

## Northland Community & Technical College - EGF OTA Advisory Committee Agenda

4/23/09 6-7:30 East Grand Forks Room 316

Membership: Judy Godfread, Tracy Cameron, LaVonne Fox, Hank Roehrich, Tammy Olson, Joni Armstrong, Cassie Hilts, Julie Grabanski, Tina Chaput, Janet Jedlicka, Jinelle Wavra, Bonnie Setness

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Topic	Responsible Party	Discussion/Outcome
1. Call to order		Cassie called the meeting to order.
2. Review of Minutes		Tracy motioned the minutes be approved and Jinelle seconded. Minutes were approved.
3. Update on a. Enrollment b. NBCOT exam	Cassie Hilts	<ul> <li>a. Nine students graduated in 2008. Sixteen students enrolled as first year students in the spring of 08, ten students will graduate in 09 (KB and LM), one of the students will come back next year (AD). We started the semester with eighteen first year students, sixteen students are scheduled to come back in the fall.</li> <li>b. 100% pass rate for 2007 and 2008. Seven first time test takers took the exam in 2008, all</li> </ul>
		passed the first time. Two students from previous years took the exam and passed.  Total of 9 students took the exam. In 2007, 13 first time test takers took the exam and pass.
4. Program activities a. Community lab b. Sensory motor workshop	Cassie Hilts	<ul> <li>a. Community lab has utilized community facilities such as Greater Grand Forks Senior Citizen Center, Mountainbrooke, LISTEN drop in center and Polk County DAC.</li> <li>b. Julie brought in a speaker, Pam Mueller, to do a sensory integration workshop for the OTA, PTA and Early Childhood Education students. The workshop is to be held Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>
Discussion on the direction of the profession		The biggest issue identified is the lack of professional behavior of students, especially the non verbal communication. Students are entering the field with a sense of entitlement, wanting salaries higher than employed practitioners, sign on bonuses, pick of the days they will work and no week end work. Some suggestions to deal with the nonverbal communication issues would

	be to have students do evaluations with cognitively aware elderly individuals. Ask the individuals for feedback on the students nonverbal – Did they use appropriate language, did the individual understand them, was their appearance appropriate?
6. Other	Marsha Waind has resigned from the committee and Jinelle Wavra has agreed to be on the committee.  We will not be participating in the college wide evening advisory committee meeting next year. It appears from attendance at this meeting that evenings are not a good time. It was also acknowledged that the AOTA national conference is being held this week and affected attendance.
7. Adjourn	Meeting was adjourned