

Amarillo College Business and Leadership Councils will ensure to comply with GIPWE Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes by incorporating the following agenda items into the meeting minutes. For more information about the characteristics of these committees, review pps. 7-8 in the [GIPWE](#).

- (1) Identification of committee members (**name, title, and affiliation**);
- (2) Indication of the committee members' presence or absence from the meeting.
- (3) The names and title of others present at the meeting.
- (4) The signature of the recorder; and
- (5) Evidence that industry partners have taken an active role in making decisions that affect the program as outlined below:
 - a. Evaluating the goals and objectives of the program curriculum.
 - b. Establishing workplace competencies for the program occupation(s).
 - c. Suggesting program revisions as needed.
 - d. Evaluating the adequacy of exciting college facilities and equipment.
 - e. Advising college personnel on the selection and acquisition of new equipment.
 - f. Identifying local business and industry leaders who will provide student with wor-Obased learning experience, employment, and placement opportunities.
 - g. Assisting in the professional development of faculty.
 - h. Assisting in promoting and publicizing the program to the community and to business and industry; and
 - i. Representing the needs of students from special populations as defined in Perkins V.

For recorders/notetakers

Please review the guidelines above and below as you prepare the agenda and/or minutes.

If a motion is made, make note in the section of who made the motion, who seconded, and include results of vote.

If there is no motion or action taken on a discussion or a point in the agenda, note "no action or vote taken" in the section.

Signatures and Routing

Upon completion of the minutes, please send them to advisory board/BLC chair and program chair and/or program coordinator for review and signature. *Include the meeting agenda with the minutes.* Afterwards, send it to Dean for review and final initial before you submit to the library for the electronic archives.

Instructions for Advisory Board / BLCs

Chairperson – appointed by program manager (someone outside of Amarillo College)

Recorder – person taking notes from meeting

Members – Include all members of committee; place an **X** to left of name if present.

Ex-Officio – Include all other people present. AC faculty, staff, and guests are ex-officio; they do not vote on motions.

“Program Name”
Business and Leadership Council Meeting Minutes

CHAIRPERSON: Dr. Audrey Lamberson		
April 17 th	11:30 AM	MEETING LOCATION: AC Simulation Center
RECORDER: Janet Barton		PREVIOUS MEETING: May 2 nd , 2025

MEMBERS PRESENT: (P = Present) Add nonmembers to bottom of table with heading “Others Present.”

P?	Name and Title (List all)	Business Affiliation	Email	Best contact number
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x	Rena Hutches	Baptist St. Anthony’s Hospital	Rena.hutches@bsahs.org	806-670-0464

x	Treva McKinney	Turn Center	treva@turncenter.org	806-681-3573
x	Russell Lees	Union County Hospital	Russell.lees@ucgh.net	806-679-2073
x	Kimberlea Moore	Back 2 Activity	kimberleamae@hotmail.com	
x	Stephanie Foust	Rehab Visions		

Minutes	
Key Discussion Points	Discussion
Old Business:	Approval of previous minutes – 1 st Rene, 2 nd Russell
Student Reports	<p>Cruz Saucedo- Finishing 1st year, will have summer clinicals. Cruz stated students are ready to finish. He spoke to other students to get feedback. They said there needs to be less leniency when it comes to skills checks...be stricter. Need to utilize the simulation center more. 2nd practical using standardized patients. Held events with other programs. Helped build relationships. On weekends visit different rehab places to gain more insight.</p> <p>Abigail Chamberlain – 2nd year – Abigail stated she is finishing her last clinical rotation in the evening. Doing good. Needs to be more focus on culture and working with students interested in program. Make it a big deal. There is a lot to cover and requires</p>

	hard work which needs to be communicated upfront. Kim Boyd asked about information meetings and if what the students said is being covered.
PTA Report	Pam stated the applications closed April 10 th . Kim will work on the applications. Casper test will be used which consists of situational problems. OTA, PTA, will use Casper Test. Will take top 48 students. June 10 th , acceptance emails will go out for Health Sciences. Hopefully PTA will have 24 students. Rena asked about students being able to choose three programs. Kim mentioned that they talk about grit, test anxiety. Med Term and Learning frame works are together. Radiography will take a B in A& P I but everything else must be an A. We have too many applications. Last year 800 took the HESI. We need to cut down on applications for some programs. In the Fall, all students must take med term. Kim stated observation hours are very important. She recommends more than eight and more than 1 facility. Students need immunizations for observations.
Kim Boyd	Kim mentioned that students need more than one observation. In the past there had to be at least two places 10-20 hours. The more things' applicants can see, the better. They get more points if they have more than eight observations hours. Rena stated students should not wait two weeks before application is in. That is not a quick turnaround. Observation hours are mandatory about 50 students have turned in hours. Abigail (student) suggested using 2 nd year students to help interview. Kimberlea stated interviews are crucial, Stephanie agreed with Kimberlea. Kimberlea stated the Casper is good but shouldn't take the place of the interview. Kim stated as a community college we must allow basically everyone. Students learn from the interview. Treva stated PTA program in Houston uses the interview process. There was good conversation about the interview process in determining the students who are chosen. Kimberlea asked if quality of student has changed since the change was made. Kim reviewed PTA Graduation and Retention Rates and the AC Strategic Plan.
Affiliation Reports	Dr. Audrey Lamberson Dumas Physical Therapy - took two students. They did a really good job. Some students have struggled but they have put things in place to help. Happy with the direction. Christine Kimbrell – Moore County Hospital District – Good students. They learned that everyone does everything, and students were able to see a lot. Jodie Coker – Veterans Administration -Jodie stated she took two students. Both students were good. Quality of students has improved. Jodie plans to take two next time. Rena Hutches – BSA Rena stated that the last two of three students did not pass their test after multiple attempts. Current students are doing good. Rena asked how we get the students prepared to test. Russell Lees – Union County Hospital - he has not taken students in a while. Russell stated he has been greenlighted to provide housing. Critical access hospital purchased a building for therapy center. Kimberlea Moore – Back 2 Activity - Kimberlea stated she has not taken a student for a while...had a bad experience. She is not opposed to taking a student again. Students need to be taught professionalism and respect. Students needs should not be before the patient's needs. Students need to understand they are guests at the facility. Maybe there should be a course in professionalism. She enjoys the students that are struggling because the tend to really care. Kim Boyd asked someone would come talk to the students about professionalism.

