Advisory Committee Minutes

PROGRAM COMMITTEE NAME:		Radiation Therapy								
CH	HAIRPERSON:	Tommie Gress	set							
MEETING DATE:		4-9-2021	MEETING TIME:	MEETING PLACE:	ZOOM					
RE	CORDER:	Janet Barton		PREVIOUS MEETING:	4-20-2020					
				MEMBERS PRESENT						
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AGENDA ITEM	ACTION DISCUSSION INFORMATION	RESPONSIBILITY
Call to Order	Welcome and Introductions	Tommie Gressett
Approval of Minutes	Dale 1 st , Tommie 2 nd	
P.P. S.		
Health Science Advisor Report	Javier – Working on summer and fall registration. Health Sciences application	
	opened January 1 st , will close on May 31 st . Will be visiting with High School	
	Senior in the next couple of weeks. Tony mentioned how much knowledge	
	Javier has to have. Has to know the requirements for all of the Health Sciences	
	programs and also working with the distance students.	
Student Report	Axel Martinez – Axel stated he has had a lot of great opportunities at the clinics	
	especially at Harrington. Getting a whole new perspective on a new machine.	
	No complaints about the program. Able to access material. Happy with the way	
	the classes are structured.	
	Chris Whitmore – No issues with the programit has been great. Chris stated	
	the Amarillo Program was his second choice because he was concerned about	
	taking an online program. This program has been great. Tony and Candy	
	encourage the students to talk to each other. Chris stated he likes that the	
	instructors are only a phone call away. No complaints, proud that his 2 nd choice	
	was the best choice. Tony asked Chris about the job market. Chris stated he has	
	a PT job at Tulane. Offered a FT job at Melbourne Perkins Cancer Center	
	Starting June 14 th as long as he passes his boards.	
Faculty Report	Candy – Candy state been doing a good job fielding questions. Working ahead	
	in the Lab Course. Cover one big topic per week. The YouTube videos seem to	
	be working well. They show step by step of what is being done. Candy stated	
	she forgot to turn the videos off of Public so they started getting a lot of	
	followers. Candy stated from her end everything seems to be going well. Clinics	
	may have a hard time with the pace of learning. Candy mentioned they have a	
	young group of students and they are big into texting and Facebook Group.	
	They lean on each other for help. Candy mentioned she has helped others set	
	up online classes.	
Director's Report	Tony – Tony reviewed Pass Rates, Attrition Rates, and Employment Rate are	
	Registry Exam Pass Rate is over 90% which is a little lower than normal.	
	Graduation Attrition rate is around 75%. When this number falls below 75%,	
	Tony has to send a justification to the accrediting body. Their big concern is	
	when a student doesn't succeed academically. One issue when students drop	
	out is typically they are trying to work too much and go to school. It is very	
	difficult when students try to work 40 hours and then do all of the school	
	work. Chances are they will not be successful. Had a few disciplinary issues this	

year. Haven't had any in the past. Making up clinicals has also been an issue. Candy stated she tell students before they start, that it is not a good idea to work full-time. Tonya the student that she had in clinicals was trying to work full time and got overwhelmed. The student lost weight, and was stressed out about all of the expectations.

Tony – moving on – employment rates 97% success. Tony stated he doesn't have to count students who graduate but don't look for work.

Tony – every year we have to review and approve mission goals for our accrediting body. The program mission and goals statement that are listed on the PowerPoint. If there are any changes or discussion, we will put in the minutes. Motion was made to approve the mission goals. 1st Tonya, 2nd Tommie. All approved.

Tony mentioned he is reviewing applications. He hired Axel as a student worker to help with some of the application process.

Tony also mentioned the videos that Dale has put on YouTube and how helpful they have been to the students. When we had site visitors here a couple of years ago, they mention how impressed they were with the videos and the communication with the students.

Tony also sent an email about the AB meeting and asked for feedback. Received an email from Cary that was very complimentary. Thanked Cary for the comments. Other comments were about the student evaluation of students in the clinical is the same which makes it very hard to evaluate students. Tony and Candy will follow-up on the evaluations. Also there was no time scheduled in the reception area, chemo area or other areas that used to be in the rotation. Talked to Candy and looking at incorporating these areas in the future. It was also mentioned that the school closing due to weather shouldn't affect all students.

Affiliation Reports

Tommie – UMC SW- Tommie mentioned he has one of our students now. Glad to have Joe Arrington back on so we have a place for students to rotate through. The other center in town has a total different brand of linear accelerator so students will get experience on that here in Lubbock. Not sure how students will get dosimetry rotation. Tony interjected those students will get that at JACC clinic. Had planned on taking two students this year but not able. Hopefully will next year. Everything is going well so taking a breather.

