College of DuPage
Nursing Department
425 Fawell Blvd.
Glen Ellyn, IL

Advisory Committee Meeting
Minutes
October 26, 2010
6:30pm – 8:30pm
Room HS 1234

Facilitator: Vickie Gukenberger
Present:
External Partners
Mary Goldsher, DuPage Medical Group
Denise Kostelec, St. Patricks Residence
Ethel C. Ragland, Benedictine University
Ann Stezowski, Elmhurst Memorial Hospital
Janice Strom, Elmhurst College
Sally Strong, Marianjoy Rehabilitation
Connie Uhlken, Northern Illinois University
Jennifer Ulmer, DuPage Convalescent Center

Faculty and Staff
Robert Berry        Nancy Boutcher        Theresa Bucy        Rosa Colella-Melki
Larinda Dixon       Lynn Engelmann       Dilyss Gallyot       Vickie Gukenberger
Gloria Kas          Kim Oosterhouse      Donna Perchatsch    Jim Ryan
Carol Stewart       Maureen Waller

Recorder: Nancy Boutcher (these minutes approved on April 28, 2011)
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| 1. | Introductions                              | Vickie Gukenberger  | 1. Vickie called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and welcomed everyone  
2. Each participant introduced herself/himself  
3. Contact information was circulated for updating  
4. Vickie reviewed the newly formatted Nursing Department Web pages, where errors were identified  
   o Vickie encouraged agencies to provide information / documentation to have added  
   o Vickie encouraged everyone to review the site and send any corrections  
   o Also visited the Nursing Portal and Nursing Student Portal pages | Updates to contact information were received and will be made in the master roster.  
Need to change Kostelac to Kostelec on Committee list on the Web.  
Need to correct the link to www.co.dupage.il.us/convo/ on our Web page.                                                                 |
| 2. | Announcements                              | Vickie Gukenberger  | 1. Vickie reviewed the information provided in the folders:  
   a. Institute of Medicine Study Summary  
      i. Vickie noted this is the direction we want to be going  
   b. Illinois Center for Nursing  
      i. There are 2 handouts to review  
2. Save the dates:  
   a. February 9-11, 2011: NLCNAC Site Visit  
      i. Will want to meet with the Advisory Committee  
   b. April 27, 2011: Nursing Open House from 10am – 2pm in (tentatively) SRC 2800  
      i. Employees invited  
      ii. Institutions of higher education invited  
      iii. All health programs invited |                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 3. | Approval of April 22, 2010 Meeting Minutes | Vickie Gukenberger  | Minutes were reviewed and we discovered the Simia > Simla spelling correction had not been made.                                                                                                                   | Correction will be made to the April 22, 2010 minutes.  
Theresa Bucy motioned to accept the minutes with correction and |
### 4. Curriculum Updates

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1. We’ve worked hard to align clinical evaluation tools with our program updates and to position ourselves to respond to criteria for curriculum.

2. Labs equipped with automatic medicine dispensing systems, vital sims, crash carts, new beds and IV pumps.

3. We’re using capital monies of $20,000 to purchase an electronic medical records system.
   - Clinical sites have gone to e-charting
   - Will significantly enhance learning
   - Looking at Springcharts and Nursesquared

4. Joint simulation in OB; Collaboration between respiratory care and surgical tech; Including c-sections and high risk pregnancies.

5. A broad discussion continued regarding charting in the real world.
   - Kind of a moving target with healthcare changes
   - Sites use different systems
   - A bit of a weak area; students need to think about what they’re writing and practice narrative charting
   - Students get better over time on the job
   - Strategies include:
     - Narrative versus checkboxes
     - Incorporate “interruption cards”
     - E-charting doesn’t simulate critical thinking

   - Interdisciplinary activities
   - Would make it available to our partners for
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### 5. New Developments

#### Elmhurst Hospital

Will be moving June 25, 2011. The hospital will have a very different look
- No central nursing stations rather many more smaller ones
- Still figuring out how that’s going to work
- 5 units + 1 small unit
- Currently packed full with student rotations (Elmhurst College, COD, Triton, Chamberlain, and Lewis University has 1 class)

#### General comments
- decentralized nursing stations and private rooms reduce the level of learning and sharing
- noticing personnel issues on weekends and nights
- noticing more CNA vacancies than RNs
- AACN published on the lunar generation
- CNS is changing staffing guidelines; gradual increase over 5 years; more staff per patient
- Healthcare Reform: capitalize on primary care; who will fill the sub-specialty areas?
- Out of practice nurses coming back due to husbands losing jobs
- COD offers a refresher course

#### Education

Magnet hospital status:
- BSN in 10; 14 criteria but facility decides how to implement; no mandated percentages
- BSN looks good on a resume, as does any job in the field
- BSN is not sanctioned for community colleges in Illinois
### Recommendations for students
- Get your foot in the door
  - Online applications don’t make it easy to sell yourself
  - Helps to know someone
- Good communication skills
- Good work ethic and accountability
- Don’t bring your kids to the interview
- Know a second language
- There are difficulties when a CNA moves up to RN in the same facility, working with fellow CNAs

### 6. 2009 – 2010 Program Numbers

**Vickie Gukenberger**

Vickie reviewed the handout covering our program application numbers, admissions and completions.
- We’ve seen a drop in applications; could be due to variable tuition

### 7. Program Outcomes and Student Assessment

**Faculty**

**NLNAC Program Outcomes**
- We have met or exceeded NCLEX pass rate for the past 3 years
- Using the HESI to let students know where they’re at; take it early on, then later, to prepare for NCLEX
  - % goes toward their final grade
  - Seeing scores creeping up
- We reviewed pg 2: Mountain Measurements

**Employer surveys**
Kim Oosterhouse offered employer surveys to those who are present.

**Student surveys**
Theresa Bucy commented that we are still receiving student surveys, and regarding the transition program, everyone passed on the first try.

**Fingerprinting process**
Gloria Kas reported that we have instituted the new
fingerprinting process and have learned the potential issues and how to streamline the process for next time.

**Lift Policy**
Gloria also reported that the Department of Labor instituted a new lift policy restricting those under age 18. This could impact curriculum.

**Drug Screen vs employment**
The consensus around the room is that a new hire with a positive drug screen would never be hired.

| 8. | Adjournment | Vickie Gukenberger | Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm |