

**Nursing Advisory Committee Meeting
December 4, 2003 7p.m.**

Present: Colleen Martinson and Joel Anderson (PN students), Janell Hudson, Beth Wheeler, Traci Johnson, Deb Filer, Betty Carlson, Carmen Stinson, Dorinda Sorvig.

Discussion was held on what our industry would be like in the year 2010; Jan Gullickson and our programs will use this information for strategic long term planning.

Faculty asked if staff in the local facilities have noticed a difference in our PN grads since we implemented a team leader day. Those present thought there has been improvement.

Dorinda and Deb informed the group about the work of the Northern Tier Steering Committee for nursing in northwest MN and the possible changes in curriculum for the future. It's possible an IV course would be offered with these changes.

Dorinda talked to the attorney general for the MN Dept. of Health this week, and they are working on the feeding assistant course/curriculum. It is progressing very slowly.

Deb informed everyone that the AD program is starting a group of 20 students in Staples this spring. The internet is utilized as a support system in all AD classes. They may start a part-time group in East Grand Forks this spring, too.

No special needs for equipment were brought forward at this time.

Dorinda demonstrated a computer software program called "TLC hospital". It could be used in many ways; one way would be for a make-up day for students missing a clinical day. The group liked the looks of the program and encouraged faculty to purchase the program if possible.