Name of Career & Technical Education Program or Regional Center: Nursing Department Program Advisory Committee Minutes

Corrections made at the April 2014 meeting are noted in red.

Date: 10-23-2013
Time: 6:30-8:20
Location of Meeting: HSC 2139

Members Present (full names) and Expertise/Area Represented:
- Joan Libner, Benedictine University
- Connie Uhlken, NIU
- Sandra Palmer, Alumni
- Katie Weibel, Adventist Midwest Health

Members Absent/Excused:
- Pam Clementi, LUMC
- Pamela Dunley, Elmhurst Hospital
- Naheed Hasan, COD Faculty
- Jill Hlavacek – District 204
- Mary Beth Marshall, DuPage Workforce Board
- Linda McCann, Governor’s State University
- Debra O’Donnell, CDH
- Mary Pat Olson, National Council of State Boards of Nursing
- Sheryl Palicki, TCD
- Phyllis Royster, DuPage County Convalescent Center
- Shawn Tyrell, Adventist Hinsdale Hospital and Midwest Region
- John Vrba, Burgess Square
- Bethany Whitney, Student Rep., C.O.D.

College of DuPage Administrators/Staff Present (names and titles):
- Vickie Gukenberger, Associate Dean
- Donna Badowski, COD Faculty
- Janice Miller, COD Faculty
- Kim Oosterhouse, COD Faculty
- Guest - Carol Stewart, COD Faculty

Meeting Facilitator (name):
Vickie Gukenberger

The Minutes:
1. Member present introduced themselves. Meeting called to order and agenda approved
2. Minutes from the April 11, 2013 meeting approved with edits. Minutes are posted on the Nursing Department web page, Advisory Committee link.
3. Partner updates:
   a. Katie Weibel reported the following changes impacting practice related to the Affordable Care Act:
      i. Decrease inpatient day
      ii. Change in nurses’ role and places of employment
         1. Need to move beyond the inpatient nurse role (care manager, transitional care coordinator)
      iii. Expansion of OBSERVATIONAL Care Units
         1. Response to the “2 midnight rule” that became effective October 2013 (patients expected to stay less than 2 midnights admitted to observation unit; if more than two midnights admitted to hospital)
         2. Nurses can get 3-4 patients who change in a matter of hours
      iv. Adventist has a new physician position: Chief Integration Officer
      v. Increase number of MDs being employed by hospitals
      vi. Home Health; 72 hour rule before going to Nursing home for Medicare to cover.
      vii. Focus on population based care
      viii. Nurses need to understand the implications of financing on health care
         1. Core measures and implications for
            a. Finances
            b. Best practices
   b. Sandra Palmer shared options related to alternative medicine options to the high cost of health care.
      i. Embrace patient in partnership for care decisions
   c. Joan Libner reported that
      i. BenU has three cohort 3+1 one opportunities underway: COD, Triton, Morton
         1. Students’ are given priority for college of graduation; however, they may also fit into other cohort group depending on students’ time of interest in starting the program.
            a. COD cohorts start in January and August.
         2. Really want BSN completion students to have RN,
      3. Exploring an RN to BSN program in a pilot offering with Kishwaukee. Harper College. Student can take the Health Assessment and Pathophysiology nursing courses while still in A.D.N. program. Health Assessment and Pathophysiology courses can be proficiency tested out of (2-3 credits).
            a. Vickie G. reported that this is an option COD would like to offer.
      4. Adopting a more hybrid approach to offerings
         a. Courses would be 5 weeks, with 17.5 hours of face-to-face
         b. Use the “DESIRE TO LEARN” academic management platform
5. Four courses in MSN program can be taken in BSN completion program to promote access/completion of MSN.
6. Students are encouraged to apply for BSN completion program when in 4th semester of A.D.N. program

d. Connie Uhlken noted that NIU’s undergrad program is bursting at the seams. Many BSN completion students start out with face-to-face offerings, but move to on-line courses as they continue/complete the program. Finances have made hiring more faculty. Exploring other options for BSN completion or RN to MSN is challenged by this limited resource. Vickie mentioned perhaps a grant involving practice, A.D.N. and B.S.N. partners could be explored

e. Vickie Gukenberger shared ideals/priorities for BSN/MSN completing degrees
i. Dual enrollment
ii. Hybrid offering
iii. RN to MSN
iv. BSN courses that might be offered by COD, i.e. geriatrics, patho, physical assessment, and be transferred in for BSN above the “package” of 30 credits
v. Program to program articulation
vi. Agreements need to be updated based on the new A.D.N. curriculum

4. Civility project: Carol Stewart visited the meeting to discuss her CIVILITY project designed to address Civility in workplace and school. Advisory Committee members were asked to participate in the forthcoming survey.

5. COD Nursing Update:
   a. The nursing curriculum plan was introduced
      i. 80 students admitted to this program offering in August
      ii. 77 progress to the 2nd 8 week offerings
   b. Reported growing difficulty in securing traditional (hospital) clinical sites
      i. Hospitals hiring BSNs
      ii. Exploring other clinical options including Long-term Care, Rehabilitations, Community organizations
   c. Admission practice updates
      i. Started the admission of 80 students twice a year (August, January) this year.
      ii. Offering additional seats in the 2nd year of the current curriculum to get any students needing it (readmitted students; LPN transition students) to meet graduation requirements…as such, there are 139 students in the 2nd year of the program.
      iii. Kim Oosterhouse provided program evaluation highlights
         1. There were 115 graduates in 2013
         2. 2012 graduate follow-up reports showed (40 responses)
            a. more non-hospital settings as place of employment.
            b. 75% had jobs within 6 months
         3. 89.5% retention/completion
      iv. The Student evaluation of clinical site survey was shared.
d. Final class of Practical nursing students to graduate in December

e. Nursing assistant course moved to Westmont campus

6. Staffing updates: Vickie reported the current interviewing for the Full-time simulation manager; also, two (2) new faculty positions have been approved for the 2014-2015 academic year.

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Time that this meeting was adjourned: 8:20 p.m.

Minutes prepared by (full name and date): Vickie Gukenberger, PhD RN, Associate Dean.