

Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

PROGRAM COMMITTEE NAME:		Medical Laboratory Technology				
CHAIRPERSON:		Judy Massie				
MEETING DATE:		4.19.13	MEETING TIME:	12:00 p.m.	MEETING PLACE:	"A" Bldg. Room 107
RECORDER:		Kim Lacey, Executive Secretary 806.354.6055 kslacey@actx.edu		PREVIOUS MEETING:		4.27.12
MEMBERS PRESENT						
List all members of the committee, then place an X in the box left of name if present						
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X	Tilly Marks	Student Representative	Amarillo College	806.367.1245	otilam@gmail.com	
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X	Linda Bush	Manager	Physicians Preferred Laboratory	N/A	N/A	
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X	Denise Marnell	Lab Manager	Hereford Regional Hospital	N/A	denise.marnell@dschd.org	
X	Charles Curtis	Lab Director	Golden Plains Community Hosp.	N/A	N/A	
EX-OFFICIO'S PRESENT						
X	Jan Martin	Program Director	Amarillo College	806.354.6059	jmartin@actx.edu	
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X	Mark Rowh	Dean, Health Sciences	Amarillo College	806.354.6070	merowh@actx.edu	
X	Dr. Lowery-Hart	VP, Amarillo College	Amarillo College	806.371.5226	rdloweryhart@actx.edu	
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AGENDA ITEM		ACTION DISCUSSION INFORMATION			RESPONSIBILITY	
Welcome & Introductions		Massie welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made around the table.				
Minutes		The minutes of the 4.27.12 meeting were approved with no corrections.				
Advisor/Counselor		Clifton reported that two blood drives were scheduled at West Campus and both were cancelled due to inclement weather, as well as the generator of the small blood mobile went out. Spring Fling at West Campus was a hit, but had to be moved inside due to inclement weather. Registration for summer and fall started a few weeks ago and going strong. HEROES in Healthcare seminar will be held at West Campus with intensive career exploration and hands-on seminars for men in				

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	predominately female careers of surgical technology, nursing, dental hygiene, dental assisting programs, and medical laboratory technology.	
Continuing Healthcare Education	Absent	Kim Crowley
Student Representative	Marks reported that the program is great and glad that she is almost finished! Students are studying for their board exams, and application and fees are being sent in.	Tilly Marks
Director Report	<p>Martin reported that Amarillo College has started a First Year Seminar Course and all students entering the program will probably take it. The course touches on managing stress, money management, job shadowing, career exploration and dealing with difficult people.</p> <p>Martin presented a power point presentation that showed statistics over the last three years (2010, 2011, and 2012) of students who took their boards immediately after graduation passed their exams and those that waited did not pass their exams. Martin mentioned that there was a new Bill in Austin for a state licensure and she hopes that it passes. Some facilities in the area hire graduates without their certification. Several committee members mentioned that there was a lot of opposition for the bill to pass because it would drive up salaries. Discussion on why some students were waiting until the last minute to take their general education courses. Shouldn't they take those courses before they are accepted in to the program? One member mentioned that a student had not taken their General Chemistry course but had taken the programs chemistry course. Clifton added that some of those general education courses could be added as pre-requisites to the first year MLT courses, and the rest of the general education courses could be added as prerequisites for the second year MLT courses.</p> <p>The accreditation self-study is due September 1, 2013 and the site visit is scheduled for some time February 2014.</p>	Jan Martin
Faculty Report	Boyd reported that currently the program has 16 sophomores and 12 freshmen. Boyd has scheduled five interviews for this coming fall semester and had four more interviews to set up. She thanked everyone for their support of the program and for their support during all the student clinical changes that have taken place this year. Martin wrote a grant and received 30 classroom clickers. Students can answer multiple choice questions with the clickers while in the classroom setting. Students will be able to download the software applications. Boyd filled out paperwork for free educational software called Cellavision, and is using it now in Hematology lab.	Kim Boyd

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Affiliation Reports	<p>Amarillo Diagnostic Clinic – Students are doing very well.</p> <p>Baptist St. Anthony’s Hospital – Students are doing very well. Kim Boyd is great to work with. Hire a lot of graduates!</p> <p>Coon Memorial Hospital – Students are doing very well this year.</p> <p>Golden Plains Hospital – Students are doing well.</p> <p>Hereford Regional Hospital – The students are awesome! Have job openings.</p> <p>Physician Preferred Laboratory – Students are doing well.</p>	
Dean, Health Sciences	<p>Rowh thanked all committee members for their time and support of the program. Rowh gave everyone a hand-out and talked about Amarillo College’s No Excuses Belief System: Student Success and Completion. Currently, over 60% of AC’s students live below the poverty line. There are two food pantries at Amarillo College (Washington & West Campus) and soon there will be a Clothes Closet for students as well. Martin added that the college has hired a Social Worker.</p> <p>Dr. Lowery-Hart thanked everyone for everything they do for the students and for the program.</p>	
Adjournment	Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.	
Chairperson Signature: <i>Judy Massie</i>		Date: 4.19.13
		Next Meeting: Spring 2014