

**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**  
**November 18, 2005**

**Members**

**Present:** Paul Matney, Bob Austin, Diane Brice, Judy Johnson, Michael Kopenits, Bob Lee, Mary Clare Munger, Jim Powell, Rathna Prabakar, Bob Sloger, John Smoot, and Vicky Taylor-Gore and Mark Usnick

**Members**

**Absent:** Mike Bellah, Toni Brasher, and Lyndi Shadbolt

**ALLIED HEALTH DIVISION**

**Respiratory Care**

Request was to bring the following courses into compliance with WECM guidelines and not exceed 128 contact hours.

- RSPT 1410 from 3 lec, 6 lab to 3 lec, **5 lab** (144 contact hours to 128)
- RSPT 1411 from 3 lec, 6 lab to 3 lec, **5 lab** (144 contact hours to 128)

Powell moved, seconded by Sloger to approve the request as submitted. The motion carried.

**Emergency Medical Services Professions**

Request was to bring the following courses into compliance with WECM guidelines.

- EMSP 2444 - change course description
- EMSP 2135 – change from (1 lec, 1 lab) to **(1 lec)**
- EMSP 1147 - change from (1 lec, 1 lab) to **(1 lec)**
- EMSP 1149 – change from (1 lec, 1 lab) to **(1 lec)**
- EMSP 2332 – delete (Will be taught as special topics)

Munger moved, seconded by Austin, to approve the requests as submitted. The motion carried.

**Pharmacy Technology**

The request was to:

- Add PHRA 1143: Pharmacy Technician Certification Review to the course offerings and as a requirement to the Pharmacy Technology Certificate.

It will be the capstone course for the program.

Kopenits moved, seconded by Prabakar, to approve the request as submitted. The motion carried.

## **SCIENCES AND ENGINEERING DIVISION**

### **Pre-Physicians Assistant Associate of Science degree**

The request was to add a Pre-Physicians Assistant Associate of Science degree. Prabakar had been briefed by Judy Jackman who had been involved in the development of the curriculum. Physicians Assistant is a popular, fast growing field. The required courses are transferable and already exist.

Austin noted that the program is very similar to the current Biology degree which other pre-medical programs follow. It was questioned whether listing a specific program would be misleading to students. Completing such a program at Amarillo College would in no way insure admittance to a physicians assistant program. Johnson suggested that the option be added to those currently following the Biology degree.

Austin moved, seconded by Munger, to not approve the addition of the separate program but suggest the option of adding it to the Biology listings. The motion carried.