

**AMARILLO COLLEGE**

**ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING FACULTY COMMITTEE MINUTES  
ADN MEETING**

DATE: November 28, 2006

TIME & PLACE: 1:30 p.m. - West Campus Room 108

ATTENDANCE: Present: Jan Cannon, Sandy Fricks, Marcia Green, D'dee Grove, Paul Hogue, Rhonda Howard, Michelle James, Marianne Jones, Marjeanne Moore, Sheryl Mueller, Pat Murray, Richard Pullen, Kathy Reed, Lyndi Shadbolt, Delores Thompson Ruth Whitehead, Kim Wright and Khristi McKelvy.

AGENDA: See Attached

MINUTES:

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/RATIONALE	ACTION/RECOMMENDATION
<b>CALL TO ORDER AWARDS FOR GRADUATING CLASS</b>	<b>1. Opening Business</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Mueller called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.</li> <li>Awards for December 2006: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Honor Graduate: Melody Malouf G.P. A. 3.82</li> <li>Outstanding Major: Micah Campbell</li> <li>Clinical Awards: Glo Freese</li> <li>Leona Talbott</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>PINNING CEREMONY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Mueller and Ms. Cannon presented a request to the committee from a graduate to have a special friend who is an RN pin her at the ceremony instead of a faculty member.</li> <li>Ms. Cannon reported planning for the ceremony is progressing well. The following faculty members are assisting with the preparations for the ceremony: Rhonda Howard, Delores Thompson, Marcia Green, Marianne Jones and Ruth Whitehead.</li> <li>Ms. Mueller wished Michelle James well as she has her surgery on November 30<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>	After discussion, the committee decided to continue with only family members who are RN's to pin the graduates.
<b>STRATEGIES FOR INCREASING STUDENT COMPLETION RATES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Mueller provided a presentation on the Strategies for Increasing Student Completion Rates in Initial RN Licensure Programs: Highlights of the Report to the Texas Legislature by the THECB Task Force to Increase RN Graduates in Texas. See attached power point slides for details.</li> <li>Ms. Mueller also reviewed grade point distributions for the individual A.D.N. courses as compared to the college-wide and division grade point distributions. See attached table.</li> <li>At the conclusion of the presentation, faculty members discussed some ways to promote student success and potentially increase program graduation rates.</li> </ul>	<p>Some of the strategies discussed included:</p> <p>Enhance program admission criteria by adding an admission exam to the points system; continue to evaluate all aspects of the teaching/learning experience throughout the program; add a clinical component to the Transition to Nursing</p>

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<b>LSRN USE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Mueller brought before the committee a request by Marianne Jones to use LSRN exams as a small part of the course grade in RNSG 1247.</li> </ul>	<p>Practice course; and evaluate the use of concept mapping and care planning in the program.</p> <p>Faculty discussed the pros and cons of using LSRN exam scores as a portion of course grades. The decision was to support Ms. Jones utilizing some LSRN exam scores as part of the course grade in RNSG 1247 next semester.</p>
<b>2. ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING REPORTS</b>	<p><b>2. ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING REPORTS</b></p> <p><b><u>2.1 Level I - M. Moore</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>RNSG 1331/RNSG 1362</b> 77 students currently enrolled with 9 students not passing before final exam.</li> <li><b>Intro to Nursing</b> 72 students currently enrolled with 9 not passing.</li> <li><b>Pharmacology 1301</b> 79 students currently enrolled with 4 or 5 not passing.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>2.2 Level II- S. Fricks</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>M/S RNSG 1248/RNSG 1263</b> 49 students enrolled with 5 not passing.</li> <li><b>OB RNSG 1251/RNSG 1260-</b> 47 students enrolled with 5 not passing.</li> <li><b>Transition- RNSG 2307</b> 26 students enrolled with 1 not passing.</li> <li><b>RNSG 1115 (Wednesday Section) Paul Hogue</b> Section complete.</li> <li><b>RNSG 1115 (Web Section) Richard Pullen</b> Section complete.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>2.3 Level III – R. Pullen</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>RNSG 2201/2260 Care of Children &amp; Families-</b> 59 students currently enrolled with 9 not passing.</li> <li><b>RNSG 2213/2161 Mental Health</b> 62 students currently enrolled with 11 not passing.</li> <li><b>RNSG 1248/2261 Concepts of Clinical Decision Making II</b> 53 students currently enrolled with 7 not passing.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>2.4 Level IV – K. Reed</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>RNSG 2231/2262 –Advanced Concepts of Clinical Decision Making</b> 70 students currently enrolled with 11 not passing going into the 3<sup>rd</sup> module exam.</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>RNSG 2221/2263 – Management of Client Care</b> 69 students currently enrolled with 6 not passing after the 3<sup>rd</sup> module exam.</li> <li>▪ <b>RNSG 1110/2163 – Intro. to Community Based Nursing</b> 51 students currently enrolled with all passing.</li> </ul>	
<b>3. ADN COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<p><b>3.ADN COMMITTEE REPORTS</b></p> <p><b>3.1 Admission/Progression – M. Moore</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The committee will meet on December 8<sup>th</sup>. To date, there are 19 letters to review along with the progression of currently enrolled students.</li> </ul> <p><b>3.2 Curriculum – J. Cannon</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The committee met on November 21<sup>st</sup>. The committee discussed the overlapping content of some of the med-surg courses. Attached is the recommendation to implement changes in the med-surg course content sequencing over the next several semesters.</li> </ul> <p><b>3.3 Research and Program Effectiveness – D. Grove</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The committee meets on November 29<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>▪ Ms. Grove stated that the Level IV faculty group is piloting an on-line student evaluation process.</li> </ul>	A motion to approve these changes was presented from Curriculum Committee. These changes were unanimously approved by the faculty.
<b>4. ADDITIONAL ITEMS</b> Nursing Resource Center  Learning Resource Committee	<p><b>4. ADDITIONAL ITEMS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ms. Whitehead introduced Khristi McKelvy as the new NRC Supervisor.</li> <li>▪ Ms. Whitehead reported that the SimMan is officially up and running.</li> <li>▪ She also reported there will be a master calendar for the NRC that will be posted on the MyAC website.</li> <li>▪ Ms. Whitehead reported that the Learning Resource Committee is looking at the Nursing Supply Kit to determine if some crucial items need to be added.</li> </ul>	
<b>12. ADJOURNMENT</b>	<p><b>12. ADJOURNMENT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.</li> </ul>	

Jeanetta Smiley, Recording Secretary

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