



ADDICTION COUNSELING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Friday, October 14th, 2022 * 11.30am-1.00pm
Zoom Online**

Members Present Lynette Tracy (Committee Chair), Lifeline Connections; Ken Burton (Vice Chair), Lifestance Health; Rebecca Bradley, Rainier Springs; Kristopher Chew, Portland Community College; Elizabeth Lorenzo, Lifeline Connections; Kelsey Loy, Family Promise of Clark County; Sean Moore, Workforce SW;

Members Absent: Mariele Balasbas, Boys and Girls Club; Vince Collins, Recovery Café; Aaron J. Larson, American Behavioral Health Systems; Sebastian Molfa, Columbia River Mental Health Services; Katie Moore, Daybreak Youth Services; Laurie Ellett, Helping Professionals Wellness Center; Denice Hurley, Cowlitz Tribal Treatment;

Clark College: Marcia Roi, Department Head; Chris Thompson, Clark County/Instructor/Advisor; Jim Jensen, Instructor; Don Ludwig, Interim Dean; SueAnn McWatters, Program Specialist – Advisory Committees

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of *June 10th, 2022* were presented for approval. Ken Burton motioned to approve. Lynette Tracey seconded and was unanimously approved.

NEXT MEETING DATE

February 3rd, 2023 at 11:30am.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE COLLEGE/DEPARTMENT

Don Ludwig stated that the college just went through the mid cycle accreditation review. The major accreditation visit will happen in two years.

The job announcement for the Dean of Social Sciences is posted and will close very soon.

The college will most likely go through a huge reorganization in the next year or so, which means that ACED might be in a different unit than it is now.

The college is working on strengthening accessibility measures, which does include classes and making sure the professors have everything they need that meets accessible standards.

Marcia Roi spoke on the ACED program. She stated that they have filled one and half 101s. There are two 122s. They are changing the number from 122 to 204.

BASHS is running low.

Marcio was termed out as President for WACASE.

If there are students that are doing hours and are FINISHED with classes, they are allowed to test. They only need to finish the classes to begin testing.

Many students are happy to be back in the classroom than remote.

The department has three new faculty members: Esmerelda Garcia, Trista Breitenbach and Jason Robertson.

ONLINE/IN CLASS LEARNING

Field placements and online learning has seemed to show that soft skills have suffered. Marcia stated that she surveys the employers at the end of field placement asking them what was good and bad.

FIELD PLACEMENTS

The employer gets a 6-month test run of the student.

Lifeline has 22 interns and 22 supervisors. They have also hired two full-time interns to staff the quarter.

Elizabeth Lorenzo spoke on onboarding and working on some sort of plan on doing orientation for field placement.

BHSS CREDENTIALS

The Department of Health will introduce a bill in 2023 to create the Behavioral Health Support Specialist credential. There is a committee that is coming up with all of the competencies.

TIERED CREDENTIALING FOR ACED

This is being spearheaded by NWATTC. It is being explored in other states. CADC has a two-year and the SUDP 2 has a four-year degree. Will the employers pay a higher rate for the second tier?

It will be in winter term and be a special topic.

INDUSTRY UPDATES/OTHER NEWS

Lynette Tracy stated that there a lot of people in outpatient groups online, but not so many in person. They are at least staying full enough to operate a lot of groups. Ken Burton agreed that they are in the same boat. Many people do not want to come into the business.

Rebecca Bradley explained that they are having the opposite effect. They are actually having a space issue because so many want to come in and none want to do virtual.

The committee spoke a bit about the quality of wifi and equipment as a barrier for being virtual.

The meeting adjourned at 1:03pm.

Prepared by SueAnn McWatters