

HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

HIT/MICB Faculty Meeting
January 22, 2024
1:00 – 2:00 pm

Faculty	Present	Absent	Excused
Susan Foster	√		
Elizabeth Whitmer		√	
Sharon Fitzgerald		√	
Rachael DAndrea	√		

A. Discussion:

Adjunct portfolios are due Monday 2/12/2024 for Dr. Foster’s review. Tommy Mann has requested we submit all portfolios to him by 2/15/2024.

Action:

1. Adjuncts are to work on their portfolios.

B. Discussion:

FSW has been selected to participate in the new Future Education Model (FEM) Program Demonstration. Our program received full re-accreditation/continuing for 7 years. We will not have a site visit. Our program will be one of the first in the nation to undergo this transformation. Elizabeth and Dr. Foster will be attending training in April provided by CAHIIM. There is ongoing virtual education that will be provided by CAHIIM.

Action:

1. The faculty was advised they should register to attend the virtual education.

C. Discussion:

Cassandra Allbritten has been hired as the new program director for the Advanced Medical Assisting program. Dr. Foster will be mentoring and training the new director for the next year.

Action:

1. Nothing further at this time.

D. Discussion:

The School of Health Professions has decided to develop a BS degree in health science or healthcare management for all the programs to use as a completer degree. February 1 we will have an all directors meeting to discuss. The degree will also have concentrations or specialty tracks. HIT will have a concentration in Health Data and

Information Sciences. Those who have graduated and have their RHIT or are RHIT eligible will be able to complete a BS degree. This is a 2+2 pathway. With this new program, there may be potential to teach more courses. We may require an additional full-time faculty member or more adjunct faculty.

Action:

1. Nothing further at this time.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
Susan L Foster,
HIT/MICB Program Director