

**DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Minutes – December 2, 2004 @ 12:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Coury, Gail Tipton, Tamera Baskett, Kim Roten, Dr. Woodburn, Janice Snyder, Erica Sinks.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dr. Duncan, Dr. Carr, Dr. Harrison, Robin Herring.

EX-OFFICIO'S PRESENT: Donna Cleere, Bill Crawford, Dr. Byrd, Jane McFarland, Jnita Collins, Dr. Henderson, Lynette Hayhurst, Karen Lester, Susan McClure.

1. Welcome – Cleere welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. Minutes – The minutes of the April 2, 2004, were approved as written.
3. Allied Health & Nursing Counselor – McClure reported that there are 10,576 students currently enrolled at Amarillo College. There are 184 declared dental hygiene majors and 60 are new students.
4. Continuing Health Care Education – Doiron reported on a couple of workshops and dental hygiene faculty development activities that will take place in the spring semester.
5. Student Representative – Sinks reported that the students will take the WREB, April 24-25, 2005. She also talked about their mission trip to Nicaragua (Collins showed a video tape of the trip).
6. Old Business – Cleere gave everyone a copy of the site visit report from the ADA to look over at their leisure. The site team recommended that the program replace the dental hygiene stools with comfortable adjustable chairs, and dust collection equipment, which was bought during the summer.
7. Program Director's Report – Cleere reported there are 29 freshmen (lost one to personal problems), and 28 sophomore students in the program. The sophomores will take their WREB in Dallas. There were 80 applications for the program, 70 were qualified applicants, and 30 were accepted. Mock boards went without a hitch, and Cleere thanked everyone for their help and support. Dr. Madeline Borecki is working in the clinic part-time and her help is very much appreciated. All the students passed their clinical boards, one failed the national board. It is required that to pass, the student must score a 75, instead of a 70.

8. First Year Students – Collins reported that freshmen are doing very well and will see their first patient in February.
9. Second Year Students – McFarland reported that the sophomores are doing well too.
10. Other Business
 - A. Community Dental – Lester reported that the students are very involved with nursing homes, daycares, Head Start Programs, and have currently went to the Panhandle Assistant Center (PAC) for abused children that have been taken out their home. Lester has called on some of the area dentists for their support.
 - B. Dental Programs Scholarships – Cleere asked the community dentists and others if interested in helping students with tuition and books to call the Amarillo College Foundation, donations are welcome!
 - C. Mass Disaster Response – Dr. Henderson and Jnita Collins are taking the Mass Disaster Response course that is offered at Amarillo College through Texas Tech Health Science Center out of San Antonio. The dental program has been involved in writing the Oral Pathology portion of the modules. Dr. Henderson gave the committee a quick overview of the modules on the overhead projector.
11. Proposed Program – The dental program is investigating the idea of starting a new program: Dental Lab Technician. The committee agreed that further studies should be done to see if there is a need for the program. Crawford reported that currently there are two programs offered in the state, one in Houston and one in San Antonio.
12. Adjournment – Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes were written and submitted by Kim Lacey, Administrative Assistant.
