

Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

PROGRAM COMMITTEE NAME:		Respiratory Care			
CHAIRPERSON:	Rick Barron				
MEETING DATE:	4/17/12	MEETING TIME:	3:00 p.m.	MEETING PLACE:	Allied Health Building
RECORDER:	Kim Lacey, Executive Secretary, 354-6055, kslacey@actx.edu			PREVIOUS MEETING:	4/19/11
MEMBERS PRESENT					
List all members of the committee, then place an X in the box left of name if present					
	NAME	TITLE	EMPLOYER INFO	PHONE	EMAIL
X	Rick Barron	RRT	NWTH	806.681.1831	rick.barron@nwths.com
X	Melissa Bundy	RPSGT	BSA – Sleep Center	806.212.0131	N/A
X	Nancy Gerard-Altswager	Community Member	Retired		
X	Sam Gutierrez	RRT	NWTH	806.679.1918	N/A
X	Alan Sissel	RRT	BSA Hospital	N/A	N/A
X	David Sledge	RRT	Kindred Hospital	806.467.7004	dsledge@kindred.healthcare.com
X	Susan Sledge	RRT	BSA Hospital	806.212.5526	susan.sledge@bsahs.org
X	Rachel Rodriguez	Student Representative	Amarillo College	N/A	N/A
X	Mark Rowh	Program Director – Nuclear Medicine	Amarillo College	806.354.6071	merowh@actx.edu
EX-OFFICIO'S PRESENT					
X	Valerie Hansen	Program Director	Amarillo College	806.654.6073	vahansen@actx.edu
X	Becky Byrd	Faculty – Clinical Coordinator	Amarillo College	806.354.6058	rbyrd@actx.edu
X	Neil Allen	Part-Time Faculty	Amarillo College	N/A	nrallen@actx.edu
X	Bill Crawford	Dean – Health Sciences	Amarillo College	806.354.6070	wecrawford@actx.edu
X	Cherie Clifton	Advisory – Health Sciences	Amarillo College	806.354.6007	caclifton@actx.edu
AGENDA ITEM		ACTION DISCUSSION INFORMATION			RESPONSIBILITY
Tour		Hansen gave everyone a tour of the new laboratory/classroom area.			Val Hansen
Call To Order		Barron called the meeting to order and introductions were made around the table.			Rick Barron
Minutes		The minutes of the meeting were approved with two corrections: Mark Rowh was in attendance at the last meeting; D. Sledge reported that everything is going well. He plans on expanding the LSAT <u>LTAC</u> rotation and would like to continue working with Becky and the students.			Kim Lacey
Health Science Advisor		Clifton reported that the college's enrollment as a whole, this spring, is down 5%. Also, summer enrollment is down 15%, and fall enrollment is up 45%. Spring Fling at the West Campus is April 26 @ 11:30. Everyone is invited to enjoy free food, games and music! Clifton reported that the SSS/TRIO is funded by a grant from the US Department of Education. The program is designed to improve retention and degree completion of health science students, and currently there are			Cherie Clifton

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	six respiratory care students that are participating.	
Student Representative	Rodriquez had nothing to report. Hansen said that Ms. Rodriquez was the program's honor student this year.	
Clinical Coordinator	<p>Byrd reported that Karen St. Germaine and Kayla Wimberley were hired as part-time faculty for the program and that is working out very well...glad to have them! Northwest Texas Hospital closed their pulmonary rehabilitation department so that rotation has been removed from the clinic schedule. Students are receiving pulmonary function training at Amarillo Diagnostic Clinic and the Emergency Room.</p> <p>The 16 freshmen students will be starting their clinic June 25 and will have seven days in critical care and three days in therapy evaluation. The 12 sophomore students will start their clinic May 14 and will have four days in critical care, four days on the floor, and then 24-hour rotations to finish up.</p>	Becky Byrd
Part-Time Faculty	<p>Allen reported that he is teaching the Pharmacology course and has changed it to a hybrid course. Students will be in the classroom one hour a week, and the rest of the course is done online.</p> <p>Allen thought that he might also teach the Pulmonary Disease course hybrid as well. That course is taught in the fall semester.</p>	Neil Allen
Affiliation Reports	<p>BSA Hospital – Currently there are four respiratory care students working in the respiratory department will hopefully hire four more students in the fall. Sissel reported that the Sleep Center is doing well and there are six beds and four respiratory therapists working in the center. Bundy added that the Sleep Center will earn an accreditation through the AASM (American Academy of Sleep Medicine). Earning this accreditation enables sleep medicine providers to offer broader options to patients and facilities and allows facilities to earn recognition.</p> <p>Kindred Health Care – D. Sledge reported that they currently have one sophomore student working and always has great success hiring respiratory care students. The students that come from Amarillo College are very well trained. He added that he may be hiring more in the fall semester.</p> <p>Northwest Texas Hospital – Barron reported that they have one student working and there will be three positions open for the summer. He added that approximately 90% of their employees come from the Respiratory Care Program because they are so well trained. Today, two brand new Oscillators were delivered. Also their sleep lab closed.</p>	Alan Sissel, Melissa Bundy, David Sledge & Rick Barron
Director's Report	Hansen was very excited to show everyone the new lab, equipment and furniture that were purchased through bond money. An Open House will be April 26 @ 4:30, and everyone on the advisory board should have received an invitation.	Valerie Hansen

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	<p>The program will be going through reaccreditation and the onsite team will be visiting the college June 11 & June 12. A schedule was given to all board members. IMPORTANT: June 11 at 12:00 the site team will want to meet with all advisory board members, which will include lunch. A copy of the site teams' itinerary was given to all board members as well as a list of possible questions that the site team might ask.</p> <p>Hansen gave everyone a copy of the program's goals and objectives. One change to the goals and objectives is that it is now based on registry-level and not entry-level. <i>Barron made a motion to accept the goals and objectives as written, seconded by Gutierrez, and unanimously approved by all other voting committee members.</i></p> <p>Hansen gave everyone a copy of the NBRC Summary Graduate Performance 2012. Addressed was the attrition rate and Hansen added that approximately 90% - 95% of reasons why students dropped from the program was due to non-academic reasons. Students are required to take the CRT after graduation; however, they are not required to take the RRT, and many do not. The cost to take the RRT is \$490 and that might be a deterrent to some students. Clifton asked if scholarship funds could be used to pay for half or the entire exam?</p> <p>Due to federal and state changes (Career Clusters) the program will be required to add a three-hour Medical Terminology course to the general education list, which means that the program must delete a three-hour Respiratory course. The course that will be dropped is Special Topics. The program will also add a First Year Seminar course. More information on the FYS course will be discussed at next years' meeting.</p> <p>Hansen talked about the respiratory care students going to SiMCentral. SiMCentral is a collaborative initiative of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, West Texas A&M University, and Amarillo College. The Center uses high fidelity human patient simulators to provide multi-disciplinary training opportunities to medical, nursing and allied health students.</p> <p>Hansen passed out the COARC Program Personnel Survey and asked that everyone applicable fill out the form and return to her as quickly as possible.</p>	
Adjournment	Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.	Rick Barron
Chairperson Signature: <i>Rick Barron</i>	Date: 4/17/12	Next Meeting: 4/13