



PTA Program Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Room 314
October 29, 2013
6:40 PM

Attendees: Justin Berry (PTA Program Director), Shelley Koerber (PTA ACCE), Dawn Eickman (PTA faculty), David Relling (UND-PT faculty member), Karen Cole (PT member), Dawn Miller (PTA member), Kevin O'Brien (PT member), Craig Hahn (PT member), Kaila Kowalski (PTA Program alumni member), Kerry Jaeger (English Instructor/Liberal arts faculty member), Ben Holter (2nd year PTA student representative), Amy Jenson (1st year PTA student representative)

Topic	Discussion/Outcome
1. Call to Order	Meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM
2. Introductions	Introductions were made by committee members. New members Karen Cole, Kaila Kowalksi, and David Relling were welcomed.
3. Approval of Minutes from past meeting	No changes were recommended for Spring 2013 committee members
4. Report from Program Director & Program Demographics/Outcomes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Update on Program Demographics and Outcomes was presented: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Scores for NPTE are going well. Current 3 year average (94.7%) is comparable to national average, which is around 94%, as stated by David Relling, who is a FSBPT Board Member. -Program has its highest 1st-2nd year retention rate, HOBET is probably helping quite a bit. Justin is tracking HOBET scores to GPA and program success. -There continues to be a lot of interest and applicants to the program. Program faculty are glad they are not having the extremely high numbers of applicants some other MN-metro programs and WI programs are having. -2013 Entering class has an average age of 28, with 7/18 students already having a bachelor's degree Program Sustainability report is very positive, the program has received a positive score for all six criteria. Regional job market is still strong, for the most part, graduates are not having

	<p>difficulty finding positions.</p> <p>4. Accreditation timeline: On-site visit is scheduled for November 2nd-6th. There is a meeting with advisory committee members and recent program graduates on Monday, November 4th. Kevin, Dave, Kerry, Kaila, Craig, and Dawn will all be able to attend.</p> <p>5. 2 second year program students will be presenting a research poster at APTA's Combined Sections Meeting, Feb 2014 in Las Vegas. It is not common for PTA students to present research at a national conference.</p> <p>6. Assessment: response rate is low for two groups Employers of Graduates and Advisory Committee. Committee members recommended having Advisory Committee complete survey at the end of the spring meeting, and sending personal emails initially for employers of graduates with at least one follow up email. This will be completed by the Program Director.</p> <p>7. Karen Cole asked about if the program is considering an expansion. The history of a possible expansion was discussed, as an expansion was approved by the advisory committee and AASC several years ago, but then placed on hold over concerns of clinical education site limitations when Jamestown University announced they would be starting a DPT Program in Fargo. This will be looked at again once Jamestown has all 3 classes to see if there is a negative impact on our clinical site availability.</p>
5. Report from Program ACCE	<p>1. We continue to pursue additional contracts in geographic regions where needed.</p> <p>2. Total sites: 121; total contracts 56; total positions 371 per year.</p> <p>3. Due to concerns uncovered in our assessment process regarding some inconsistency in CPI grading, Shelley will be having an information session for clinical faculty this December on CPI grading and the expectations of each full-time clinical</p>
5. Committee Constitution review	<p>1. Committee reviewed, specifically the areas of representation. It was decided to add "Active Clinical Instructor" to the list. There are currently 3 active CI's on the committee.</p> <p>2. It was also discussed to possibly add Employer/Supervisor of graduate to the list. The committee recommended Theresa Jurgens or Jessica Strand to a committee position to fulfill this role. Justin will see if either is interested in serving on the committee starting in Spring 2014. If so, we will look at adding this area at the spring meeting.</p> <p>3. Discussion was also held about adding "Pediatrics" to the representation list. Karen Cole will be on the committee for 3 years. It was decided not to formally add this area as it may be difficult in the future to fill this position if a pediatric therapist is not available.</p>
6. Membership representation review	<p>1. All areas are currently represented on the committee.</p>
7. Program admission requirements Update & possible addition	<p>1. The NCTC nursing program currently does not allow students who are not in good academic standing (on probation) to enter their program. Before this year, the PTA</p>

	<p>Program has had 4 students on academic probation enter the program, with none of the 4 being able to progress academically into the 2nd year of the program. The program has received approval from the Dean of Allied Health and Nursing to add this requirement to the program admissions process. Consensus of the committee was to approve this addition.</p>
8. Curriculum update	<p>1. 1st year of teaching Grade I-II joint mobilizations has gone well, slightly adjusted list of mobilizations students must be competent in for next year. Discussion by committee regarding what different state practice act requirements are regarding PTAs performing joint mobilizations took place. David Relling mentioned that the ND State Board of PT is currently revising its Policies and Procedures, and the current, not final, revision, continues to state PTAs cannot perform manual therapy such as soft tissue mobilization and joint mobilization. Justin will be sending committee members a copy of what each state allows. Ben Holter, 2nd year student, states the joint mobilization content went well.</p> <p>2. Multiple course objectives were revised by program faculty this past spring to ensure CAPTE standards were met and to ensure the objectives were correct in regard to how students were being assessed .</p> <p>6. Slight Change content from PTAS 2115 to PTAS 2111 is in the works for next year as core faculty are currently guest lecturing a small amount (approximately 6 hours) in each other's courses. Content is on soft tissue mobilizations and spinal stabilization. This can be confusing to students and causes some scheduling difficulty. This would make the course content more consistent.</p>
9., Strategic Plan Review	<p>1. This year's strategic plan was reviewed, which will focus on: Accreditation preparation, Improving content in PTAS 2160; the PTAS 2115/PTAS 2115 switch mentioned above; and instructing clinical faculty on CPI grading.</p>
10. Adjournment	<p>8:00 PM</p>

Next Meeting: Spring 2014