

RADIOLOGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
March 23, 2007 @ 7:30 A.M.
Allied Health Building 162

PRESENT: Helena Leonard – Chairperson, Kim LaFaver, Tiana Brown, Dr. Bickers, Bruce Jones, Julie Evenson, Mandy Bingham, Koury Snider, Jodi Birch, Bridgette Breechen, Leta Carroll, Claudia Smith.

EX-OFFICIO'S PRESENT: Bill Crawford, Becky Burton, Dr. Matney, Ken Woody, Barbara Gray

1. Introductions – Leonard welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. Minutes – The minutes from the 2/10/06 meeting were approved as written.
3. Continuing Health Care Education – Absent
4. Old Business – Nothing to report
5. Member & Affiliate Reports
 - A. Medical Director Report – Dr. Bickers stated that she's very pleased with the students and would like to encourage them to ask questions.
 - B. Allergy Arts Clinic – The caliber of students this year is outstanding. The students are intelligent and jump in do what they need to do.
 - C. Amarillo Bone & Joint – Absent
 - D. Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital – Students are doing very well and are willing to learn.
 - E. Dr. Garvish Office – Absent
 - F. Dr's. McKay & Fraizer's Office – Some students are doing very well, others seem to struggle. Some seem intimidated by the darkroom and are using the technique chart a lot.
 - G. Golden Plains Hospital – Students are self motivators and are doing very well this year.
 - H. Hereford Regional Hospital – Students jump right in and do their work, they are self motivators. The radiology department now has a CR and a PAC system!
 - I. Moore County Hospital – normally they get first year students and have not had any at their facility yet.
 - J. Northwest Texas Hospital – Students are doing well!
 - K. Pampa Regional Hospital – Absent
 - L. VA Hospital – Students are doing very well. Birch mentioned to the committee that there seems to be some confusion regarding the student's pre-comps in some of the other clinical sites and she feels that there should be more consistency among the clinic sites. Burton gave everyone a copy of the memo that shows the guidelines that should help clarify what is or is not a pre-comp. See attached memo w/guidelines.
7. Student Representative Report – Snider reported that the freshmen students are not happy with the first semester rotation. Leonard added that this rotation seems to be working well because everyone around the table said that the freshmen students were doing very well because of that rotation. The students would like to add their "driving" time to their clinic hours. Burton addressed the issue by saying that according to accreditation standards the students have to have a certain amount of hours in clinic and it does not include driving time. The students never get to see a c-arm until they actually get into their surgery rotation and would like to see one beforehand. Burton would like to go to the facilities, if it's okay with the facilities and take pictures of a C-arm and other equipment and show the slides to the students. They all agreed that was a good idea and that it was okay for Burton to take pictures.
8. Ex-Officio Member Reports
 - A. Bill Crawford – Crawford thanked the committee members for all their support. Currently, there are 28 freshmen, and 2 have quit the program due to personal reason. There are 23 sophomores and 7 have left, 3 for personal reasons and 4 for clinical reasons. There are 4 returning students. The program cap is 30 students per year. There were 25 graduates last year and are expected to graduate 23 this year + 4 repeat students. Crawford gave everyone a copy of the ARRT certification 5-year summary report. Over the last five years 89.8% have passed the AART certification exam. See attached. Crawford gave everyone

a copy of the Program 2006-2007 Mission and Goals statement to read over. In the Student Handbook there is a section about professionalism. Crawford made a copy of that section and gave it to the committee members to read. Crawford went over the JRCERT repeat policy with the committee members, and stated that Burton will go over these policies again. The JRCERT site visit will be done sometime in December, and Crawford will notify the committee members of the exact date when he receives the notification letter from JRCERT. Crawford gave the committee the programs website address: www.actx.edu/radiography to look over at their leisure.

- B. Becky Burton - Burton gave everyone a copy of the Standard Eight: Radiation Safety policies. Burton discussed the following Standard 8.5: Assures that medical imaging procedures are performed under the direct supervision of a qualified practitioner until a radiography student achieves competency; Standard 8.7: Assures that radiography students repeating unsatisfactory radiographs are under the direct supervision of a qualified practitioner. Again, Burton addressed the concern of the VA hospital regarding pre-comps. Burton gave everyone a copy of a memo that was sent out to the clinical sites, Cl's, and students. The jest of the memo was to clarify the new competency cards for the freshmen and guidelines on pre-comps. Burton also mentioned that there will be new evaluation form and those forms will be implemented in the fall semester. The issue of markers was discussed, and Burton thought that it would be nice for the students to have two sets of markers, one clip-on marker, and one low & high KVP marker.
 - C. Ken Woody – Woody said that he does not stress the marker placement in the lab, because each facility does it a different way, however, he will stress the fact that the markers need to be in the film area. Film handling is still taught in the school lab, even though few places still handle film. The registry emphasizes skulls, and students spend a ½ semester in the lab learning about skulls because they normally don't get to learn about skills in the clinical sites.
 - D. Barbara Gray - Gray thanked everyone for all their support of the program and for allowing the students to do their rotations at their facility. The Radiology Symposium last year had a good turn out - there were 130 people in attendance. This year the symposium will be held the first weekend in November, and it will be a day and a half, with topics such as Radiation Protection, CT's, Nuclear Medicine and Mammograms.
9. New Business – The question was asked how the job market is in Amarillo. Crawford replied that the job market is low in Amarillo, but nationwide there is a shortage of technicians. Burton also added that there is a change on the registry called Simulated Judgement Testing (SJT) which is lots of critical thinking and problem solving skill questions.
10. Adjournment – Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 A.M.

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