RADIOGRAPHY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: November 17, 2010 from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Topic	Discussion/Recommendations	Action
Welcome/Introductions	The minutes from the June 06, 2010 Advisory Committee Meeting were discussed.	After the introductions were completed, the minutes were tabled.
First Year Class Update	Twenty-three students matriculated into the program this past January and eighteen remain for a retention rate of 78%.	Since the retention rate is above the program's benchmark of 75%, no action is needed at this time.
Second Year Class Update	Twenty-two students matriculated into the program in January of 2009 and eighteen remain for a retention rate of 82%.	Since the retention rate is above the program's benchmark of 75%, no action is needed at this time.
Second Year Graduation Fees	WorkNet, Pinellas has reserved funds to pay the \$150 ARRT Certification fee and \$50 FDOH License fee for qualified graduates.	None noted.
Job Market	Due to a very tight job market, program staff will work closely with graduates to assist in job placement.	Monitor job placement.
Mock Job Interviews	Program staff worked with multiple departments at SPC to develop and implement mock job interviews for students enrolled in Advanced Radiography.	Due to the success of this interview process, many members of the advisory committee expressed an interest in joining SPC staff in conducting mock interviews next year.
Tyrone Imaging Center	Tyrone Imaging Center has temporarily closed.	Program staff will work with BayCare personnel to determine if and when student rotations will be continued after construction has been completed on their new building.
ARRT Update	The ARRT has published new didactic and clinical curriculum requirements that will become effective in January of 2012.	Advisory committee members recommended that the program adopt these changes in January of 2011.
Assessment Plan	The program's graduate and employer survey results for the class of 2009 were distributed and reviewed. The results exceeded the program's benchmarks in every category.	None noted.
Clinical Coordinator Position	At the conclusion of this semester, Linda Kelsey will transition from the program's clinical coordinator to a role as an adjunct instructor.	A new clinical coordinator will be in place for the beginning of Session II.

Equipment	As of this date, the position has not officially been filled. However, we have concluded our interview process to replace her and we have offered the job to a very qualified candidate.	
Recommendations		
Lead Markers	With a recommendation from the advisory committee, the program would like to submit a request for Perkins Grant funds to pay for student lead markers.	Members of the advisory committee unanimously concurred with this request.
Fisher X-ray Lab	After twenty years of use, the Fisher x-ray lab is clearly beginning to exhibit signs of wear and tear. This machine is still functional and it did recently pass an inspection by the FDOH. However, it has recently required several service calls for repairs.	This item will require further discussion at our next meeting. In the meantime, program personnel will acquire an estimate to replace the Fisher x-ray lab with either a new, refurbished or rented piece of equipment.
Digital Radiography		
Cassette Sizes	A recommendation was made to use only 10 x 12" and 14 x 17" cassette sizes in Procedures I and II Lab classes. This change will shadow the cassette sizes being employed for CR units at all of our clinical sites.	Members of the advisory committee unanimously concurred with this recommendation.
Optimum kVp for Digital Radiography	A recommendation was made to increase kVp values for CR and DR imaging techniques. This is a trend that is sweeping the industry as we search for methods to reduce patient exposure. John gave a presentation on how kVp controls contrast with film/screen radiography and compared that to how look-up-table algorithms now perform this same function with digital radiography.	Members of the advisory committee unanimously concurred with this recommendation. However, SPC students must follow hospital protocol if a facility is not willing to embrace this new measure.
Meeting Announcement	The next Advisory Committee Meeting will be held at the Health Education Center sometime in the spring or early summer of 2011.	None noted.