## Radiologic Technology Advisory Board Minutes – May 10, 2021

Members present: Jackie Otkin, MN West Allied Health Director; Nicole Johnson, Murray County Hospital; Melissa Knudson, Sanford Family Clinics;, Christal Serie, Sanford Luverne; Valeri Wilkening, Heath Quiring, Windom Area Hospital; Madisen Melby, Avera Flandreau; Tara Kazemba, Sanford Jackson; Falon Paluch, Program Director; Sally Sieve, Clinical Coordinator.

Meeting was called to order at 1300 by Falon Paluch, Radiologic Technology Program Director

Agenda Item	Item Summary	Discussion/ Resulting Action/Decision	Responsible Party	Status/Due Date
Introduction	Welcome			
Approval of Minutes	Minutes from last advisory board meeting of 9.15.20 were emailed to members prior to meeting	No corrections or additions to 9.15.20 meeting minutes	Motion to approve: Nicole Johnson Motion seconded: Melissa Knudson Motion carried	
Adoption of Agenda	Agenda dated 5.10.21	-No discussion followed	Motion to approve: Melissa Knudson Motion seconded: Nicole Johnson Motion carried	
Old Business				
New Student Orientation	Orientation held 4.12.21 via zoom	18 new students started for this fall. Student applicants must complete their application all online this year.		CLOSED
COVID/Vaccine Update	N95 masks	Checked with clinical sites present to see if students would need N95 to be present with Covid		CLOSED

	Covid vaccine requirement	patients. Answer was overwhelmingly yes, especially for surgery. Program will pursue ordering N95 masks for current students.  No one present at the meeting is requiring Covid vaccines for employees/students at this time.		
Assessment Plan	Update	The assessment plan was reviewed and analyzed by advisory board last fall during the advisory board meeting. It was then finalized by the program officials. The only update made to the assessment plan was to implement more image critique in the exposure courses.		CLOSED
Accreditation Update	Site Visit was this past October 1 & 2 <sup>nd</sup> .	Citations from the site visit are outlined on the attachment. Overall, the visit went well and had no major issues. Program has not received a final response yet from the JRCERT.	Final results will be passed along once the JRCERT sends those.	OPEN
New Business				
Shielding Policies	Asked for feedback from clinical sites	-Clinical feedback from Sanford Sioux Falls was shared. They have moved to a "no shielding" policy based on the ACR study. Students will still be able to shield there, but they are no longer shielding routinely.  -Other members present stated that their shielding policies had not changed.  -The program will continue to teach shielding for anyone in reproductive age group if it does not interfere with the exam.	Program will continue to re-evaluate as shielding policies evolve in the clinical setting.	OPEN
Intro Class Incoming Students		Advisory Board felt class would benefit from revamping the curriculum and adding a very basic 1 credit intro class that would be required of incoming students. It would be offered both fall and spring semesters as options for students to take. This class would highlight areas of the field as	Falon and Sally will make plans for this course in the upcoming academic year.	OPEN

		well as require job shadowing in hopes of		
		improving retention rates of students.		
Graduation Requirements		Site visitors indicated that having the 1395 total clinical hours in the handbook is something that is sometimes not attainable, so should not be something we publish. Program will look into publishing a lower number that can be attainable with snow days, etc. that students miss, but also add verbiage to allow for the varying graduating clinical hours.	Falon will update in the handbook and program materials with updated hours.	CLOSED
New Clinical Sites		With the current job market, the program is looking to expand clinical sites to increase capacity slightly. VanderMark Orthopedic in Sioux Falls only takes one student for fall and spring semester at this time.	Sally will be pressing further into this as they have 5 busy xray suites, so could increase clinical capacity. Other sites will be explored as well.	OPEN
Other Discussion		None		
Questions/Concerns				OPEN
				OPEN
Next Meeting	Oct 2021			
Adjourn	Meeting Adjourned	Meeting adjourned		

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Falon Paluch, Radiologic Technology Program Director