



Northland Community & Technical College - EGF OTA Advisory Committee Agenda

10/09/12

6:00-8:00

East Grand Forks Room 360

Membership: Judy Godfread, Tracy Cameron, LaVonne Fox, Brian Huschle, Tammy Olson, Cassie Hilts, Kara Welke, Tina Chaput, Janet Jedlicka, Jinelle Wavra, Bonnie Setness, Jodi DiMaggio

Members Present: Judy Godfread, Janet Jedlicka, Jinelle Wavra, Cassie Hilts, Kara Welke

Topic	Responsible Party	Discussion/Outcome
1. Call to order	Judy Godfread	Called to order at 6:45 by Judy Godfread
2. Introduction of Faculty	Cassie Hilts	Introductions occurred.
3. Review of Minutes	Judy Godfread	Minutes approved with the following change: Topic #4 "The committee" will be deleted.
4. Update on a. Enrollment b. NBCOT exam	Cassie Hilts	Graduating 14 students out of 19 – one died in a car accident on her way to fieldwork last spring. 2 did not pass, and 2 dropped out. Current second year class started with 20 students; 1 did not return this year, and 2 decided to drop out this fall. Currently have 10 applicants for January 2013; There are several attending the pre OT class who have not applied yet.
5. Admission criteria for the OTA Program	Cassie Hilts	Students are struggling to find places to obtain volunteer/observation hours, especially in mental health. Currently, students must have 10 hours in Mental Health, 10 hours in Pediatrics, and 10 hours in Physical Health. Recommend that we have 30 total hours in observation, does not have to be in a specific discipline. This was approved. GPA has been increased to 2.5; this is already in place. We had tried to implement the HOBET test, but this has not been approved by administration yet.

		<p>Discussion regarding if other programs use this for admission.</p> <p>Discussed tracking of students interested in program. Cassie tracks this info. Janet suggested a mailing to students that have shown interest in the program. As well, as sending info to the intro to OT class.</p> <p>New: Students have to have a federal background check. Student is charged \$55 for background check. It occurs 2x – each year. Discussed the new process for implementing the new federal background check.</p>
6. Fieldwork issues	Kara Welke	<p>Current class that is out on Level 2 placements: 3 students have finished both fieldworks; 5 students done with one placement, and working on their second placement. 7 students are finishing up with their first placement and will be starting second placement in October or November.</p> <p>Fieldworks are in place for current classes level I and level II placements. Mental Health sites continue to be difficult to find.</p>
7. Strategic Plan	Cassie Hilts	<p>Met with advisory members this summer and they assisted Cassie. The current plan that ACOTE wants to be updated ends in 2012. In the process of starting the new plan that begins in 2012.</p> <p>This is the year when a biannual report is due.</p> <p>This is the year when a program assessment is due for the college.</p>
8. Discussion on the direction of the profession	Judy Godfread	<p>Discussion of OT going to OTD. A big push nationally to go there. Was some discussion about OTA program going to bachelor's degree program. This was voted down by the RA last year.</p> <p>Janet attended the AOTA director meeting in Orlando. Lots of discussion about higher education, for profits, graduation rates, student debt, defaulting on student loans. 1/5 households have some sort of student loan debt. Default rate has increased. Talked about the whole health care reform issues, and that we need to address skill set needed for screening clients. Make clear definition of what OT is and where we go with it.</p> <p>No matter what party gets in, there will be some form of health care reform.</p> <p>Interprofessional health care practice is a major focus. We need to look at what kind of resources we have and collaborate with each other. Working together to meet health care needs is key.</p>
9. Other	Cassie Hilts	Next meeting is Tuesday March 26, 2013 at 6:00 pm.
10. Adjourn	Judy Godfread	Janet made motion to adjourn at approximately 7:45 pm. Cassie seconded it.