

**MEDICAL RADIOGRAPHY TECHNOLOGY**

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

**Tuesday, January 27, 2015 \* 6:00—8:00 p.m.**

**T-Building, Room 101**

**Members Present:** Diane Buelt, Committee Chair, Legacy Health; Jenny Baker, Vice Chair, Legacy Mt. Hood Medical Center; Cynthia Falkenhagen, RT, Vancouver Radiologists; Debbie Mansell, Legacy Salmon Creek Medical Center; Erik Kilgore, MD, Vancouver Radiologists; Heather Cassavoy, PeaceHealth Southwest; Ian Shupe, Providence Portland; Loyal Betschart, Kaiser Permanente; Don Anderson, Portland Adventist, Cathy Darrah, PeaceHealth St. Johns

**Members Absent:** None

**Clark College:** Debra Ortiz, Director of Allied Health; Jenefer King, MRAD Instructor; Emile Averill, Clinical Coordinator; Blake Bowers, Dean, Business & Health Sciences; Rachele Bakic, Interim Director of Academic Services; Shelley Ostermiller, Associate Director of Advising Services; Brianna Lisenbee, Career Services; Andreana DiGiorgio, Advisory Committee Coordinator

Committee Chair Diane Buelt called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. Debbie Ortiz introduced the new MRAD clinical coordinator, Emile Averill.

After a quick review a motion was made to approve the October 28, 2014 minutes as written. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

**Office of Instruction/Advisory Committee Business**

**Advisory Committee Recognition event** – Rachele Bakic reminded the committee members of the advisory member recognition breakfast to be held March 18, 2015 from 7:30—9: 00 a.m. Regional economist Scott Bailey will be guest speaker and will give an economic report on the state of Washington and also our region. She told the members to be watching for more information and an invitation in the coming weeks.

**Director Report**

**Clinical Online Tracking System**. Debbie Ortiz reported that the new cohort has 17 students. They are looking at a clinical online tracking system designed for radiography. She said this kind of software tracks students’ attendance and progress at their clinical sites and is very secure. Students can log in right at their location. Debbie said this year they are utilizing this fairly inexpensively but for the next cohort the cost will be $150 per student. This fee covers two years. The cost breakdown is $100 per year or $150 for two years. Diane and others were somewhat concerned about the cost to the students. Heather Cassavoy and Cynthia Falkenhagen will help with the first trial runs. Heather had some issues with how it may change workflow.

**Online immunization tracking**. Debbie said there is a tracking service for immunization as well. It costs $20 per year or $35 for lifetime use. The reasons to transition to this system is to track students’ immunizations. Sometimes our Counseling and Health Center is not available for students to get their immunizations updated especially at critical times before the start of the quarter. Diane voiced concern about the fees being imposed on the students. These will begin with the next cohort. Jenny Baker said she thinks the price is right for this system. Debbie added that students will also be able to upload their CPR and health insurance card information. This software will alert when an immunization is due or a certification is coming due.

**Outcomes assessment update**. Debbie said they’ve updated the outcomes from fall. Jenefer King reported that 10 students currently are employed. Debbie said that overall the students are doing well as are the instructors.

**Annual Program Summary Report**. Don Anderson asked if this report correlates with the outcomes. Debbie said that she will go back and check each section. Debbie complimented Jenefer King on great ARRT pass rates. Brianna Lisenbee of Career Services reminded the members of Clark’s online job board. It is free for community businesses to post jobs and it is open not only to Clark students but also the community at large. She said there is a Healthy Workforce grant being used for a specialist to help students with their job search.

**Work Plan**

**Additional clinical sites for students**. Debbie said Jenny has found a possible site with Rebound. Blake explained to the committee that this cohort had only 17 students because there were only 17 clinical sites available. They are looking to hire a person to work on finding clinical sites for all Allied Health programs, but he said help is still needed in finding sites. It is a significant issue for all the Allied Health programs. Ian asked about Memorial. Memorial only has a part time radiography tech.

**Job Shadow form/process**. Debbie said they’ve changed the form from job volunteering to job shadowing. Jenny Baker said she’d like the form to have specific questions instead of having the evaluator or shadow write a paragraph and said we should make this part of the application process. Discussion took place about the need for students to see the “ick.” They need to know this is a physical job. Students can do their job shadowing anywhere, not just in Vancouver. This could take the pressure off our clinical partners. Need to come up with criteria that means the student is either in or out. This is beneficial to both the student and the site. Also, there should be a deadline by which the shadowing needs to take place. Giving a firm deadline was suggested. Debbie said she will update the form and have it finalized by the next meeting, however, if the process is going to change it may take longer. She said the form will note a December 1 deadline. The committee will talk again on selection process at the next meeting.

**Equipment plan**. Tabled.

**Review mission, goals, and vision statement**. A motion was made to approve the vision, purpose statement and outcomes. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

**JRCERT accreditation of program**. Debbie announced they received JRCERT accreditation approval for the next three years.

**New Business**

Blake told the committee that there is a new opportunity to offer a Bachelor of Applied Science in Radiography. Many colleges and programs are now offering or looking into offering applied baccalaureate degrees. He said this would be 300-level, upper division coursework at 60 more credits. Blake said he would like to begin investigating this opportunity and asked if the members would support this research. A motion to support the start of researching a new baccalaureate degree for medical radiography. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved by the committee.

**Next Meeting**

The committee agreed to meet again Tuesday, May 5, 2015.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Prepared/Submitted by Andreana DiGiorgio