

**ST. PETERSBURG COLLEGE**  
**Respiratory Care Program**  
**ADVISORY MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 4, 2018 2:30 PM**  
**HEC 218**

**Present:**

Mark Pellman	Sarasota Memorial Hospital- Chair
Dr. Anthony Ottaviani	SPC Program Medical Director
Dr. Katherine Woods	Dean, College of Health Sciences/SPC
Todd Ringeisen	Largo Medical Center
Scott Pino/Graduate Rep	St. Anthony's Hospital
Andrew Barnett	Tampa General Hospital
Ryan Philpot	Lakewood Ranch Medical Center
Dawn Janusz	SPC Advising
Steve Hardt	SPC Program Director
Gene Macogay	SPC Faculty
Sarah Gillmore	Sophomore Representative
Jake Hoss	Freshman Representative
Michelle Maher	Bay Care
Dan Craddock	SPC Director of Clinical Education

**Excused:**

Sean Christensen	Morton Plant Hospital
Tricia Castle	Baycare
Sonya Mickens	Bay Pines Hospital
Ed Golden	Manatee Memorial Hospital
Doug Collins	Blake Medical Center
Victor Rodriguez	Gulf coast North AHEC

**I. Introduction and Approval of Minutes**

Mark Pellman called the meeting to order @ 2:33.

All parties present introduced themselves.

Mark Pellman motioned to approve the minutes of the October 30, 2017 meetings without correction. Seconded by Andrew Barnett. Motion carried.

## **II. Old Business – None**

## **III. Reports and Discussion**

Steve Hardt thanked those present for their help with a very successful site visit in October. He also mentioned that the program appreciated the work of the program's referee, Dr. Alan Barker.

The committee toured the new lab area. While it is not yet completed, it is coming along nicely

Steve Hardt also displayed and reviewed the Advisor Committee's website, and showed where it contained minutes of previous meetings, viability reports, etc. This website also contains a programmatic QI effort that reviews area where the program scored below mean (if any) on the credentialing exams. In addition, the advisory committee manual, showing the role of the advisory committee, is also available on this site.

### **Review of Program Goals/Competencies/Roles of AC Members**

The program's goals and competencies were reviewed. A motion was made by Andrew Barrett to make no changes to these at this time. Motion seconded by Ryan Philpot. Motioned carried

Steve Hardt also distributed PPRS surveys.

### **Review of Workforce Data**

Workforce data was reviewed. 3 graphics were reviewed that showed the average wage in the area, the predicted growth, and the average educational attainment of respiratory care practitioners in the area. Comments were made that the percentage of CRTs at 12% seemed higher than expected. It was mentioned that it may be helpful to include a graphic on the number of openings in the area. Dawn Janusz did a search and determined there were currently 110 openings within 50 miles of Largo at this time.

### **Report of Current status/ Enrollment**

The Report of Current status (attached) was also reviewed and discussed in detail. The program is admitting more students, and increasing its success rates, therefore the size of graduating classes is increasing. Several members of the committee mentioned that this is good because of the large number of current openings in the area.

Steve Hardt mentioned that the program received its third consecutive CoARC Distinguished Credentialing Success award, and based on this year's outcomes, should be considered for a 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **Clinical Report**

Dan Craddock presented the program's clinical report.

### **New faculty**

Steve Hardt announced that the program make a commitment to bring on additional faculty 2 years ago in an attempt to bring new perspectives and diversify the faculty. These new faculty members are all doing very well, and their contributions have been an asset to the program.

### **Upgrade to Trajecsys**

Steve Hardt stated that the program's system for documenting student's clinical learning was well received during the recent CoARC site visit. Thanks to the efforts of Gene Macogay and others, this system has now been moved online to a CoARC approved online platform called Trajecsys. This transition has gone very smoothly, and results in significantly less paperwork for the students, clinical instructors, and the program.

### **Student and Graduate Report**

Sarah Gillmore and Jake Hoss gave a brief student report. There are no issues to report at this time.

The capital budget that had been reviewed at the Fall meeting was again reviewed, and has been presented for Perkins funding.

