MEETING SUMMARY

Title of Group/Meeting: Nursing Advisory Committee Meeting

Purpose of Meeting: Discussion, decision making, strategy, information sharing, brainstorming

Date: Monday, April 9, 2018

Location: Minnesota West College, Worthington campus

Facilitator: Kylie Turner, Nursing Advisory Board Chair; Dawn Gordon, Dean of Nursing

Handouts: Minutes from October 2017 Advisory Committee Meeting

Attendees: Laurie Johansen, SMSU; Becky Engelking, Good Samaritan St. James; Beth Bents, Minnesota West College; Marissa Marten, Minnesota West College; Morgan LeBrun, Minnesota West AS student; Gwen Post, Sanford Worthington; Jessica Brouwer, Colonial Manor Nursing Home; Melanie Wagner, Avera Clinic; Linda Unger, South Shore Care Center; Dawn Gordon, Minnesota West College; Wendy Donkersloot, Worthington Schools; Kylie Turner, Sanford Worthington Clinic; Adobe Connect: Nancyruth Leibold, SMSU; Carol Reichel, Mayo Health, Mankato; Anne Schultz, Minnesota West College PN student; Kim Lehrke, Minnesota West College.

Total number of Attendees: 24

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Welcome	Dawn welcomed guests and shared her appreciation. She explained the Advisory Committee meets twice a			
	year and the purpose of the Advisory Committee is to give insight and guidance to the program and to			
	make sure that our nursing graduates are meeting the needs of our facilities.			
Introductions	Kylie Turner, Sanford Worthington Clinic, chaired the meeting. Introductions of members present were			
	made. Adobe Connect was set up for those not able to attend.			
Approval of October Minutes	Minutes Approved.			
Curriculum Structure	Overview of the programs given:			
	Year 1: LPN level education, Diploma			
	Year 2: RN level education, Associate Degree			
	Year 1 and 2 – Full-time programs. Students can cut back to part-time based on life balance or academic progression.			
	General Education courses reviewed on program overview. NURS courses reviewed.			
	MW & SMSU have a dedicated partnership to support ongoing learning in SW MN.			

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	Year 3 & 4: RN to BSN at SMSU			
Accreditation for Nursing Programs from Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)	report - barely under the goal. 75% is minimum for MN Board of Nursing. Candidacy for PN program: Report accepted February 2018. Anticipate acceptance into Candidacy in May			
Program and Student Outcomes	m and Student Outcomes Reviewed Program Outcomes on website. As of Feb 2018:			
Program and Student Outcomes	Reviewed Frogram Outcomes on we	AS AS OF TED 2018.	PN	
	NCLEX Pass rates	79.73%	98.04%	
	Job Placement	100%	100%	
	Program Completion Rates	93%	53%	
	Student Satisfaction	88.10%	93.9%	
	Discussion on area for improvement – PN Program completion rates. Discussion - no competition to enter the program has changed the student preparedness and readiness for a rigorous program (some students enter with 2.0 GPA and no course preparation with the program expansion due to workforce needs a couple years ago). Adult learning (med surg) and Pharmacology are courses that weak students have trouble to pass. Program completion rates are measured by a student completing in 150% of normal program time. Working on ways to assist the weaker students to succeed. Reviewing program entry statistics. Seeking input from Advisory Committee – happy to have expanded program to meet workforce needs, but concerned about public image and safety of graduates. Also, the MW PN program has had a top NCLEX pass rate in the state for many years ('90s, '00s, etc). Discussion on time to let go of the longevity and decrease difficulty.			
	Discussion on students graduating u	nder the age of 18.		

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	Reviewed MW goals to educate adult learners. PSEO students are welcome, but those that can enter the			
	workforce (over 18) are given priority. Currently a student in the program (finishing LPN level) is 17 (high			
	school junior). Advisory Committee members discussed using lifts would be a limitation in LTC. Some			
	facilities have hiring practices that reflect 18 years of age and older. MW reviews potential limitation with			
	the students under 18 related to hiring practices. MN Board of Nursing does not have an age requirement			
	for licensure.			
Instructor Updates and Clinical Partnership	Instructors:			
Experiences – Nursing Department Faculty	Kim Lehrke – Several locations for student learning – facilities embraced students (i.e Hutchinson, New			
	Ulm)			
	Marissa Marten – Teams at Cross Roads Care Center and Sanford Worthington Medical Center provided			
	great experiences for students. Students were very happy with their experiences.			
	Donna Hage and Brenda Pomerenke – in class due to weather reschedule. Dawn reported that students			
	have been happy with clinical experiences/facilities during her facility visits.			
2018 Graduate Candidates – Employment	Graduation and Pinning Ceremonies:			
Opportunities	May 8 – Pipestone Campus			
	May 10 – Granite Falls Campus			
	May 11 – Worthington Campus			
	Graduates (candidates for graduation as of 4.9.2018):			
	AS – 74			
	PN - 47			
Student Representative Updates – Student	PN Student, Annie Schultz – Reported well-rounded experiences and clinical site location were support of			
Leaders	student learning (Redwood Hospital). Enjoyed the hospice, homecare, and clinic experiences in addition to			
	the LTC and hospital learning. Students sometimes struggle to meet the C grade in courses (80%), but			
	similar with many colleges in the area, state, and nation. Annie mentioned submitting her reusme and is			
	getting call backs from places already. She commented that she feels well-prepared from the MW PN			
	Program.			
	AS Student, Morgan LeBrun – Reported on feeling that she had fantastic clinical experiences. She			
	participated in 12 hours weekend clinicals at the Worthington Hospital (pros and cons to weekend). She			
	expressed her appreciation of the optic center as she learned many valuable skills. Morgan shared that			
	some students were frustrated with the ProctorU proctoring system early in the Fall term, but that student			
	have become more familiar this Spring.			

