

MLT ADVISORY MEETING

Monday November 19, 2012 4:00PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Molly Morse, Sue Seegers, Jackie Degler, Dorothy Canavan, Ann McGrew, Gillian Lewis, Tony Costas, Linda Breiwick, Brandon Rogers, James Nakasone

COLLEGE ACCREDITATION

Gillian spoke about the Shoreline Community College Accreditation which took place on October 5-7, 2012. The initial report was good with more information needed on our International expansion and the virtual college programs concerning alignment with our goals.

Members of the MLT Advisory Committee participated in the accreditation process as well. Jackie Degler, Shelley Langford and Dorothy Canavan attended. Dorothy stated that there was a lot of positive perspective on all the Professional Technical Programs. PSBC support was also mentioned.

GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

Brandon Rogers, Office of the President, has a background with grant writing, and spoke concerning resources and partnerships that might be available through federal money from the Department of Labor and Trade Assistance. There was some interest in laboratory science. We may be able to share equipment with science and biotechnology through grant proposals. Due to the difficulty in obtaining additional clinical sites it would be hard to expand the MLT program. Molly and Linda spoke about the HECO grant and the challenge in adding additional students as well. Brandon said that he would review MLT Program Dashboard and follow up.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Linda Breiwick announced that we awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from the Linda Breiwick Scholarship Fund to an MLT student Aliina Elliott in spring 2012. Linda announced that we would like to award another \$1,000 scholarship this coming April 2013. Molly announced that current funds in the Linda Brewick MLT Program Scholarship account were \$1, 228.94. Applications for this scholarship are due in April. Ann, Dorothy and James agreed to read the student scholarship essays to rank and help determine the scholarship awardee.

PROFESSIONAL TECHNICAL PROGRAMS

Tony stated that David Cunningham, Workforce Education Director, is retiring in December. There will be a party on December 14, 2012 in the Job Connections Center, 5101 located on the lower floor of the FOSS building.

MLT CELEBRATION

Linda and Molly met with foundation representatives Lyn Yaw and Ritva Manchester concerning an MLT Celebration. The Celebration will be **Saturday April 6, 2013** from 10am until 12 noon in the Shoreline PUB dining room. There will be a speaker and PACE credit available. Molly mentioned contacting Cathy Otto to be a keynote speaker. Dorothy recommended a speaker from the Washington Clinical Laboratory Conference she attended who spoke on "smart phone" technology and the lab.

PHLEBOTOMY AND MLT CLASSES 2012/2013

Phlebotomy: There are 10 students in the phlebotomy class this fall quarter who will go out to clinical practicum training winter quarter 2013. Mary Rickel is now teaching both the phlebotomy and lab basics classes and aligning them to better meet the needs of the program.

MLT: The MLT Program has 21 fulltime students, two part time students completing this year and one part time student going forward to next year. We also have two Medical Technologists retraining or updating skill in Hematology lab and lecture since they have not worked in the field for over 10 years.

OTHER BUSINESS

Anne commented on changes from Healthcare Assistant (HCA) to MA-Phlebotomist effective July 1, 2013. Phlebotomists will pay for the certificate and certificate would be good for three years. The first employer will "sponsor" the phlebotomist in the application. Details of this change may not be final at this time due to conflict with federal law.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2013 ASCLS-WA Spring Seminar will be at the Lynnwood convention Center on

April 25-27, 2013

2013 NWMLS with vendor exhibit hall will be held at the Lynnwood convention Center on October 16-19, 2013

Meeting Adjourned at 5:00pm