	<p>Treva McKinney– Turn Center- Treva stated the students are doing good. Kim Boyd asked if the students have improved or stayed the same since the changes were made. Treva stated they have improved. There was discussion in the group about the importance of the interview to determine the students that are chosen for the program. Treva stated they have not had a PTA in a few years. Have one now. Hopefully they can take another student soon.</p> <p>Stephanie Foust – Rehab Visions – Stephanie stated she has not had any problems.</p>
John Smoot	Immersion room can be used by PTA – It has a Day in the life situations. There will be more in fall and spring.
Other discussion	Badger Bound – If student has 15 hours Dual Credit they can come to AC for free. Badger Bound starting with juniors. Canyon ISD is on board. This includes our service areas and home-schooled students.
Melissa Burns CCHCE	Melissa mentioned Massage Therapy program which is two semesters. They had a student who came into the program but didn't realize they would have to touch people. Starting a prenatal program, medical billing and coding has started, Medical Assisting will be CE for 1 semester.
Devinne Fallis Pt Instructor	Devinne stated she appreciates the feedback. Feels informal. Devinne agrees the interviews are good. Just looking at the information in the class is not going to help. Devinne stated it is a privilege to be in a program. Job is to take care of patient. Students need to wear scrubs. Grade them on practicals.
Other:	NA
Adjourn:	1:13

Advisory Board / Business and
Leadership Council

Physical Therapist Assistant

April 24th 2026

Committee Chairperson: <i>Audrey Lamberson, PT, DPT</i>	MEETING DATE: 4/24/2026	NEXT MEETING:
Recorder's Signature: <i>Janet Barton</i>	06/04/2026	
DEPARTMENTAL CHAIRPERSON SIGNATURE: <i>Pamela Quintanilla</i>	DATE: 06/08/2026	
DIVISION DEAN'S SIGNATURE <i>Kim M Boyd</i>	DATE: 06/08/2026	

AGENDA

Physical Therapist Assistant

Business and Leadership Council

Friday April 24th, 2026

1. Welcome and Introductions – Dr. Audrey Lamberson
2. Approval of Previous Minutes 1st, 2nd
3. Advising – Leslie McCaslin
4. Student Representatives – Cruz Saucedo, Abigail Chamberlain
5. Perkins Grant – Jordan Ramos
6. Affiliation Reports
 - a. Audrey Lamberson – Rehab Visions
 - b. Christine Kimbrell – Moore County Hospital District
 - c. Jodie Coker – Veterans Administration
 - d. Rena Hutches – Baptist St. Anthony’s Hospital
 - e. Treva McKinney – Turn Center
 - f. Russell Lees – Union County Hospital
 - g. Kimberlea Moore – Back 2 Activity
 - h. Stephanie Foust, PT DPT
7. John Smoot – Director Health Sciences Simulation Center
8. Melissa Burns – Director Continuing Healthcare Education
9. Devinne Fallis – Supplemental Instructor
10. Pam Quintanilla -Instructor/Clinical Coordinator
11. Kim Boyd – Dean of Health Professions

BUSINESS LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Program: Physical Therapist Assistant BLC

Year: 2026

Program Director:
Dean -Health Sciences Kim Boyd

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Chair:

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Devinne Fallis	PTA	AC	-	-
Stephanie Faust		Rehab Visions	Dalhart	
Kimberleamooore		Back 2 activity		

Physical Therapist Assistant
Business Leadership Council
4/24/2026

Amarillo College Strategic Plan 2025

- 1. Increase Completion**
- 2. Align Degrees and Certificates with Current and New Labor Market Demand**
- 3. Increase Student Learning**
- 4. Equitable Degree and Certificate Attainment**
- 5. Build Systems for Financial Effectiveness**

Committee formed to write new Strategic plan

Physical Therapist Assistant DATA

Graduation and Retention Rates

Class Entering	# of Applicants Meeting Admission Requirements	# New Applicants Entering Program	# Graduating on Expected Date	# Graduating with Extended Time	Ultimate Graduation Rate
Fall 2026	90	23	Pending	Pending	Pending
Fall 2025	81	21	16	1	80.95%
Fall 2024	65	22	7	6	59.09%
Fall 2023	70	20	9	4	81.25%

Licensure and Employment Rates

Class Graduating	Number of Graduates	Number of Graduates who Took Exam Within 1 Year of Graduation	Number of Graduates Passing Exam on 1st Attempt	First-Time Licensure Pass Rate (based on number of graduates taking exam)	Ultimate Pass Rate Within 1 Year of Graduation	Licensees Employed as a PTA Within 6 Months of Graduation
Spring 2026	16	Pending	Pending	Pending	Pending	Pending
Spring 2025	19	19	9	47.4%	63.2%	92.3%
Spring 2024	13	13	10	46.2%	76.9%	100%
Spring 2023	13	13	12	66.7%	92.9%	100%

Health Science Sim Center

- IPE – Interprofessional Event
- Standardized Patients

Equipment

- Shockwave

Thank you for coming and supporting
the PTA program