AMARILLO COLLEGE

NURSING DIVISION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

DATE: April 18, 2007

TIME & PLACE: 3:00 p.m., West Campus Building A, Room 108

ATTENDANCE: Members Present: Lisa Herndon, Lisa Hicks--BAPTIST ST. ANTHONY'S HEALTH SYSTEM; Heather Blackwell, Iliana Arredondo-CRAIG METHODIST; Patrice McLain –

WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, Jeanette Wilburn – Veteran's Administration, Bonnie McMillan – Ensign Law Firm; Jimmy Tak - F.B.C; Louis Anderson - Northwest Texas Healthcare System; Kim Sims - Bushland Elementary School Nurse; Tammy Tabor -

Triumph Hospital

Ex-Officio Members Present: Sheryl Mueller--AC Nursing Division Chair; LaVon Barrett

- Vocational Nursing Program Coordinator; Karen Russell-Panhandle Geriatric

Education Program Coordinator; Jennifer Arp – Nursing the Numbers Grant manager, Jeanetta Smiley--AC Administrative Assistant, Nursing Division; Karla Dixon – Level I Coordinator; Tamara Rhodes – Level I Instructor; LeeAnn Laney – Level II Instructor;

Robyn Ferrell – Vocational Nursing Staff Assistant

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TOPIC	DISCUSSION (RATIONALE)	ACTION/ RECOMMENDATIONS
Welcome & Introductions Bonnie McMillan	 Ms. McMillan welcomed everyone and asked everyone to introduce themselves. 	
Panhandle Geriatric Education Program- Karen Russell	 Ms. Russell reported the status of the Geriatric Education Program. The Grant is offering free continuing education courses. For understanding Geriatrics the courses are: Principles of Elder care and Advance Principles of Elder care. The Grant has held 152 activities at 78 locations, 585 attended. From 2002 to 2006, "Geriatrics on the Go" providing both geriatric clinical rotations for level 4 nursing students = 3288 hrs and also an Introduction to community based nursing with 411 students participating. The fair traveled to Claude, Stratford, Dumas, and Vega. 302 residents attended. The totals for the program are as follows: Programs 274 – Locations 201 – Nursing Students 418 – Total Attendance 9533. Additional Activities include: Program Presentations, Public Health Fairs, Staff Trainings, and Creating of the panhandle Geriatrics Resource Guide. See attached PowerPoint for details. 	
Nursing the Numbers Jennifer Arp Faculty Recruitment	 Ms. Arp gave an update on the Nursing the Numbers Grant. Co-Project Directors are: Sheryl Muller and Richard Pullen. The Grant attended a Student Success Conference in Houston TX, April 13-15, 2007. Ms Arp reported on MSN candidate resigned from the Grant program in Dec 2006 due to job relocation. Effective Spring 07, all candidates are enrolled in graduate level courses. An update of the Grant, SSC in Houston was first of three dissemination opportunities for the Co-Project Directors. In September 07: NLN conference will be held in Phoenix AZ. November 07: N-OADN conference will be held in Las 	

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Student Retention	 Student Retention portion of the Grant update is as follows: Pharmacology Care Groups, finished their third semester. Nursing Success Bootcamp, Spring 07 bootcamp held on Jan 10 & 11, 2007. Supplemental Instruction is now in both Level 1 ADN courses, Pharmacology and Clinical Decision Making. See attached PowerPoint for details. 	
VN Program Report LaVon Barrett	 Mrs. Barrett gave an update on the Vocational Nursing Department. LVN Faculty include: Karla Dixon and Tamara Rhodes, Level I. Sarah Williamson and LeeAnn Laney, Level II. Part time instructors include: Olga Rodriguez, Rene Haley, Cindy Daniel, Jennifer Lovett, and Rosemarie Masetta. See attached PowerPoint for details. 	
Guest Speakers	Two former LVN students spoke about their participation in the LVN program, where they are working at now in the LVN field, and how Amarillo College's LVN program prepared them for their nursing careers today. The Guest Speakers were: Kim Sims, LVN, School Nurse, Bushland Elementary and Tammy Tabor, LVN, Staff Nurse, Triumph Hospital.	
ADN Program Report Sheryl Mueller	 Ms. Mueller then gave a Power Point presentation on the status of the ADN program: The Associate Degree Nursing program application process closes at 5:00pm on May 2, 2007. Advising Sessions have had an attendance of 229 students. One session still remains. The program plans to admit 83 generic students, with 30 students though the LVN to RN AP option. HESI Admission Assessment Exam was presented, new to the ADN program. Purpose: to ensure applicants most likely to succeed are admitted to program and to provide information to students and program about additional academic support. Three hour computerized exam, cost is \$25. 60-65 students will graduate in May 07. The pinning ceremony will be held May 10 at Oasis Southwest Baptist Church. Current Enrollment for the ADN program on 4-6-07, 417 majors enrolled in at least one nursing course. 1180 declared majors not yet in courses. Faculty Status 19 full-time faculty members, 1 part time faculty member working on an emergency BNE waiver, and 11 part time clinical teaching assistants. The Summer Courses are as follows: Level II – Health Assessment, All Level III Courses – Mental Health Nursing, Concepts of Clinical Decision Making, care of Children and Families, Level IV – Introduction to Community Based Nursing. BNE Proposed a Statewide plan – to provide a comprehensive, outcome-based plan to create innovative models to increase RN graduates. Overall goal: to increase number of graduates by 45.5% over 2006 numbers. BNE and THECB will require professional nursing 	

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	education programs to submit a 3-phase plan. The phases include: Phase 1 – initiatives to increase student and faculty retention. Phase 2 – initiatives to test previous educational models. Phase 3 - initiatives to develop and test new models for nursing education. • See attached PowerPoint for details.	
Old Business	There was no old business to discuss.	
New Business & Discussion	 Ms. Mueller opened the floor for discussion. The next meeting will be called during the fall 2007 semester. 	
Adjournment	■ The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm.	

Sheryl Mueller, Nursing Division Chair	
Jeanetta Smilev and Robyn Ferrell, Record	ing Secretary