

MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY – ADVISORY MEETING

MINUTES

FRIDAY, May 2, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dale Rollins – Chairperson (Thomas E. Creek VA) Kim Leggett (Amarillo Diagnostic Clinic) Judy Massie (Higher Education Representative) Mike Black (Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital) Robynn Kelley (Student Representative) Denise Marnell (Hereford Regional Hospital) Cherie Hayes (Northwest Texas Hospital) Linda Bush (Physician's Preferred Laboratory) Zela Young (Moore County Hospital) Drew Payne (Coffee Memorial Hospital) Cynthia Pratt (Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital)

EX-OFFICIO'S PRESENT: Jan Martin-Director (MLT Program) Kim Boyd-Education Director (MLT Program) Dr. Matney – Vice President, Dean of Instruction, Bill Crawford – Division Chair, Kim Crowley – Continuing Health Care Education, Cherie Clifton-Advising & Counseling.

1. Welcome – Mr. Rollins, Chairperson, welcomed everyone to the meeting following the luncheon.
2. Introductions – Introductions were made around the table.
3. Continuing Health care Education – Ms. Crowley reported that Pilar Suarez, Director of Continuing Health Care Education has resigned and will be moving to Seattle, WA, with her family. Currently there are 7 students enrolled on the online Phlebotomy course.
4. Allied Health Advisor/Counselor – Ms. Clifton reported that summer and fall registration has started and is going strong. Ms. Boyd and Ms. Martin said that they are very grateful for Ms. Clifton's help in advising their students.
5. Student Representative Report – Ms. Kelley reported that the students raised \$1600 for their pinning ceremony by selling breakfast burrito's, and coupon books. The pinning ceremony will be July 3rd and all advisory members will receive an invitation. Ms. Kelley thanked the clinical supervisors and the MLT instructors for all their help over the last two years. Ms. Martin added that Ms. Kelley is this years' Outstanding Major, Honor Society Member, MLT Club President, and has done an excellent job incorporating great interaction between the sophomore and freshmen students.
6. Director's Report – Ms. Martin reported that NAACLS granted the program full accreditation and the next site visit will be 2014. The online program between South Plains and Amarillo College is coming along very well. Deanna Harville, part-time laboratory instructor, at South Plains is doing an excellent job and the students really seem to like her. The lab will be moving from Levelland to Lubbock's Reese Air Force Base. The full-time lab position for the online program was added to next year's budget and Dr. Matney is optimistic that it will go through. Dr. Matney and Mr. Crawford stated that Ms. Martin and Ms. Boyd have done an excellent job

with this online program and in the past two years have basically worked two full-time jobs.

7. Faculty/Clinic Coordinator Report – Ms. Boyd reported that there will be 12 students graduating this year, and there are 12 freshmen. Eleven students are signed up for the fall semester, and she still has 3 interviews to do. Ms. Boyd said that it is hard to place students in Blood Banking clinical. She will be teaching the Blood Bank portion of the curriculum for 10 days in-house, also a couple of clinic supervisors have offered to come in and help teach. Ms. Boyd is hoping to add clinic sites in Lubbock, TX.
8. Other Business – Ms. Pratt stated that a general Microbiology course would be beneficial to the students if it was added as a prerequisite to the program. Ms. Boyd said that the Microbiology course that is currently taught at the Washington Campus does not cover what needs to be addressed in the program. Ms. Pratt said that BSA is a smoke-free hospital. However, a few of the students have come to clinic smelling like smoke. She has addressed this situation with Ms. Boyd already, but wanted to reiterate the issue.
9. Adjournment - Being that there was no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

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