

RESPIRATORY CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES - 4/22/10

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rick Barron – Chairperson, Sam Gutierrez, Lisa Eaves, Alan Sissel, Melissa Bundy, Ruby Delacruz

MEMBER-AT-LARGE: Noma Burr for Nancy Altwwager

EX-OFFICIO'S PRESENT: Valerie Hansen, Neil Allen, Becky Byrd, Bill Crawford

1. Welcome – Barron welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made around the table.
2. Minutes – The minutes of the April 30, 2009, meeting were approved as written.
3. Continuing Health Care Education – Absent
4. Advising & Counseling – Cherie Clifton was unable to attend the meeting – Crawford spoke for Clifton saying that summer and fall student enrollment are up considerably from last year, which was a record enrollment. Commencement is May 14 at the Civic Center.
5. Student Representative – Delacruz reported that the students would like to increase the rotation at Triumph Hospital in the Long Term Acute Care (LTAC) area.
6. Director's Report

Goals and objectives were given to all members to read and approve. *Barron made a motion to accept the goals and objectives as written, seconded by Sledge, and unanimously approved by all other voting committee members.*

A copy of the NBRC Summary Graduate Performance was given to the members to look at. Also, a copy of the Planning and Evaluation Tracking report (PET) to read.

Currently there are 13 freshmen, and 12 sophomores, in the program. There are also a couple of students that are on the three year track. To date there are many applications for the fall semester and Hansen does not see a problem filling the class.

Hansen gave everyone a copy of the CoARC standards which will take effect June 1, 2010. One big change is that this will be the last year students can take the exam before

they graduate. The new standard will be that students must first graduate from the program, and then are eligible to take the exam.

The employer's survey required by CoARC was handed out at the meeting as well as the program's personnel resource survey.

Hansen and Crawford have met with the architects, and hopefully renovations and some expansion on the lab area will start in the fall.

7. Faculty Report

Allen reported that the rotations in Dr. Nolan's office are going well. Students are also doing a rotation in equipment service area at BSA. The freshmen are doing eight hours a week in clinic and it seems to be going well. Also, the students are doing rotations at the BSA Sleep Lab and that is going very well. As mentioned last year the students are no longer doing clinic at Amarillo Diagnostic Clinic. Also, students will no longer be doing arms sticks on each other in lab due to liability issues (they will use a fake arm). Also, total hours of clinic for each student in the program are 960 hours (600-1000 hours required).

Byrd reported that the students will no longer be doing rotations in NICU. Her thought was for students to experience NICU, as well as the Newborn area, but it seems that the students were not well received in NICU.

8. Affiliation Reports

Barron reported for Nwth and everything is going well. He added that they will be getting eight new ventilators for the department.

Sledge reported for Triumph Hospital and everything is going well.

Sissel had nothing to report for BSA.

Bundy had nothing to report for BSA Sleep Lab.

9. Adjournment – Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Minutes were written and submitted by Kim Lacey, Executive Secretary
