

## **Dental Advisory Board Meeting Nov 1, 2018**

**Members present:** Bobbie Johnson LDA, Stacy Josephson LDA, Brandon Ulstad DDS, Carol Anderson DDS, Gary Plotz DDS, Makana Barker student, Denise Ahmann LDA – customized training coordinator, Sara Abrahamson DH – Dental Assistant Instructor, Teresa Noyes LDA – Dental Assistant Program Director

### **I. Reports**

1. Denise Ahmann, Customized Training; reported on the professional development courses offered through Minnesota West. The dental assistant students attended the fall infection control seminar.
2. Teresa Noyes, Dental Assisting Program Director; The program works with customized training to provide training in additional expanded functions for LDAs
3. Jackie Otkin, Dean of Allied Health: No report

### **II. Advisory Board**

- a. Member rotations
- b. New members – Will need 1 new dentist and one new assistant

### **III. Old Business**

- a. Accreditation progress report follow-up: Program received accreditation without reporting status in February 2018. Next site visit will be in 2023.
- b. Oral Radiology I add lab credit: It was approved that DEN 1100 Oral Radiology I should be changed from 3 lecture credits to 2 lecture 1 lab. DEN 1105 Oral Radiology II would be changed from 1 lecture 2 lab to 2 lec 1 lab.

### **IV. Curriculum - Dental Assisting**

- a. Program assessment / review: will continue to send questionnaires to externship offices to assess the effectiveness of the program.
- b. Adobe connect update: This is the second year of providing the program as a hybrid utilizing Adobe connect for the lecture portion. The students have the choice of attending lectures in person, live via Adobe Connect, or they can view the recorded lecture at a time that is convenient for them. The students do need to attend labs on campus.

There are three students this year that regularly utilize the Adobe connect. It was agreed that this is a good way to increase enrollment.

- c. Length of program: It was discussed if we should look at changing from a 1 year to a 2 year program. It was voted that we should continue with a one year program at this time.
- d. Expansion to Luverne: The initiative to expand the Dental Assistant Program to the Luverne center was discussed. The lectures will be provided via Adobe Connect or ITV along with the Canby Campus, with the labs available at Luverne. The board felt this could be beneficial to the program to attract students from the Sioux Falls area.

V. **Consultants 2019**

- a. This year's consultants: Need to line up yet. We will be having more Friday clinic days so it should be easier to get Drs. We will still need some Monday clinics.

VI. **Student related**

- a. 17 students in the program,
- b. Scholarships / funds needed (Southern District making donations)
- c. Marketing – It was discussed that we need to look at more ways to market the program to the North.

VII. **Equipment/ Technology**

- a. 5 year equipment plan-
- b. Received funding for Phosphor plate digital system.

VIII. **Other Concerns, Ideas, etc.**

- a. Partnerships with other agencies/organizations to enhance the program(ex: Open door, U of M): The board felt that it would be good to investigate ways to partner with other agencies to allow the students to get more hands on assisting with patients before externships.

VIII. **Adjourn**