

Fall 2013 Dental Hygiene Advisory Board Meeting – October 25, 2013

Present: Elsa Eccles, Dept. Chair, Gail Kingrey-, Dr. Kelli Pershin, Meg Passig, RDH, Bailey Paumen, RDH, Rita Ohrdorf, RDH, Dr. Robert Waggener, Dr. Harold Robinson, Marisa Camper, RDH, Bonnie Housh, Mary Chavez, Dean of H. & P.S., Patty Erjavec, PCC President, and Judy Costanza, RDH.

Recorder: Sandy Archuleta

Agenda Item	Discussion	Decision/Action Item
I. Call to Order/Determination of Quorum - Dr. Harold Robinson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After determining there was a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 11:40 a.m. 	
II. Welcome/Introduction of New Employees & Job Responsibilities - Elsa Eccles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elsa welcomed everyone and introductions were made. She introduced Dr. Waggener as the new Supervising Dentist and Crystal Shepherd as the new 1.0 full-time faculty. 	
III. Approval of Minutes – April 12, 2013 - Dr. Harold Robinson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes from the April 12, 2013 meeting were approved as written. 	
IV. Scheduling of Spring Meeting - Dr. Harold Robinson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The spring meeting will be held on Friday, April 11th from 11:30 – 1:00. Lunch will be served. 	
V. President's Report – President Patty Erjavec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President Erjavec said the academic year is going fast • The institutional body is coming together, developing relationships with our students, and making them feel valued. • Next week is Academic Advising Week. Students who need help making sure they are taking the right classes can meet with their advisors for spring enrollment. • Patty asked the committee for feedback on student graduates. She met with some recent dental hygiene student graduates who told her that nobody in Colorado Springs would hire dental hygiene students who graduated from PCC. They also felt like they didn't get a good education and they weren't prepared to go out into workplace. Some members who are past graduates working in Colorado Springs said they have never heard that. They have worked and are currently working in offices with other PCC graduates. Their dentist seems to be very pleased with them. Dr. Pershin said she has three past PCC graduates and she said she is very happy with them and their skills. 	<p>Committee members said they would ask their dentist if they had any problems hiring PCC graduates.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patty thanked the committee members for taking the survey for the BAS degree. She said she thinks things are going well. Representatives Nancy Todd and Jim Wilson have been instrumental in trying to get this legislation through. • The BAS won't be offered in Nursing. There are quite a few bachelor degrees in Nursing offered in Colorado. 	
Dean's Report - Mary Chavez	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary said Pueblo Community College is part of a consortium that was awarded a TAA – Trade Adjustment Assistance grant. The grant is aimed at developing advanced manufacturing programs, and it will be headed by Front Range Community College. • PCC is currently sitting at about a 4% reduction in enrollment. • Our division's enrollment is up 5%. We have added a new Medical Assistant program. CTU is closing their Surgical Technician program; which means there won't be any in the state. Mary is currently advertising for a Dept. Chair position to prepare to open a program here in fall 2014. • PCC is opening a Studio Campus on 1st and Main Street. It will be developed into a center for veterans, displaced workers and for people who are intimidated about coming to the college campus. There will be a dedication on November 11th at the river walk bridge and then a ribbon cutting ceremony will be held at the Studio Campus. Since the PCC campus is in the middle of a neighborhood, we have to grow outside of our campus. 	
VI. Bylaws Review/Revision – Dr. Harold Robinson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Robinson asked that the discussion on revising bylaws be tabled until the spring meeting to allow everyone to read them over more carefully. 	The bylaws will be discussed at the spring meeting.
VII. 5 Year Plan & Mini Program Review – Elsa Eccles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everyone received a copy of the 5 Year Plan for Dental Hygiene. • Elsa informed the committee that we will be preparing for the next accreditation site visit; which will be on September 16-18, 2015. • We added a .1 full-time faculty member. This will help students by having their faculty here every day. In addition, they have allowed the current .50 full-time faculty, who took over first year responsibilities, to work with overload to improve consistency in the curriculum and improve student/faculty communication. • We are also interested in purchasing Televal. It is clinical grading software that was highly recommended to us by the CCD Dental Hygiene Program. 	We have put in a request for Amendment 50 money to upgrade our Dentrix system. We haven't heard back on that yet.
VIII. Program Reports:		
A. Student Report – Sydney Renberg	<p>Sydney reported that the 2nd year class went to the CDHA meeting in Breckenridge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was nice to hear dental hygiene speakers discuss career opportunities and experiences • It was also great to meet students from other schools and talk about requirements. Our students are focused on classes and requirements and are making plans for graduation and board exams. 	

B. Class of 2014 – Judy Costanza	Judy reported that the class of 2014 is progressing well. They are mentoring the 1 st year students.	
C. Class of 2015 - Marisa Camper	<p>Marisa reported that we accepted 16 students for the class of 2015.</p> <p>37 Applicants – 35 females – 2 males 24 Interviewed – 22 females – 2 males</p> <p>16 students were sent acceptance letters – 14 females – 2 males 13 - White 2 - Hispanic 1 - Black</p> <p>7 – Pueblo 6 – Colorado Springs 1 – Peyton 1 – Wray 1 – Trinidad</p> <hr/> <p>Ethnic Origin of applicants interviewed 1 - (I) American Indian or Alaskan Native 0 - (O) Asian or Pacific Islander 5 - (H) Hispanic 1 - (B) Black Non-Hispanic 17 - (W) White Non-Hispanic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One dropped for personal reasons so we currently have 15 students. • The class consists of 2 males and 13 females • This is the 2nd career for 4 students • Two students have a BS degree • They are great with instrumentation • They are currently going through all of their basic instruments. After they learn an instrument, they go directly into the clinic to practice. • They are being introduced to the Dentrix Software System during the fall semester instead of waiting until the spring semester. 	
D. CRDTS Exam and National Boards Pass Rate – Judy Costanza	Judy reported that all but one student graduated on time. The student, who didn't complete, only had to come in for two clinic sessions to finish up very minimal requirements. The entire graduating class passed the National Written Board Exam and they all passed the CRDTS exam. They ranked above the national and regional average overall in both exams	