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Clinical Partners Updates – Partner Facility	Facility Partners:			
Leaders	Linda Unger (CRCC) – Reported that students did a wonderful job at their facility. Linda appreciated the			
	leadership at clinical (set up and instructor). Liked organization of the experiences. Applauded the			
	students and their future goals. Hope to retain/recruit as nurses, couple potentially joining their team as			
	NAs.			
	Employment report out: Various attendees reported LPN openings, especially in LTC. Occasional RN			
	openings also. Some LTC facilities would take either LPN or RN. Hospitals – RN openings only at this time.			
	Gwen Post (SWMC) – changes coming in orientation and mentoring of nurses at the hospital. Minimizing			
	turnover and employee satisfaction. Transition of care – 1 person, discharge planner. Clinical Leadership			
	role – changing structure for facility best fit.			
	Jessica Brouwer (Colonial Manor) – good student experiences. Appreciate having them.			
	Melanie Wagner (Avera clinic) – Working on staffing (newer to Avera clinic leadership role) and enjoyed			
	working with some students. Appreciate being on Advisory Committee to collaborate.			
	Kylie Turner (Sanford clinic) – Good. Enjoying having students. Appreciated having a clinical schedule with			
	structure. Thank you. Enjoyed partnership.			
	Wendy Donkersloot (Worthington School District) – Appreciates help from students for hearing/vision			
	days. Those students that dedicate time to participate appreciate the experience. Explore making the			
	experience required for more consistent participation? Good volunteer turn out from the PN students for			
	the flu shot days at all the district buildings in the Fall term.			
	Becky Engelking (Good Samaritan St. James) – staffing is a continuous challenge. Interested in hosting			
	students again if there is enough students from the St. James area to warrants groups. 8 acute beds at			
	facility. Shortage of nurses has led to TMA usage (appreciate online TMA courses).			
Upcoming Opportunities, College Updates,	Minnesota West has earned some honors over the past few months:			
Chair for 2018-2019, Next Meeting	Top Community College in Minnesota!			
	3 rd Best Digital College in the Nation!			
	Top Minnesota college for NCLEX-PN pass rates!			
	Student Housing – BlueJay Villas – opens at Worthington Campus in August of 2018			
	Study Abroad Service Learning Project in Ecuador, annually in May			
	Election of a chair for the 2018-2019 year. Kylie Turner was willing to continue serving in the chair role.			
	Advisory Committee members voted and approved Kylie Turner for the 2018-2019 chair of the Nursing			

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	Advisory Committee.					
	Customized Training can provide classes for NAs, TMA	s, general	IV trainiı	ng, simulati	on training	, etc. based
	on facility needs. Contact Megan Gorres, RN for assist	ance with o	course tr	rainings cus	tomization	. Additional
	NA, TMA, etc run throughout the year for area facilities	es.				
Follow Up Survey from Today's Meeting	The results from the Nursing Advisory Committee Feedback Evaluation follow:					
		Strongly	Agree	Disagree	Strongly	Not
		Agree			Disagree	Applicable
	I clearly understood the agenda and knew what we were	(11)	(1)	2	1	
	to accomplish at the meeting.	92%	8%			
	The agenda was well planned and organized.	(11)	(1)			
		92%	8%			
	The Minnesota West Nursing programs value our	(11)	(1)			
	committee's feedback, opinions and feelings.	92%	8%			
	I feel the members of the Minnesota West Nursing	(9)	(1)			
	Advisory Committee have input into the nursing processes and decision making.	75%	25%			
	(ACEN standard 1.3)					
	Program outcomes (NCLEX results, program completion	(10)	(2)			
	rate, satisfaction surveys and job placement data) are	84%	16%			
	shared annually with the advisory board at spring					
	Advisory meeting.					
	(ACEN standard 6. 3) This was an important and productive meeting.	(11)	(1)			
	This was an important and productive meeting.	92%	8%			
	The PN and AS program dean provides effective	(10)	(2)			
	leadership for the meeting.	84%	16%			
	The PN and AS program dean communicate effectively	(10)	(2)			
	with the committee.	84%	16%			
	I feel the members of this committee understand their	(10)	(2)			
	role and assignment.	84%	16%			
	I feel satisfied with the activities and accomplishments of the committee.	(11) 92%	(1) 8%			
	I feel my time and efforts are well spent in serving as a	(11)	(1)			
	member of this advisory committee.	92%	8%			

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Please discuss any area(s) in which you disagree or strongly disagree. Your suggestions for improvement are very important to us. If you would like a reply to some of your concerns, please identify yourself in the comments. If you choose to remain anonymous on this survey and still would like to discuss a concern, please notify Dawn Gordon at dawn.gordon@mnwest.edu	 Appreciate Adobe Connect option Nursing students under age 18 – if doing a clinical experience or preceptorship in my long-term care setting, or if new graduate applying for a job – would be unable to operate or assist with mechanical lifts. This would be a barrier to hiring a new nursing graduate or participating fully in a preceptor experience. Thank you for reviewing and offering discussion on the PN program completion rate. The lack of difficulty entering the program is a bigger problem for me than completion rate – if everyone can get in, seems natural that over half pass. Nursing school isn't easy and shouldn't be!
Next Meeting	The next meeting will be held October 1, 2018. Approved by members.
Motion to Adjourn	Adjourn.

Attachments as noted in Meeting Summary