

Surgical Technology Program Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Fall 10/22/18

Meeting called to order by T. Riehl @ 5:00 pm

Members Present: Faculty- Trudy Riehl, Vanessa Taylor, Mr. Ryan Terry- Program Adjunct Faculty CHI, Ms. Darcy Galt- Program Adjunct Faculty Sanford, Ms. Claudia Berg- Public Member, Ms. Shania Volk- Program Graduate, Dr. Ian Fyfe- physician representative, Ms. Audrey Nelson- Director of Surgical Services Sanford-Bismarck, Ms. Julie Ward- Director of Nursing CHI St. Alexius Health, Ms. Ayrca Jenson- Current Student, Ms. Jane Schmaltz- Director of Surgical Services CHI St. Alexius Health, Mr. Brent Reems- Department Chair/Administrative Representative, Ms. Amy Terry- Assistant Director Surgical Services CHI St. Alexius Health, Ms. Carla Hixon- Dean of Current and Emerging Technologies and Mr. Josh Neuberger- Practicing CST/CSFA- Sanford Bismarck.

Members Absent: Dr. John Stanley- Physician Representative and Ms. Erin Jean Gannon-Litton-OR Educator CHI St. Alexius

Riehl called meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Introductions of all were made

- The proposed Bylaws were given and vote tabled until spring 2019 meeting
- Annual Report Update
 - Riehl shared the statistics related to the programs yearly outcomes assessment. Riehl explained the program meets or exceeds the ARC/STSA Benchmarks on the latest annual report in relation to all other standards except the program's attrition rate.
 - Program remained below ARCSTSA Benchmark of 60% (Class of 2018= 42%)
 - Program exceeds all of the other 7 benchmarks and national trends. Copies were shared with all members
 - Riehl shared 100% pass rate for year 10 for the class of 2018
 - Ward complimented Riehl and Taylor and mentioned if retention and admittance increased pass rates may decrease
- Riehl explained student self-evaluations now being done by the students after each check off
 - Taylor reminded the group about the implementation of the mentoring program between the junior and senior classes.
 - Jenson and Volk happened to be a pair who had done this and explained that they were going to work together in the lab in the future
- Riehl shared about the move to the new building summer 2018
- Taylor updated on class of 2019. There are currently 8 students in the program, which started with 13.
 - 1 student accepted a position at Jamestown and 1 is possibly interested in another position outside the Bismarck area.
 - Current clinical sites were discussed (Sanford Bismarck, CHI, likely not Fargo.)
 - Nelson, Ward and Schmaltz said they all have plentiful job openings
 - Program awareness was discussed
 - Nelson and Schmaltz discussed the need for CS Tech in the future. Riehl will look into it
 - Riehl explained the FB advertising likely to go out summer and fall 2019
 - Nelson asked Hixson to check on running a report to look at data relating to major changes at BSC

- Ward asked how the CST's on the committee heard about the profession
- Volk and Jenson said it is very hard to find BSC's program
- Schmaltz discussed HS students from Steele who thought they needed to go to Fargo, didn't know about BSC
- Riehl will talk with Marketing Dept. about keyword searches
- Hixson explained the "Dashboard" print out she provided to the committee
 - Hixson explained the new Career Explorer for counselors and teachers coming up June 3-6 2019

Riehl adjourned the meeting at 6:00 PM