



Shoreline Community College
16101 Greenwood Avenue North
Shoreline, WA 98133

DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes

Wednesday, October 11, 2017

6:30-8:00pm

Room 2513 (2500 bldg.)

Industry Attendance:

Clydene Evans-Wenzel, RDH; Debbie Puetz, RDH; Tasia Harper, RDH; Tracy Wayman, DDS; Deanne Henrichsen, RDH

Faculty/Staff Attendance:

Rosie Bellert, RDH, BS; Melinda Lane, RDH, BS; Kellee Moore, RDH, BS; Nikki Honey, DDS; Katie Fleming, DDS, Hanna Krupa, RDH; Lisa Malik, Acting Dean; Guy Hamilton, Executive Dean of Workforce

May 2017 meeting minutes: Approved

Program Update and Status Report/Discussion

As per the discussion during the May 2017 meeting regarding “concerns of low patient population and the difficulty of student being able to fulfill requirements and students paying for treatment.” The Dean and Director currently are working with the PIO office with possible advertising brochure of the clinic (Ashley Castaneda, new RDH first year instructor and Lori Maxwell, Communications and Marketing), social media, referral form to be distributed to local dentist and medical practices. Dr. Wayman suggested some changes and additions to improve the referral form. Deanne Henrichsen said she would send a copy of a clinical report of treatment between general DDS and periodontist.

Marie, Patsy, Lisa Malik and Rosie met yesterday regarding the potential to reduce fees and how it would affect the clinic budget. It was decided at this point, instead of reducing fees we could develop a “marketing campaign” to increase patient flow and discourage students from paying for treatment. The faculty will meet next Monday to work on this process, particularly a phone script for students to make recall appointment.

BASDH proposal to college

Lisa and Rosie are investigating the possibility of conversion from AAS to BAS degree. The college needs to get Board approval to start the first BAS program, then the Dental Hygiene Program will complete the Statement of Need.

It was considered to offer AAS and BAS track as well as an online degree completion track. The program would need to come up with the initial design, plan the program and complete the industry research to submit the Statement of Need proposal.

Several comments from the advisory board showed agreement with going forward with the BAS degree. With the industry changing, “it seems necessary to pursue this direction.”

Guy mentioned that the program would need to demonstrate higher demand in the industry for the BAS. Reasons and rational to transition into a BAS degree were discussed (qualitative insights):

- in order for Shoreline’s DH program to be competitive with other DH programs in the state
- students should get the degree they deserve after taking 180 credits
- physical demands and future career options
- increased number of students seeking BASDH degrees
- degree creep in medical and dental fields
- integrated medical models
- independent practice

Debbie mentioned that Shoreline’s reputation is in jeopardy when dentist want to employ a BAS dental hygienist from Lake Washington over Shoreline.

Student Surveys

We were able to have the last class complete the Exit survey during one of their last classes. Getting feedback so quickly and with a high return was great. Graduate Survey were sent out June along with a reminder in August, only a few responses so far.

Student success board results

- The last two students completed the Resto boards-in Sept
- National boards—one fail and one person to attempt, just passed 10/12/17

DH Application Process

The college and the dental hygiene program looked into using the DHCAS system, until they comply with VPAT requirement from Shoreline, we are unable to move to this system this year. We have communicated with Gavin and will be starting to update the content on the old system and prepare for this coming application period.

The Board of Trustees has approved implementing a non-refundable applicant acceptance fee of \$175, which would be used to pay for two years of ADHA student membership. The program is able to implement this next application period with one caveat that there be an option to not become a member of the association since this may be considered a political promotion.

The program would still need to decide how extra funds might be used, if a candidate rescinds their acceptance.

Equipment and Supplies

- A new pano machine was delivered during the summer. Kellee and Melinda Marie are trained but the rest of the faculty will get a training once it is rescheduled.

Training and Development

College Convocation concentrated on its new “tag line” Engage | Achieve.

We took the opportunity to implement a new orientation to enhance the dental hygiene culture. We started with an activity to engaging both classes to communicate their expectations, best learning environments that decrease and ease tension and how to cooperate together for one goal becoming a dental hygiene professional.

This culminated in Nikki presenting an activity with first and second year regarding norms in the classroom as well as in clinic. All responses were discussed and a final contract was made up for all students to sign. The faculty and staff are committed of support norms that aligns with high expectations and building strong, supportive relationships and an environment for learning. To sustain our community that shows respect to others with explicitly shared goals, values, and expectations, including behavioral expectations.

Other:

Deanne Henrichsen asked to consider the possibility of using any extra funds collected for the non-refundable acceptance fee for the Shawn Henrichsen Dental Hygiene Scholarship. She also asked if we could possibly email the last several graduates for donations to the scholarship. Rosie will look into this possibility.

Bolivia trip:

Katie gave a brief summarization of the Bolivia/Peru trip. The students spent some time in LaPaz, Cochabamba, Chipari Smiles Forever SDF project and Machu Pichu. It was suggested to invite Dr. Douglas to the college international presentation of the trip.

Next meeting: May 16, 2018 at 6:30

Adjournment: 8:10pm

Submitted by

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May 17, 2018 corrected (spelling of Henrichsen and Shawn)