

**St. Petersburg College  
College of Nursing  
Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes  
Date: April 4, 2013  
Time: 9:05 a.m.**

**Members Present:** Susan Baker – SPC, Geneo Roberts – SPC, Allison Chen – SPC, Jennifer Dennis – St. Pete General Hospital, Krista Fusari – SPC, Deb Covert – Morton Plant Mease, Mary Jean Etten – Suncoast Hospice, Kerry Carlisle – Pinellas County Health Department, Latrese Taylor – PTEC, Tina Spagnola – All Children’s Hospital, Linda Wichlenski – SPC, Judge Skip Schafer via conference call

Topic	Discussion	Action/ Outcome/Person Responsible/Timeframe
<b>Welcome</b>	Dr. Baker welcomed the Advisory Committee members to the College of Nursing’s Advisory Committee meeting. She thanked them for being supportive to St. Petersburg College and the College of Nursing. Their suggestions, input, continuous commitment to the program and their outstanding partnerships helps us establish and maintain the high quality of our program.	The support we receive from the Community provides our student’s success and completion of what they started.
<b>Call to order by the Chairperson</b>	T. Spagnola called the meeting to order.	Meeting came to order.
<b>Introductions</b>	The Advisory Committee members introduced themselves.	Informational
<b>State of SPC &amp; Baccalaureate Programs</b>	<p>Dr. Law has initiated the 5x180 plan. One of the components is the Early Alert System and is currently being piloted in the developmental classes. Out of Classroom support is another important part of the plan.</p> <p>Due to the Affordable Care Act, colleges are struggling to define adjunct work hours. This could have a huge impact on the nursing program as well as continuity of instruction in clinical courses.</p> <p>Due to new financial aid laws less aid is available. Enrollments were down slightly but as of yesterday summer enrollment in nursing were up 16.8%.</p> <p>In Spring 2012 the BSN program required that all general education requirements be completed before admittance to the program. This resulted in a brief down turn in enrollment but has now leveled off.</p>	<p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p>

<b>State of HEC</b>	<p>Dr. Nicotera is unable to attend and Dr. Baker gave the State of HEC report.</p> <p>All programs are growing and all indications are that health care demands in the area will continue to increase. The Health Education Center is very viable.</p> <p>We are updating the wireless network throughout the HEC complex. Construction and improvements will be done in the O &amp; P building thanks to a grant. Nursing is also refreshing some of the classrooms.</p>	<p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p>
<b>Minutes of September 6, 2012</b>	The minutes were reviewed and a motion was entered and seconded to accept the minutes as written.	The minutes of September 6, 2012 were approved as written.
<b>Employer Graduate Survey completion</b>	All members employing SPC ADN graduates should fill out the form. The form is located in the folder provided.	Please complete before leaving the meeting.
<b>Status of the CON</b>	<p>The 5x180 Plan – The three main parts of the plan that currently involve nursing include out of class support, My Learning Plan and early alerts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The CON offers out of class support via Content Café, virtual office hours in online classes, one on one and group help sessions, separate office hours for paper reviews and learning support sessions.</li> <li>- My Learning Plan helps students set realistic goals. The BSN program has always had advising plans and this formalizes that.</li> <li>- Early Alert is embedded in ANGEL. When faculty sends an early alert the information goes to a student advisor who in turn contacts the student and offers resources and guidance. Resources available are fiscal, psychosocial and academic. Early Alert is currently only available in developmental courses.</li> </ul>	Informational.
<b>Status of ADN Program Enrollment NCLEX Pass Rates Master Rotation Faculty</b>	<p>Geneo Roberts reported there are 636 ADN students registered this semester. 198 are newly admitted students with 34 of them entering through the LPN to RN Bridge Program. NCLEX pass rates for the 2012 calendar year is 91.57%. This is higher than both the state and national pass rates and we anticipate sustaining this level of achievement.</p> <p>Allison Chen reports that both Summer and Fall master rotation calendars were successfully negotiated at the March meeting. We continue to search for clinical experiences and are making more site visits. We are talking to managers and staff nurses as we make rounds. We care about the reputation of our students and faculty.</p>	<p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p>
<b>Status of RN to BSN Enrollment Recruitment/retention Faculty</b>	The IOM (Institute of Medicine) has recommended that 80% of nurses be BSN prepared by 2020. The CON has instituted a subcommittee to look at BSN student retention and progression to see if there are any changes we can make without compromising quality. We are a 5 semester program and looking to help students complete in 4. This would be an option for only well prepared and dedicated students. We are also making a course change. The research course is being renamed Evidence Based Utilization. Enrollment is increasing because the BSN degree is in demand.	IOM Recommendation Update

