

Skyline College
Respiratory Therapy Program Community College Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
October 16, 2008

In attendance: Skyline faculty, clinical site managers and preceptors: Ray Hernandez, Brian Daniel, Mike Williamson, Shaina Bearman, Chris Comstock, Monte Schachner, Paige Brown Kelly, Brian Smith, Irving Spivey, Lee Guion (Chair)
 Skyline students: John Nevado, Paul Lopez, Josephine Valdes, Jaydee Mamaligsa, Marwa El Marsafawy, Karl Dahlin, Joel Kaplan
 Graduates: Harland Chan, Amanda Shelton, Nazmin Shah, Pete Popin

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Review of minutes from last meeting Introductions and welcome	Approved with one amendment. The complaints about the lottery system used in admitting applicants to the impacted RT program were exaggerated. It was, in fact, an isolated incident.	Minutes of past meetings posted on Skyline website
Old business: Facilities update (Mike) Student enrollment (Ray) Clinical rotations (Brian)	<p>Historical overview of the RT program, begun 36 years ago, and housed for that time in the Building 7 (Math and Sciences) with the EMT program. Advisory committee tour of renovated facility. Students and faculty will occupy the new classroom and lab in spring semester 2009. The list of disposable supplies and medical equipment and the budget for these items was distributed at the previous meeting.</p> <p>There are 29 students in the new class. Enrollment remains high due to increased visibility of the RT program. This creates challenges for the clinical director who must insure there are sufficient clinical sites to accommodate all students. In addition, a newly accredited advanced practitioner program at Western Career College and RT programs outside San Francisco and San Mateo counties may compete for ICU student rotation slots historically filled by Skyline students. Discussion about quality verses quantity of clinical rotations and preceptor development ensued.</p> <p>Students have expressed a desire to increase their interactions with physicians at clinical sites and clarify expectations of these interactions, on the part of students and physicians. Students have also requested more consistency in interacting with physicians.</p>	<p>Program faculty will approach medical supply vendors and RT Mgrs about additional supplies.</p> <p>Program faculty will continue to explore affiliations with other hospitals in an effort to insure ICU rotation sites and expand the variety of learning experiences.</p> <p>A student/physician encounter sign-off sheet has been created and will be trialed this academic year. Clear goals for these encounters are defined, with date, name of physician and documentation by physician. RT department managers will inform their medical directors and other physicians of this student requirement. Its success will be reviewed.</p>

