

O&P Advisory Board Agenda (December 2016)

Attending: Gustavson, Constantini, Fair, Flora

Not attending: Belle Isle, Doerger, Gingras, Mackenzie, Odefey, Prusakowski, Vittetoe

1. Program updates
 - a. Bachelor program update
 - b. Technician program update
 2. Graduate updates
 - a. ABC Exam updates
 3. Lab equipment updates
 4. Profession trends
 5. Suggested improvements
 6. Schedule next O&P advisory board meeting for 1st quarter 2017
- Program updates
 - Bachelor – ending in May 2017 with 12 expected graduates; students have the option to complete the Master level curriculum through FIU required before residency and certification examination
 - Technician – 16 graduates in Dec 2016; current cohort is 13 students all passing scheduled to graduate in summer of 2017
 - First graduate class had exam attempts; 1 student passed both ABC tech exams, 2 others attempted (no response on pass yet); approximately 11 students from the currently graduated class have applied to take the ABC tech exam in January or later (a grant through SPC helped cover the cost of the exam and application)
 - Evaluating equipment used in BAS program for use in AS Technician program; Vorum 7-axis carver was installed last year
 - Question posed to the advisory board about current trends, no responses; Technician program requirements are expected to stand as currently defined by NCOPE with some possible changes to required projects/skills in the future; meeting scheduled in January 2017 to meet with other O&P tech program managers and discuss programs, standards and collaboration opportunities
 - Changing the course structure to scaffold the classes rather than having the students learn in parallel; reassess advisory board members willingness to actively participate and confirm membership for 2017 meetings
 - First or second quarter of 2017 (April-ish)