<p><b>Job market Statistics/Trends/Educational Requirements</b></p>	<p><b>All Children’s Hospital</b> – All external candidates have to have a BSN for consideration for employment. Internal candidates can have an ADN but must earn their BSN within three years of hire.</p> <p><b>Morton Plant Mease</b> – All leaders have a bachelor’s degree. There is a very good nursing education reimbursement program in place. Earn As You Learn students must start work on their BSN within 6 months of graduation with their ADN.</p> <p><b>Pinellas County Health Department</b> – A BSN is not currently required. It is encouraged but not yet required.</p> <p><b>St. Petersburg General</b> - There is no current requirement. Volunteers at the gift shop donate all proceeds to a scholarship fund for current employees.</p>	<p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p>
<p><b>Advisory committee Concerns and/or Recommendations</b></p>	<p>Jennie Dennis from St. Petersburg General requested continuity and consistency in clinical rotations. Her recommendation is to keep instructors at the same hospitals.</p> <p>Competition with for profit schools – Students are getting smarter and questioning the for profit schools more. SPC is more competitive with the for profits than previously. We counsel ADN students from the beginning that the program is a bridge to continuing their nursing education.</p> <p>Are graduates finding jobs? – Yes, although not as quickly as in the past.</p>	<p>SPC faculty have hand many more family emergencies than in the past. Efforts will be made to maintain consistency.</p> <p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p>
<p><b>Reports from Attending Members</b></p>	<p><b>St. Petersburg General</b> – Jennie Dennis – Construction on 6W, surgery &amp; women’s services, is complete. The security on the women’s services unit is improved and much tighter. MRI is coming and with that has come major construction. The cafeteria is very congested because of this. During the move itself next month some hallways will be impassable.</p> <p><b>PTEC</b> – Latrese Taylor announced that both campuses are doing very well. The St. Pete campus has recently moved to the second floor.</p> <p><b>Morton Plant Mease</b> – Deb Covert – Their third magnet reaccreditation is in progress and hoping for site visit in the fall. The entrance to MPH is moving to the opposite side of the building.</p> <p><b>Pinellas County Health Department</b> – Kerry Carlisle – The Clearwater center was closed for construction and recently reopened providing women’s care and has full time Spanish speaking staff. The mobile care unit that goes to the homeless shelters is looking for RN’s. The Largo center now offers low income care.</p>	<p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p>

	<p><b>Suncoast Hospice</b> – Mary Jean Etten – The board of directors of Suncoast Hospice has named Rafale Sciullo the new President and CEO. Woodside has been renamed Suncoast Hospice Care Center. Census is low as doctors are not referring patients to hospice until the very end of life. A new building was purchased to house the Pace program. Preparing for JACHO accreditation.</p> <p><b>All Children’s Hospital</b> – Tina Spagnola – All Children’s is now integrated with Johns Hopkins and July 2014 is the go date of the 1<sup>st</sup> group of residents. 17 new graduates were hired. All new hires on the critical track will start on med surg and then phase to ICU. Working on Professional Development and Leadership. The OR suite in simulation will hopefully open in April. Simulation currently includes NICU, ICU/Med Surge, OR suite and 2 exam rooms. All areas have video cameras. Training is at 100% capacity. The simulators are also used for parent training. All Children’s continues on its magnet journey.</p>	<p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p>
<b>Announcements</b>	<p>Mary Lou VanCott is retiring and we are looking for someone with a PhD or DNP degree in nursing to replace her. If you know anyone send them our way.</p> <p>Catherine Crumbs is retiring in May and Brent Rudolph has resigned so we are looking for faculty at both the BSN and ADN levels.</p> <p>Save the Date – The celebration of the 10 year anniversary of our BSN program will be held May 31<sup>st</sup> from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Health Education Center. Come join us for an elegant evening.</p> <p>Dr. Susan Baker announced the upcoming retirement of Linda Wichlenski. She will be retiring in July.</p>	<p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p> <p>Informational</p> <p>Linda will be missed by all!</p>
<b>Next Meeting Date</b>	Tentatively planned for September 12 <sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. at the Epi Center.	Email confirmation to follow.
<b>Advisory Committee Evaluation</b>	All members	Link will be emailed by Krista Fusari.

**Meeting Adjourned at 10:05 a.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Rose Boyer, Recorder**

