

## **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**February 12, 2010**

### **Minutes**

**Present:** Jerry Moller, Bob Austin, LaVon Barrett, Diane Brice, Carol Buse, Toni Gray, David Hernandez, Judy Jackman, Judy Johnson, , Carol Moore, Terry Moore, Jason Norman, Jack Stanley, Carol Summers, Henry Wyckoff

**Absent:** Danita McAnally, Courtney Milleson, John Robertson

Diane Brice introduced Tina Babb, the new Associate Registrar to the Committee.

Hernandez moved, seconded by Wyckoff to approve the 1/15/10 minutes. The motion carried.

### **ALLIED HEALTH** **Respiratory Care**

Val Hansen submitted a request to delete the following courses from the AC course inventory:

- RSPT 1266: Practicum I
- RSPT 1391: Special Topics
- RSPT 2314: Mechanical Ventilation
- RSPT 2317: Pharmacology

Austin moved, seconded by Stanley to approve the deletion of RSPT 1266, RSPT 1391, RSPT 2314 and RSPT 2317 from the AC course inventory. The motion carried.

### **Surgical Technology**

Lisa Holdaway submitted a request to add the following course to the AC course inventory:

- SRGT 2130: Professional Readiness  
Transition into the professional readiness for employment, attaining certification and maintaining certification status. A capstone experience may be included. (1 sem hr; 1 lec)

A request was submitted to change SRGT 1405: Introduction to Surgical Technology from (4 sem hrs; 3 lec, 4 lab) to (4 sem hrs; 4 lec)

A request was also submitted to make the following changes to the Surgical Technology AAS degree:

- Add BIOL 2421: Microbiology to Mathematics/Natural Sciences
- Delete HIST 1301: History of the United States I and SOCI 1301: Introduction to Sociology from Social/Behavioral Sciences
- Add SRGT 2130: Professional Readiness to Major Course Requirements
- Add HECO 1322: Principles of Nutrition to Related Course Requirements
- Delete the 3 hours of Electives
- Reduce the total semester hours from 63 to 62 Semester Hours

Austin moved, seconded by Wyckoff to approve the changes to the Surgical Technology AAS degree. The motion carried.

### **ADMISSIONS**

Austin and Brice submitted a request to update the Amarillo College Admission Policy to reflect current admission practices. Johnson suggested changes in the wording regarding developmental coursework and remediation.

Jackman moved, seconded by Wyckoff to accept the updated Admission Policy with recommended changes. The motion carried

### **MULTIPLE DEGREES**

Norman initiated discussion with the Committee regarding the current AC policy restricting students to only one AS and one AA degree. AC is very conservative in awarding multiple degrees. Many universities now accept more than 66 semester hours in transfer from a community college. AC students have the potential to earn significant number of hours in addition to the completion of an AS degree and have the coursework transfer toward a baccalaureate degree. There may be financial aid implications.

Austin, Brice, Norman, Gray, Buse and Hernandez will schedule a meeting prior to the next Academic Affairs meeting to discuss the possibility of changing the policy regarding the number of AA and AS degrees awarded.