## **Opportunities for Improvement**

Possible improvements to the program were discussed. Steve Hardt mentioned that as a quality improvement initiative he has reached out to those who precept new graduates and asked for suggestions for improvement. In addition, Janelle Anderson, who serves as a nightshift supervisor at Bayfront Hospital has also been working with the program as part of her capstone project. As part of her capstone, Janelle has been interviewing new grads from the past few years to determine possible opportunities for improvement. There were similarities in the groups' responses. Graduates could be stronger in the areas of critical thinking/clinical judgement, time management, working independently, and a few clinical issues (code management, etc.) The committee was advised that the program will be working to become stronger in these areas

## **Baccalaureate Program**

The future of the baccalaureate in Tampa Bay was discussed. Steve Hardt mentioned that the plan to have Hillsborough Community College (HCC) develop online courses for a Collaborative baccalaureate program could not obtain the necessary approvals since HCC does not offer any baccalaureate degrees. However, SPC has agree to fund the development of 2 additional upper division Respiratory Care programs to move SPC closer to a BSRT.

Michelle Maher asked about the actual difference between the two degrees (BAS vs. BSRT) to a working therapist. It was agreed after some discussion that while the differences are subtle, many students seem to prefer the BSRT.

The possibility of offering a Cardiopulmonary Science program was discussed and considered. While this option should be left open, Florida Southwestern currently offers a strong online BS Cardiopulmonary Science program

Todd Ringeisen mentioned that there have been issue with the College of American Pathologists (CAP) not "honoring" some BSRT degrees because they didn't have enough "hard" sciences in them. This was noted, and may be one reason to keep Chemistry in the AS level RT program. Many AS level RT programs have changed their requirements from Chemistry to Microbiology. These new CAP concerns may be reason enough not to make this change at this time.

The growing body of evidence that RT may be moving to the baccalaureate minimum entry level was discussed, and the pros and cons were debated. Steve Hardt mentioned the creative things schools are doing in some states, like Wisconsin. The role of the Coalition on Baccalaureate Graduate and Respiratory Care Education (COBGRTE) was discussed. The relationship between CoARC and CoBGRTE was also discussed.

Dr Ottaviani asked if any of this had been opened for public comment. CoARC has not opened this for public comment at this time.

### **Defunct observation requirement**

As discussed in an earlier advisory committee meeting, the program will no longer require observations before applying to the program. It had been agreed that the risks and inconvenience to facilities offset any benefits to the program. This is especially true as the number of applications to the program have grown and this had lead in a substantial increase in the number of observations required.

### **Other items**

Dr. Woods mentioned that they are looking at advisory committee members for the baccalaureate HSA program

Dawn Janusz made an announcement regarding the Success Showcase

### **Next Advisory Committee event**

TBA

### **Adjournment**

Motion at 3:22 PM by Mark Pellman and seconded by Andrew Barnett

Meeting was adjourned.

**St. Petersburg College Respiratory Care Program**

**Data Dash Board as of April 1, 2018**

**Current Students**

<u>Yr Admitted</u>	<u># admitted</u>	<u>-Lost Academic</u>	<u>- Lost Personal</u>	<u>+ From Prev</u>	<u>Remain</u>
2017	30	0	3	2/1 CRT	30
2016	29	4	2	0	23
2015	27	6	4	+1/+1 CRT	19
2014	26	-5	-6	+ 2 CRT to RRT=+ 5	20
2013	24	-6	-4	+2	15

**Graduating Classes**

<u>Year</u>	<u># Grads</u>	<u>Passed CRT</u>	<u>% National</u>	<u>Passed RRT</u>	<u>% National</u>	<u>Placement</u>	<u>Nat%</u>
2017	19	18	126%	18	142%	18	N/A
2016	20	19	122%	19	115	19	N/A
2015	15	15	113%	15	110%	15	117%
2014	14	14	125%	14	139%	13	115%
2013	18	17	119%	17	127%	17	110%
#/(%)	86	83(95%)		(97%)			

**CoARC RCS Line (2013-2015 graduates)**

<u>Category</u>	<u>SPC</u>	<u>National Ave</u>	<u>All FL</u>	<u>FL State</u>	<u>Threshold</u>
Attrition	32.5	18.5	18.3	18.6	40
Placement	95.7	84.3	79	87	70***
CRT Success	97.9	92.5	89	95	80
RRT Success	97.9	72.7	85	87	N/A

On time grad	95.5	91.0	90	94	N/A
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**Other Indicators**

<b><u>Year Graduated</u></b> <b><u>%</u></b>	<b><u>Grad Satisfaction</u></b>	<b><u>Employer satisfaction</u></b>	<b><u>Cohort attrition</u></b>
2017	100%	N/A	23%
2016	100%	100%	28.6%
2015	93%	100%	30.4%
2014	100%	100%	36%
3 year average	98%	100%	27%

**Number of completed applications to program**

2017	102
2016	68
2015	52
2014	63
2013	78

