

Respiratory Care Program
Florida SouthWestern State College
Advisory Board Meeting
Kenneth P. Walker Health Science Hall Room #A-207
May 17, 2019 -1:30 p.m.
Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Overview of 2018 Graduate Outcomes
 - a. Number (2018 = 21)
 - b. Placement statistics (95%)
 - c. Certification and Registry statistics (2018 CRT 100%, RRT 95%)
3. Classes of 2019 and 2020
 - a. 2019 – 16 scheduled to graduate, pinning June 13th, 2019 (Kettering review June 17-19, 2019)
2020 – 17 (15 traditional & 2 returning students)
2020 – Accepting applications, interviews in June, selections early July, selection criteria
 - b. Retention statistics
 - c. Recruitment
4. Human Resources
 - a. Dean position
 - b. Program administration
 - c. Instructional staff
5. Physical Resources
 - a. Simulation Centers/lab
 - b. Mechanical Ventilators
6. Clinical Resources and Clinical Associate Report
7. Program Goals/Curriculum/Program Review
8. Medical Directors Perspective
9. Graduate and Students Perspective
10. CoARC Accreditation Status
 - a. Continuing to meet or exceed all thresholds
 - b. Report of Current Status Due September, 2019—Program Resource Survey
 - c. Distinguished RRT Credentialing Success Award (5 years in a row)
11. Continuing Education
 - a. Suncoast Pulmonary Symposium, September 5 and 6, 2019
 - b. Intubation Programs
12. BS program update and accreditation
13. Open Discussion
14. Adjournment

Respiratory Care Advisory Meeting

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Attendees:

Pete Lallone
Mishanda Seawright
Jeff Campbell
Diane Sobel
Jean Newberry
Heather O'Connell
Michelle Powella
Jeff Davis
Linda Pike-Freshman
Liulyn Gonzalez-Sophomore
Sara Brown-Graduate
Jessica Surratt-Freshman
Kurt Goerke
Eva Fish
Tamra Pacheco (scribe)

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 by Jean Newberry.

Jean explained each artifact provided to the attendees:

- Invitation to the Program Pinning Ceremony on Thursday, June 13th
- Postcard for the Suncoast Pulmonary Symposium on September 4 – 6. Jean Newberry reminded the attendees that the attendees
- Respiratory Care Organization Chart
- A letter from CoARC stating that they have reviewed our reports stating that we have met or exceeded the thresholds for success and no further action is needed.
- A letter from CoARC stating that our program has been selected for the Distinguished RRT Credentialing Success Award for the 5th year in a row.
- School summary report showing the pass rates of the 3-part board exam over the last 3 years
- The admission point sheet used to calculate the academic points for each applicant. Jean Newberry pointed out the changes in GPA calculations and the elimination of prerequisite points.
- CoARC employer survey results from May 2019
- CoARC graduate survey results from May 2019
- CoARC program personnel resource survey
- Last year's meeting minutes. The motion to approve was given by Kurt Goerke, second by Eva Fish

Class of 2019 and 2020

- Jean Newberry stated that one student from the class of 2018 did not take the CSE board exam.
- Jean Newberry stated that the program is above the national average for passing the board in 2018.
- There are 16 graduates for 2019 and Kettering is scheduled for them to attend on June 17 – 19. Jean also mentioned that others who need CEUs can also register and attend.
- There are 17 students in the class of 2020. Jean pointed out that CoARC is only reviewing the attrition that pertains to academic performance, not personal reasons.
- Jean stated that our biggest question is “How do we get the quality students?” We had an orientation for those who were accepted into the program and it was liked according to the survey results, but did not seem to help to increase the retention rate.
- We have a STEM camp, but it does not increase awareness for the local students since the attendees are from other areas in the state.
- Eva Fish suggested that we attend career fairs and contact the Chamber of Commerce for a schedule of events in the area.
- Jean stated that we fill our seats and other colleges are not able to, but we still have a high attrition rate.
- Jean stated that we made a video last year. It is two minutes long and we hope to get it on our website after the application period.
- Eva Fish suggested that that we recruit EMT students for the program.
- Kurt Goerke stated that the 95% pass rate is good for marketing the program.

Human Resources

- We have a new dean, Dr. Tropello and a new Provost, Dr. Deluca.
- We have 22 clinical associates.

