

Dental Hygiene Advisory Committee Minutes September 12, 2013

Attendance: Joan Tonner, Mina Hanna, Erin Dougherty, Jeanette Siladie, Christine Patel, Linda Johnson, Dan Gardner, Sandi Marcil, Amy Krueger, Steven Bloom, Melanie Poirier, Yaniris Paz, Katherine Woods, Jerry Reynolds, Greg Langston, Chris Wujick, Tracy Garrett

Not in Attendance: Mendee Ligon, Sarah O'Toole, Darla Chaisson, Lori Guettler, Michelle Furu, Dean Ludwig, Steven Kobernick

Welcome & Introductions

Minutes recorded on iPad after receiving permission from members.
Call to order : Joan called to order at 7:15 PM

Nomination/Appointment of Chair for Committee 2013-2014- Chris Wujick agreed to remain as Chair for this term. The Committee to consider having meeting in the Spring on Tuesday or Wednesday to accommodate his schedule.

Program Activities:

Enrollment and Program Updates

BASDH Update: Siladie

- We have awarded our 500th bachelor degree to RDH's this past July!
- We implemented our new curriculum with 10 extra credits in August 2012 cohorts, and again in January 13 and August 2013 cohorts. So far, going smoothly—program length is still approximately 24 months, but students must now take Community Health and Epidemiology as part of their core courses, and then must choose 2 electives from a list of 9 courses (3 credits each)
- Our first cohorts with the new curriculum have their Capstone in spring 2014, and will graduate in May.
- As part of our program goals, we have instituted a critical thinking test administered by Insight testing—we now have baseline scores for incoming students, and will compare to posttest given during the capstone course—we will get our first comparative data in May 2014. Hopefully this will show that students are gaining/improving critical thinking skills as they progress in the program.
- Our website has been upgraded to improve student navigation...and students now can email me with inquiries as my name is included on website. Also, when students call about program, they are forwarded to my extension—we find that direct communication with program goes a long way toward recruitment of potential students.

- Google search engine results: now get returns on the first page #6 position using the terms “Dental Hygiene Bachelor’s degree”! Using “online dental hygiene degree completion”—now on page 2 position #21—this is a vast improvement from position #42 on the 5th page a year ago!
- In the spring, we sent postcard mailings to all RDH’s in the state of Florida. Also, we will have a booth at FDHA in Orlando to help with recruitment.

AS DH : Tonner

- New adjunct faculty members: Maryellen Tilly, Alison Strassenreiter, Bonnie Francis, Heather Harper
- Freshmen class total 35 with two students readmitting
- Sophomores class total 33
- National Board exam – 100 % pass rate
- Clinical Exam – 76.6 % pass rate first attempt/ second attempt 85.7% went to University of Pittsburg to retake in August. Next retake exam in Florida isn’t until November. Joan discussed communications with NERB regarding retake exam
- Webpage has been updated with current program information and SPC DH clinic information

Chair /computer update – Tonner

- 50th Anniversary / OPEN House April 12, 2014 HEC 11:30-1:30 PM in combination with PCDHA CE Spring Seminar guest speakers in morning and afternoon. Dr. Nicotera has agreed that SPC will co-sponsor this event.
- Katie has contacted two national speakers
 - Shelia Weagle DHEd, MPH, RDH, CHES, Public Health Analyst
 - Dr. Scott Tomar, UF Department of Community Dentistry and Behavioral Science.

Community Events- Krueger

Pinellas County School Board Agreement DEH 2702 C: Krueger

- April 2013 - Initial with Amy Krueger and Katie Woods
- Pinellas Park Elementary chosen school for Spring semester 2014.

Study Abroad – Jamaica International October site visit by Amy Krueger with a DH and Dental School from California. DEH 2702C will be the course offered to selected students to do their community service in fall semester in Jamaica Fall 2014 or locally Spring 2015.

Other activities:

Special Olympics, Abuse shelter in St Pete, Tent City in Clearwater for the homeless, The VA RV Park for retired military, Salvation Army, also the students packed food for Feeding America. They are all going out into local schools this October.

Surveys

- AS online surveys –Tonner

1. Professional Development for Graduated Class of 2012 planned to launch
2. Employer Evaluation Class of 2012 – no responses based on email sent to employers via the nine responses received by graduates. Committee suggested sending the survey to the DH's that responded asking them to give to their employers to complete.
3. Committee wanted a question relevant to local anesthesia administration for the graduating survey. Joan requested committee to send her one question and she will include in survey.

Program Participation in: Tonner

- Johnson & Johnson Clinic Essentials 2012-2013 results were excellent
- 2013-2014 survey responses were received at 100% for this sophomore class.

DH Clinic:Equipment wish list: AS program's needs

In order of preference:

1. DXTRR humanoid mannequins (2) * \$12,500.00 @ \$ 12,500.00 each
2. Iodinated Cartridge Water filters for dental chairs * 3,125.00
3. Digital doc intra oral cameras (2) * 7,000.00 @ \$3,378.00 each
4. Dental Trimmers for dental materials lab (5) 3,000.00

Committee discussed less expensive choices for digital cameras and showing students different digital cameras since there will be a variety they are exposed to in practice. Point was made that consistency with directions for one type of camera is important when managing 36 students and multiple faculty throughout four semesters.

Accreditation AS Program update: Tonner

Received official letter from CODA August 12, 2013 stating that the Commission on Dental Accreditation adopted a resolution to continue the accreditation status of “approval without reporting requirements” for the dental hygiene program.

Local Anesthesia:

Sophomores Class of 2013 graduated with certificate
Freshmen have in their curriculum in second semester of clinic through fourth semester.

CE course in June registration at maximum – 36 participants completed
Another planned for September 23rd online opening /Oct 18 & 19th
Nov 1 & 2nd lab days – registration almost full

Announcements

Lunch and Learn Events

Dates and speakers to be announced.

All faculty, adjuncts, staff, support personnel, and students are invited.

First one: September 3, 2013 Topic: Public Health

Expert Speaker's Series hosted by Dr. Nicotera (HEC Auditorium)

Thursday **August 15th, 2-4 PM**, HEC All Faculty and Staff Welcome Back with presenter Dr. Erik Black, University of Florida

Friday **January 10th** - **approx. 9 AM-Noon**, HEC All Faculty and Staff Spring Kick-off with presenter Dr. Shelly Konrad, University of New England
All faculty, adjuncts, staff, support personnel, and students are invited.

Team-Based Learning Events for Students

These case study experiences based on workplace situations are made available to our students in collaboration with University of Florida. The pharmacy students at Seminole campus and the dental hygiene students at HEC invite your students to join us for this unique and relevant learning opportunity. We hope you will find a way to fit this into the schedule because all students are invited. We are looking forward to seeing your students there!

Monday **October 28th**, **approx. 9 AM-Noon**, Location TBA on the topic of Medical Ethics, please RSVP to Christine Patel with the student headcount **by Sept 9th** at Patel.chrstine@spcollege.edu.

Monday **February 10th**, **approx. 9 AM-Noon**, Epi Center Collaborative Labs on the topic of Medical Errors, please RSVP to Christine Patel with the student headcount **by Jan 9th** at Patel.chrstine@spcollege.edu.

All students are invited.

Missions of Mercy- Chris Wujick informed us of the dates and the need. Date and location :March 28th and March 29th Florida Fairgrounds. Amy Krueger to contact Nolan Allen to see if students can be utilized.

Set up before the two days that is actually scheduled. Administrative help needed as well.

Adjournment –Motion to adjourn was made by the Chair at 8:15 PM.