Meredith – Harrington Cancer – Meredith stated they just started taking students again after moving into their new bldg. Student – Axel got to experience all the new equipment. Axel is doing well. Tony mentioned it is good to have Meredith back on the Advisory Board. Meredith stated it has been a struggle during COVID but it is nice to have the students back.

Tonya – NMMC – Tonya stated they did not have any students this semester. In

	touch with Tony about getting students for next year. Tony stated he is going to	
	touch on some of the issues they had during COVID.	
	Cary – West Valley Clinics – The student she has worked for West Valley as a	
	therapy assistant. She is doing tremendously well. The student is in her second	
	semester. Cary stated she hasn't seen the student in a while but Jenny gives good	
	reports. Hoping to take more students this year. Cary stated she spoke to Marcus	
	and thinks they are considering him in the Gilbert Clinic which is closer to him.	
	Hopefully can get a couple more students when we are ready.	
	Minnie – Minnie stated she didn't have anything to add. Things everyone is doing	
	are impressive. She hopes she never needs the services.	
	Dale- Clinicals going well. Trying to get clinical hours caught back up. 1 Student	
	didn't ask for make-up. Texas Oncology wants to do a partnerships with schools.	
	2 schools made presentations. Dale stated he talked up AC. The council would	
	like to have more standardized agreements that will go through HR. Texas	
	Oncology is working to have clinical sites identified in West Texas. This would	
	help everyone.	
Dean of Health Sciences	Kim Boyd spoke for Kim Crowley – Kim mentioned the Perkins Grant. This is how	
	most of our programs get the equipment they need to instruct students. Perkins	
	is revamping some and are looking at have larger Advisory Committees. You may	
	have received an invitation to attend a ZOOM Meeting that will be held at the	
	end of April. If you receive an invitation please accept it and attend the meeting.	
	Your input is very important.	
ASSOC Dean of Health Sciences	Kim Boyd – Kim stated there are a couple of new things. One is we are now using	
	Complio for background checks and drug screens instead of American Databank.	
	This is beneficial because the information such as Immunization records will be	
	available to the students for lifetime. They can also upload CPR information if	
	needed. We are also looking at using the HESI testing. Have 3 programs piloting	
	it this semester. Plan to have all health sciences programs on board for the fall.	
	This will be used in the points system for most programs. Using the test could	
	help to see where students might need assistance. We would be able to connect	
	them with a tutor. There are four areas students will test onmath, reading	
	comprehension, A&P and critical thinking. We hope this will give us a broader	
	picture that would enable us to help our students. Students will not have to	
	travel to Amarillo to take the test. It would be available distantly using Proctor	
	U. Tony mentioned a couple of concerns1. Concern about the cost and would	
	that limit the applicants. 2. Tony currently uses an assessment that is a part of	
	his application. It has Technical and computer skills. Kim Boyd stated she	
	understand the concern about the cost, but we are not requiring students to	
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	do the background check and drug screen until they have been accepted so that	

	cuts back on costs some.	
Director of Continuing Healthcare EDI	Melissa Burns – We have been staying busy. Several of our conferences were canceled this past year because they are in person and ZOOM was not really a thing at the beginning of last year. We are working on a ZOOM Platform that would enable us to have virtual conferences. We also have some people who want to start doing in person conferences. We are excited about that. Melissa stated that if Radiation Therapy is interested in a conference they can set it up using zoom.	
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn 1:22 PM	Dale 1 st , Minnie 2nd
Date: 5-18-2021	Executive Secretary Signature: Janet Barton	Next Meeting: Spring 2022

Radiation Therapy ADVISORY BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING Agenda – April 9, 2021

- 1. Welcome and Introduction of all present -
- 2. Approval of Minutes from April 24, 2020 meeting
- 3. Health Sciences Advisor Javier Herrera, Jessica Sanchez
- 4. Affiliation Reports
- a. UMC Southwest Tommie Gressett
- b. Harrington Cancer Center Meredith Yarnold
- c. NMMC Radiation Oncology Tonya Hogan
- d. West Valley Clinics Cary Joffrion
- e. Texas Oncology Dale Barker
- f. Community Representative Minnie Venable
- 5. Student Representatives Axel Martinez, Amarillo

Cris Whitmore, Louisiana

- 6. Continuing Education Melissa Burns
- 7. Associate Dean of Health Sciences Kim Boyd
- 8. Dean of Health Sciences Kim Crowley
- 9. VPAA office
- 10. Perkins Grant Barbara Wahi
- 11. Faculty Report Candy Lara-Habeger
- 12. Director's Report Tony Tackitt