



## Moore Norman Technology Center Advisory Minutes

<b>Meeting called by:</b>	Kim Shannon, RN	<b>Type of meeting:</b>	Surgical Technology Program
<b>Date of meeting:</b>	October 30, 2008	<b>Time of meeting:</b>	4:30 pm
		<b>Meeting Place:</b>	H202

**In Attendance:** Diane Baker, Nancy Jones, Alexa Mashland, Deborah Meyers, Linda Miles, Dan Bergman, Claudia Burton, Kim Shannon

**Welcome and Introductions** – Kim welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming. A brief introduction of all those present followed.

### **Updates** –

- Alexa Mashland (from Oklahoma City Community College) informed the group that the OCCC Curriculum Committee approved the course description and syllabi for 4 hours of credit for *Technical Anatomy and Physiology* and it is being taught this semester in the Surg Tech program.
- Kim presented OCCC with a course description and syllabi for another course entitled *Technical Microbiology*. Hopefully it will be part of our courses beginning in the fall, 2009 semester. This will add an additional 4 college credits to our program. Students are currently receiving 37 college credit hours for the program. The addition of Microbiology will increase the hours to 41 hours towards an Associate in Applied Science in Surgical Technology. To receive this degree, a student would have to complete an additional 24 hours of general education classes some of which have to be completed at OCCC.

### **HOSA Nationals** –

- Kim reported that we had 16 students place at the State Competition last year. 4-2<sup>nd</sup> place, 2-3<sup>rd</sup> place, 1-4<sup>th</sup> place and 7 placed within the top 20% in the Kaiser Permanente Category.
  - Kaiser Permanente tests students on their knowledge of current health issues. Our students are required to share 2 news updates each morning with the class to prepare for this competition.
- This past school year the HOSA National Competition was in Dallas, TX. Dana took 2 of the students and they medaled in the "Career Health Display" competition. Next summer's national conference will be in Nashville, TN.

### **CST Results** –

- As part of the curriculum and requirements for graduation, our Surgical Technology students must take the CST Exam prior to graduation. The exam is administered here on campus by a proctor not associated with the Surg Tech program. Out of 16 students, 12 passed the exam. This was the 1<sup>st</sup> year the exam was taken on the computer instead of pencil and paper. Some of our students had a harder time taking the test on the computer and perhaps would have done better with a pen and paper test. The MNTC

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2007-2008 graduating class had a pass rate of 75%. The national average pass rate is 65%. We have signed up to use the CST as an outcome based reporting tool instead of the Program Assessment Exam (PAE) that we have had to use for the past 9 years.

### **New Class Statistics –**

- We started with 20 students. We lost 1 due to grades, and another due to illness (she will hopefully be able to attend the 2009-2010 CLASS). We have 18 really good students at this time. We have re-obtained enough clinical slots for all of our students. They should all receive a good clinical rotation experience due to the fact we have so many facilities on our rotation.

### **Community Involvement/Activities -**

- So far this year our students have not participated in a lot of community activities. We have one student that has worked at a benefit car show and one volunteer at Griffin Memorial.
- We are looking into helping at the Shriner Circus this spring
- In the past we have used our fundraiser money to help students travel to Nationals and will continue to do that. Until this last school year MNTC only paid for 1<sup>st</sup> place state winners to go to Nationals. This past class they paid for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners.
- The main fundraising activities this year are snack sales. We purchase snacks at SAMS and then we sell them at clinical sites or in the classroom to add to our fundraisers.
- Our students did participate in the "No-Cooking" raffle which was a chance to win a Basket filled with \$400.00 in Restaurant Gift Certificates. Tickets were \$2.00 each and our class made \$226.00 in profits that will be applied to our HOSA account. This was a school wide fundraiser and we rose over \$6000.00 40% of that money replenishes the general fund for student travel, competitions and other activities and 60% of the money that Surgical Technology raised goes to the Surg Tech activity fund account.

### **Equipment –**

- Kim reported that, on the recommendations from the advisory committee, a back frame, 2 new portable OR lights, and a laparoscopic trainer were ordered and have been delivered.
- Kim advised that something she would like to get for the program is actual surgical videos. She asked the members if they had any at their facilities. She was advised to check two web sites: Merloted.site and Freeware

### **Recommendations –**

- None were made at this time.

### **Open Discussion –**

- Deborah Meyers informed the group that ITT is starting a nursing program. She is not sure if they will also offer a Surgical Technology Program. If they do it may make it more difficult to get clinical slots.
- Kim reported that she has been performing Surgical Technology Program site visits for the ARC-ST. As a member of the accreditation review team she travels to other out-of-state schools to evaluate them for initial or random accreditation.

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- Kim explained that a section of the ST curriculum covers preparation of a cover letter, resume, and portfolio, as well as to have each student participate in a mock interview. Jana Cline, employment specialist, is very helpful in preparing students to enter the job market.
- Kim was asked where students attend clinicals. Kim stated we have clinical slots all over: Children's, Edmond, Baptist, Southwest, Lakeside, Lindsay, Mercy, Mid West City, Moore, NRH, OCOM, Presbyterian, Everett Tower, Unity, and McBride are our current sites. Kim was asked if Purcell Hospital was used. Kim explained that they were contacted in the past, but that they do not do enough cases per week to accomplish the students' clinical goals. We are hoping that we will get clinical slots once the new Health Plex opens. Students will begin attending clinical rotations in January 2010 just after the Christmas break.
- The one major concern we have right now is that one student is pregnant and due April 4<sup>th</sup>. In order for her to obtain all of her required clinical hours Kim will be working with her during the 5 days of Spring break if it is approved by MNTC administration.

**Meeting Adjourned: 5:30 pm**