Physical Resources

- Our simulation hospital is used for RET 1275 and we hope to use it more often. Our ASL simulator is now able to function with the manikin in the simulation hospital.
- We received an Ambu bronchoscope with disposable scopes via grant funds. Eva stated that she has expired ones to donate.
- We purchased a new ventilator and Gul Coast Hospital donated 2 ventilators. Now we have a total of 5 new ventilators.
- The sim hospital purchased a Super-Tory manikin last summer and it has realistic movements and sounds.

Clinical Rotations

- Heather O’Connell thanked everyone for helping our students through their clinical rotations.
- Heather provided the positive feedback that she received from the students regarding the RTs at the clinical sites:
 - Bayfront – students were surprised and said it was pleasant

- Lee – Natasha has a great attitude. Amy, Valerie, and Brittany were mentioned for their helpfulness. Michelle Martinez is easy to understand and tolerates the students. Staff is always friendly and willing to teach.
- Cape – Staff is helpful, students mentioned Sarah and Carol
- Gulf Coast – great staff. The only negative is that everyone gets lost in the hospital.
- Healthpark – Lea, Sandy, and Brittany are mentioned for being helpful
- Golisano – Jimmy, Ellen, and Laurie were mentioned as being helpful. Students want more time there. A suggestion was made by Jeff Campbell to have the students do night rotations.
- North Naples – staff is always willing to teach
- Naples Community – always had hands-on experiences. Staff is always inviting.
- Physicians Regional – great learning experience
- Heather stated that we need to do more interator reliability at all of our clinical facilities.
- Jean stated that we have purchased the training for preceptors and expanded it to the hospital staff.
- Heather stated that we need to make sure that the students are given direction on where to go on the first day of clinical.

Program Goals/Curriculum/Program Review

- Mission statement reviewed and agreed upon to continue using the same wording
- Jean stated that the program goal is to get everyone graduated and well prepared for board exams and entry level position
- We will be changing a few textbooks in a few courses (peds and respiratory diseases)
- We are discussing adding a 1 credit professionalism course that covers the profession to increase awareness. It may help with attrition/retention
- We can no longer do job shadowing due to the hospital requirements. Michelle Powella, who works at Lee, stated that there is a lot of paperwork for job shadowing.
- Jeff Davis stated that we may be able to restrict access for job shadowing and see if we can use that approach.
- We changed the point system for admission and we interview those with 88 points and up. Interviews are pass/fail and students must communicate to pass the interview.

Graduate and Student Perspective

- Sarah Brown described her clinical experiences as a graduate:
 - She works at Sarasota Memorial and they use Dragger Ventilators
 - They have students from Concord and the FSW program is better because they don't have clinical associates.
 - Concord has a Respiratory program commercial that plays on the hospital screens and FSW could do the same.
 - She loves Bayfront. She recently saw a 4-hour operation at Bayfront with Dr. Debose and excavated the patient at the end of the procedure.
- Luilyn provided her feedback as a second year student:

- She is preparing for graduation. She stated that all of the instructors are awesome.
 - She stated that she would not be there it wasn't for the instructors. They are so proud of their student success and don't want us to fail and will help us in any way they can.
 - She stated that she loved her clinical rotations at Lee and Faucet.
 - The instructors introduced them to local events and conferences
 - She is not able to make any suggestions to make the program better
 - An RT referred her to this program and it was the best decision she ever made.
- Jessica Surratt provided her feedback as a first year student:
 - She stated that she initially applied for Nursing and is happy that she chose Respiratory Care.
 - She stated that through the nerves she knows what she is doing
- Linda Pike provided her feedback as a first year student:
 - She stated that our program video in hospitals internal system is a good idea.
 - She stated that the integration from classroom to clinic is priceless.
- Jean stated that the graduates in the class of 2018 gave themselves high ratings and the employers gave the graduates ratings that were almost as high.
- CoARC employer survey results from May 2019
 - Overall results very positive
 - Results from outside area as well with positive feedback
- CoARC graduate survey results from May 2019
 - Graduates feel very prepared for new careers
 - Very satisfied with program
- CoARC program personnel resource survey
 - Overall program personnel feel lab is well equipped,
 - New equipment is always welcomed

Progression

- As of the beginning of May 2019, nine graduates of the 2018 class have enrolled in the BS program. This is an increase from previous years. Sindee will discuss more in the BS meeting.
- There is a national and statewide push for RT to become BS degree.
- The 2015–2020 AARC Strategic Plan sets forth several key objectives to not only advance the profession but to also ensure safe and effective respiratory care. Within the strategic plan, the AARC promotes advancement and practice expansion for respiratory therapists as well as the continuing development of the respiratory care workforce. The AARC understands that advanced education is the key to accomplishing these goals.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30.