Metabolism and Toxicology course. *Kai Timmer*, *Manon Wilpshaar*, *Lamys Fawzy*, *Jesse Mulder*, *Katja Taxis*, and *Remco Prins* discussed the problem, and it was suggested to set up a student panel to directly discuss the exam with Inge de Graaf. Teachers are willing to cooperate, however, it is the responsibility of the students. The second-year students' request for a third exam opportunity but this is a decision that can only be made by the exam committee and students must independently make this request. Furthermore, teachers cannot do more than that for now.

c. BSc Pharmacy Year 3

- *Sina Nikbakht* has nothing to mention.
- *Emma van Rijn* says she is happy about the option of writing the report of the elective Herbal Medicine course in either Dutch or English.

d. MSc Pharmacy Year 1

Manon Wilpshaar, on behalf of *Cees Boone* and *Floris Hofman*, says that there is a problem with places for 'Stage AO'. *Edgard Weening* says he is also unhappy about the long traveling times for students to their internship. In the future, they want to call the pharmacies more often to ask about possible places for 'Stage AO'. The increasing number of students is mostly a problem for 'Stage Z'. He is open to anyone with good suggestions for this problem. *Katja Taxis* agrees that it is hard to find places for 'Stage Z'. *Remco Prins* suggests that the board could contact alumni to ask about possible places for 'Stage AO'. *Edgard Weening* wants to have a brainstorm session with a group of students and the SCP Committee about this problem and says that Nynke Schuiling-Veninga and Wilma Heesen are probably willing to attend as well.

e. MSc Pharmacy Year 2

Myrthe Boerrigter has nothing to mention.

f. MSc Pharmacy Year 3

Remco Prins has nothing to mention.

g. MSc MPS Year 1

Bas Baartmans has nothing to mention.

h. MSc MPS Year 2

Isa de Boer (not present, passed on via WhatsApp) has nothing to mention.

6. Announcements of the departments

a. Program Committee (Opleidings

Commissie) No one was present – no comments.

b. Advisory Council (Raad van Advies) No one was present – no comments.

c. Programme Board

- *Frank Dekker* states that they have urgently requested a Numerus Fixus for the Pharmacy Bachelor from 2023-2024 onward.
- *Katja Taxis* mentions that there are many vacancies for new Assistant Professors (education). They are doing their best to find teachers to fill the vacancies.

d. Faculty Council

No one was present – no comments.

e. Faculty Board

No one was present – no comments.

f. University Council

No one was present – no comments.

g. Bètastuf

No one was present – no comments.

7. Table round

- *Herman Woerdenbag* (not present, passed on via e-mail): The expectation for next year is 240-360 first year students. We cordially hope that it is an overestimation, but we should prepare for a large inflow. It should not go at the cost of the quality of the programme, that is clear. We will be selective in the propaedeutic year.
- *Jesse Mulder* thanks everyone for the attention.

8. Closing

Jesse Mulder closes the meeting at 16:56h.