

AMARILLO COLLEGE

PHARMACY TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

DATE: December 4, 2001

TIME & PLACE: 12:00 pm., WC Conference Room 105

ATTENDANCE: *Present:* Lyndi Shadbolt, Coordinator, AC Pharmacy Tech Program, Janice Landon-BSA, Lori Henke-BSA, Chad Simpson-BSA,

EX-OFFICIO: Sue McGee, Division Chair, Nursing
 Frances Abernathy, (*Alternate for Marianne Jones, Amarillo College Counseling Center*)
 Jeff Doiron, Director, Cont. Health Care

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TOPIC	DISCUSSION (RATIONALE)	ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS
CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME	Call to order & welcome by Chairman, Lori Henke.	
INTRODUCTIONS	Members & site representatives introduced themselves.	
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Minutes from the November 9,2000.	A motion was made & seconded to approve the minutes as written of the November 9, 2000 meeting.
ELECTION OF 2001-02 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON	Janice Landon was re-nominated as the new Chairperson.	The vote was unanimous to elect Janice Landon as the 2001-02 committee chairperson.
REPORTS	<p><u>Counseling Center –</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Marianne Jones reported that she had just recently talked to several prospective Pharm. Tech students ▪ Lyndi Shadbolt displayed the information packet that is sent out to prospective students. ▪ Sue McGee explained that packets are sent out by START Center ▪ Lori Henke reported that the average salary is \$7-10/hr <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ She commented that the training received at AC is very valuable, but that the salaries are inadequate. ▪ Marianne asked if students can be hired directly into hospital setting after training. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lori replied that they could & that 3-4 graduate have already been hired at area hospitals. <p><u>Continuing Health Care Education</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jeff Doiron gave a brief overview of upcoming events being given by the Center for Continuing Healthcare ▪ He mentioned that the Cont. Health Care Education dept. has approximately 70 programs per year ▪ Lori reported that there were some ACPE approved CEU credits available online. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jeff said there are CEU's available in the CCHE that may be useful for Pharm Tech students. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ He also offered that if there is a need for CCHE to provide specific classes for CEU credit, they can. ▪ Jeff announced that there was a pharmaceutical company in town conducting a seminar next week for Pharmacy Technicians. 	
PROGRAM INFORMATION	<p><u>Spring 2001 Graduate Stats</u> 16 – 17 expected graduates</p> <p><u>Current Enrollment</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 46 majors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 16-17 going to clinicals ▪ There is a limit of 25 for clinical ▪ Lyndi reported that students do not have to complete the program in order to take the exam. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Also anyone can sit for the exam without taking any courses at all. ▪ Cost of the exam is \$100. ▪ 100 students took exam at AC at last sitting. ▪ The state of Texas requires that all pharmacy technician must become certified within a certain time period after being hired. <p><u>Curriculum</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sue McGee brought up a discussion of the length of the program compared to a local career academy program ▪ No math or medical terminology required at this academy. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Some students are questioning if there is a need for math or med. term. ▪ Lori felt that 96 hours of medical terminology was excessive. ▪ There was discussion of med. term online being an option. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lyndi will investigate this. ▪ Jeff offered that there is also a Cont. Ed. med. term. course available. ▪ Students can test out of Computer Concepts. 	
OLD BUSINESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No old business. 	
NEW BUSINESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lyndi reported that new clinical sites were being developed in Dumas. 	
ADJOURNMENT	Ms. McGee & Ms. Shadbolt thanked everyone for their attendance.	The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Phyllis Ferguson, Recording Secretary

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