

**MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

MINUTES

April 17, 2002

MEMBERS PRESENT: Judy Massie, Director of Medical Data Specialist Program, Linda Stanhope, Director of AACAL, Tom Birkbeck, Director of the Laboratory - BSA Hospital, Gwendolyn Smith, Phlebotomist - VA Hospital, Annita Williams, Student Representative.

EX-OFFICIO'S PRESENT: Jan Bohachef - Director MLT Program, Jennifer Sargent - Instructor MLT Program, Bill Crawford - Division Chair, Allied Health, Marianne Jones - West Campus Counselor.

Call to Order - Ms. Massie, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m., following the luncheon.

1. Introductions - Each person present introduced themselves, and the sites/positions they represent.
2. Minutes - The April 30, 2001, minutes were approved as written with no corrections.
3. Counseling Center - Ms. Jones reported that Sneak Peek will be held Friday, April 19, 2002, at the Washington Campus. The new software "Colleague" will allow students to do WEB Advising, hopefully by the fall semester.
4. Continuing Health Care Education - Mr. Doiron was absent. Kim Lacey gave everyone a Winter/ Spring Catalog of the upcoming workshops. If anyone is interested, they may call Jeff at 354-6085.
5. Old Business
 - A. Education - Ms. Sargent is working on her Bachelor's Degree through Weber State. Ms. Bohachef is working on her Master's Degree through Wayland. She was also nominated in 2001 and 2002 for Who's Who in Medicine and Healthcare, Selected for 2002 Who's Who Among America's Teachers, and received rank and tenure as Assistant Professor. Both, Bohachef and Sargent attended the 2002 Clinical Laboratory Educator's Conference in Hawaii.
 - B. Reviews - The Southern Association for Colleges and Schools

(SACS) took place this year. The Allied Health Self -Study Peer Review is taking place right now. It's been a busy, busy year!

6. New Business

- A. Current Program Status - Ms. Sargent reported that Blood Banking is being taught in-house this year due to the loss of a clinical site. She is currently working on getting Northwest Texas Hospital as a clinical site, along with Childress Hospital and Hereford Hospital. The program lost the VA Hospital as a clinical site.
- B. Students - There are currently eight freshmen and 13 sophomores in the program. Ms. Sargent has received seven applications for the fall semester and hope to receive many more.
- C. Honors Convocation- Honors Convocation will be Sunday, April 21, at the Civic Center.
- D. Graduation - Graduation Ceremony for the MLT students will be held Friday, May 10, at 7:00 p.m., at the Civic Center. Everyone is welcome to attend as there is open seating. The students will not actually graduate from the program until this summer, however, they do participate in the graduation ceremonies in May.
- E. Current Events in the MLT Program/ Allied Health - Ms. Sargent reported that Sneak Peek will be held Friday, April 19, at the Washington Campus and the program will have a booth set up.
- F. CLEC Conference - At the conference most of the topics discussed were concerns of the nationwide laboratory shortage. Ms. Bohachef gave everyone handouts pertaining to the shortage to look over at their leisure. Ms. Stanhope, Director of AACAL, said that when high school students find out the salaries of MLT graduates compared to Radiology Techs and other Allied Health Professionals, they will choose the program that has the higher salary.
- G. Equipment - Ms. Sargent reported that the program is quite fortunate to receive donations from clinical sites such as VA, BSA, Texas Tech, Coffee Memorial, and Dan C. Trigg Hospital. Donations are very much appreciated.

7. Report from Student Representative - Ms. Annita Williams reported that last fall the students raised money by selling candles and were able to make enough money to pay for their Pinning Ceremony and pins. This month the students will be participating in Sneak Peek and Wellness Day. A student & faculty softball tournament is scheduled for next Sunday at Thompson Park at 2:00, and everyone is invited to come out and watch the game.
8. Other Business - Mr. Birkbeck reported that the lab at BSA hired two of last years graduates and they are working out very well.
9. Adjournment - Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Minutes were written and submitted by Kim Lacey, Administrative Assistant, on April 17, 2002.
