**St George’s Medical Ethics and Law society**

**Constitution**

1. **Name**
	1. The club/society’s name shall be St George’s Medical Ethics and Law society (St George’s Ethics Society).
2. **Aims and objectives**
	1. The aim of the club/society will be to inspire students to think carefully about clinical ethics and to provide educational and interesting events.
	2. This aim shall be achieved by holding regular expert speaker evenings on a broad range of ethical topics, and vibrant ethical forums for debate.
3. **Membership**
	1. Membership of the club/society will be open to all members of SGSU in accordance with SGSU constitution and policy.
	2. Members of the club/society will act in accordance with SGSU’s constitution and policy.
4. **Subscription and finance**
	1. A membership fee is required from all club/society members. The club/society officials will determine this fee and are responsible for its collection.
	2. The club/society’s financial matters will be dealt with in accordance with SGSU’s constitution and policy.
5. **Club/society officials**
	1. An elected committee will conduct the running of the club/society.
	2. The committee will ensure that the club/society abides by this constitution.
	3. The committee will consist of the following officers who will be members of SGSU:
* President
* Treasurer
* Secretary
* Committee members
	1. The committee will serve for one academic year.
1. **Duties of club/society officials**
	1. The club/society president is responsible for:
		* Organising regular meetings with the committee
		* Ensuring the smooth running of the society as a whole
		* Communicating with the SU
		* Helping to provide ideas for new and exciting events for the members and organising these
		* Communicating with staff/external speakers who are attending our events
	2. The club/society treasurer is responsible for:
		* Financial planning and decisions, together with the president.
		* Assists with membership affairs and costing of events.
		* Payments in cash made where possible and ensures debts are met.
	3. The club/society secretary is responsible for:
		* Sending out emails to members informing them of upcoming events.
		* Keeping the constitution up to date.
		* Organising the register at events.
		* Answering email enquiries.
	4. The club/society committee members are responsible for:
		* Assisting in the organising of events
		* Attending committee meetings
		* Helping to provide ideas for new and exciting events for members
2. **Meetings**
	1. The club/society committee will meet regularly during term time.
	2. Regular committee meetings are required to discuss all club/society matters. Minutes shall be made available to SGSU for ratification.
3. **Voting**
	1. This will take place for the election of officials and any other issue that the club/society deems of importance.
	2. Only club/society members will be entitled to vote.
	3. The results of any election shall be passed to the societies officer and the general secretary of SGSU at the earliest opportunity.
4. **Changes to the club/society constitution**
	1. Changes can be implemented if a two-thirds majority is obtained at an annual or extraordinary general meeting of the club/society.
	2. Any changes shall be deemed provisional until passed to the societies officer and the general secretary of SGSU at the earliest opportunity and subsequently ratified.
5. **Clubs/societies complaints procedure**
	1. Any complaints shall be dealt with in accordance with SGSU constitution and policy.
6. **SGSU commitments**
	1. The club/society shall adhere to SGSU constitution and policy.
7. **Discipline**
	1. Any disciplinary matters shall be dealt with in accordance with SGSU constitution and policy.
8. **Declaration**

I declare that the Ethics Society shall abide by this constitution, drawn up this 19th day of the 3rd month, 2017.

***Liz Pillai***

20/03/17

Club/society president

I declare that this constitution has been ratified by SGSU and the Ethics Society is hereby recognized by SGSU.

SGSU societies officer

SGSU general secretary