



DENTAL HYGIENE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
Monday, June 2, 2014
6:00 pm--8:00 pm
Health Sciences Center, Room 139

Members Present: Michelle Vincent, Committee Chair, Laws Family Dentistry; Kramer Ragan, Vice Chair, RDH, Jana Sarkkinen, RDH, Rose Family Dental; Dr. Steven Hokett, Salmon Creek Periodontics; Kaili Rutkowski, Palena Dental Arts

Members Absent: Melody Scheer, RDH, New Day Com. Dental Clinic; Ann Gilbert, University of Washington; Kim Milne, DDS, Family Health Center, Longview; Dr. David Swan, Retired Dentist; Dr. David Fitch, Retired Dentist; Dr. Russell G. Church DMD; Dr. Richard Mielke, Retired Dentist; Dr. Michael Rue, Minnehaha Family Dentistry; Dr. Peter Lubisich, Vancouver Pediatric Dentistry; Trisha Simcox, RDH, Kelly Venetucci, RDH

Clark College: Brenda Walstead, RDH, Director, Dental Hygiene; Honey Knight, Professor; Karla Sylwester, Instructor; Amy Johnson, Instructor; Becky Herman, Instructor; Kristi Taylor, Instructor; Kelly Pfeifer, Instructor; Blake Bowers, Dean, Business & Health Sciences; Shelley Ostermiller, Associate Director, Advising Services; Andreana DiGiorgio, Secretary Sr., Advisory Committees

Committee Chair, Michelle Vincent, called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

Because a quorum was not present, the meeting minutes will be sent to the members for a vote via email.

Director/Division Chair Report

Michelle took a moment to tell the committee that she and Director Brenda Walstead would like them to look at the bylaws at the fall meeting to discuss what changes can be made to help with quorum issues. This will be a fall meeting agenda item. Brenda added that they will be looking at attendance as well, to establish committee member attendance requirements.

Brenda began her report by saying she was pleased to announce that instructor Mike Ludwig, who has been an adjunct instructor for 15 years, has been hired as a full time, tenure track instructor as beginning fall 2014. She then covered the following updates:

BAS. Brenda said the Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene has been approved by the state. It still needs to be approved by Northwest Commission on Community Colleges and Universities (NWCCU), Clark College's accreditation body. She said we should hear from them by mid-August.

Remodel. Brenda reported that they are still in the process of getting the paperless management system, axiUm. The go-live date is July 1, 2014. She said there are funds left to remodel the waiting room and this will be done between spring break and summer. Very soon, she said. Brenda then invited everyone

to come to the new Dental Hygiene facility ribbon cutting ceremony on June 17, 2014, from 4:00—6:00 pm. The ribbon will be cut at 4:00 pm. She passed out flyers for the event.

Children's Dental Health Day (CDHD). Brenda said that there was some sort of breakdown in communication and or marketing for the Children's Dental Health Day. She said that area school nurses didn't receive the information. She reported there was not nearly the number of kids that usually attend and thinks there may have been a breakdown in the Health Department's Marketing Department. Brenda said that next year she would like to see the Dental Hygiene folks involved in marketing the event. A meeting will be held to summarize and make notes of how to make it better for next year and years to come.

Community service. Brenda said she and instructor Kristi Taylor visited some local schools and met with partners and career mentors. She said they are trying to get out into the community more, but recently, with the remodel, it has been difficult.

Brenda invited the committee to the next Clark College Board of Trustees meeting on June 11, 2014. She said this is when they present all the program changes to the board and will include the remodel, the BAS, new faculty, etc. She said they have 10 minutes to present. It will be held in Gaiser Hall, room 213 at 5 pm. After showing the committee members the video that was made by the Dental Hygiene faculty for the graduating class, Dean of Business and Health Sciences, Blake Bowers, said this is something that the Board would love to see at the trustee meeting.

2013-14 Work Plan

Michelle walked the committee through the work plan and gave an overview and status of items. She said that there were no changes at this point, however, she reminded the committee to continue to think about fundraising ideas.

One item Brenda reported on was assessing the Dental Hygiene program. She said they had their strategic planning meeting and continue to look at the CODA standards, among other things. She also told the committee that they go over the program outcomes on an annual basis. The outcomes are looked at very closely and are assessed, making sure the students are meeting the outcomes.

The work plan will be updated by Brenda and Michelle and distributed to the committee when it's complete.

Old Business

Michelle told the committee that because of the Foundation providing funds to purchase the north county land for a new facility, there will be no funding available for equipment for some time. Brenda said they will not get the periscopes or the typodonts.

New Business

Study Clubs. Michelle said there was some talk about using the clinic for study clubs.

Dental Hygiene Professor, Karla Sylwester, said that they are investigating the use of the facility for the Western Regional Examining Board (WREB). She said part of the approval process includes the WREB picking three different exam dates for anesthesia, restorative and clinical exams. She said they will make the decision of which sites are chosen in July. Karla said the schedule of exams will be made in September and they notify the approved schools. Karla says this is a money maker for the program, and there will be an update at the fall meeting.

Collaboration with Dental Society. Brenda said they would like to collaborate more with the Dental Society now that they have a nice, new facility. Dr. Hockett asked if they want to get the word out across the river and Brenda said absolutely. She said there could be study clubs, continuing education classes, etc. Professor Honey Knight mentioned that Corporate and Continuing Ed will charge a premium for the marketing and registration. Blake said there will be a lesser charge if there are CEUs offered.

Brenda thanked the Dental Society for the fantastic scholarship and gala. She said it was a great evening and three scholarships were given away to students. Dr. Hockett thanked Brenda for the donation of their old examination chairs. Brenda also said some of the chairs were donated to the Clark County Skills Center. Dr. Hockett said he has a three chair clinic in Battle Ground that is part of a community outreach center. He suggested that Clark students come do outreach and volunteer work under the supervision of an instructor and dentist at the clinic. The committee all thought this would be great experience for the students.

Honey then reported that the senior students are doing well. All the students who have taken their national boards have passed; they've also passed their anesthesia exams. They are currently taking their clinical board, and added that every submission was accepted. Mike Ludwig reported an 85% success rate in restorative boards. Brenda said the program graduation ceremony will be from 2—5 pm on June 14, 2014, and invited all to attend.

At the end of the meeting, Blake recapped that land has been purchased for a facility in north county and told the committee that the Foundation funds, which include Anderson funds, will not be available for equipment for some time. He said Dental Hygiene is still about \$200K in funding needs. He added that an endowment would be appropriate and necessary for equipment repair and replacement opportunities. Blake said that at the next leadership team meeting he will be asking approval for funding for the typodonts. He would like to see "endowment opportunities" put on the work plan for 2014-15. He also mentioned that the new north county facility will likely house most of the Allied Health programs, minus Dental Hygiene. He added that PeaceHealth has also purchased land there and has submitted state paperwork to open a 100 bed facility. Blake said there will be significant growth in the Ridgefield/Battle Ground area, and it will be a great asset for Clark College to have a facility there.

Next Meeting Date

After some discussion, the committee agreed to meet again Monday, October 6, 2014.

Michelle adjourned the meeting at 7:04 pm.