



PTA Program Advisory Committee Meeting Minuts

March 21, 2017
6:45 PM

Attendees: Justin Berry (PTA Program Director), Shelley Koerber (PTA ACCE), Dawn Eickman (PTA faculty), David Relling (UND-PT faculty member), Kaila Kowalski (PTA Program alumni member), Karen Cole (PT member), Jessica Strand, PT, MPT (PT member), Michelle Ellis, PTA, ATC (PTA member), Amber Finseth, PTA (PTA member), Troy Clemetson (1st year PTA student representative), Andrea Moses (NCTC Registrar's Office), Rob Jung (NCTC Biology faculty member)

Topic	Discussion/Outcome
1. Call to Order	Call to order at 6:45 PM
2. Approval of minutes	Minutes from the Fall 2016 meeting were reviewed, with no changes recommended
3. Report from Program Director	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Scores for NPTE are above the minimum required, but in 2016 the program had its lowest NPTE pass rate in many years. Program is hoping changes in admissions process and curricular revisions will assist with improving the NPTE score in the future.2. The program continues to have a strong admissions pool; and has strong employment rates.3. PEAT scores (mock licensure exam) scores are up this year. Comparison of scores from last 3 years were reviewed.4. Program Sustainability document was reviewed. Most health programs are down due to freeze in tuition over the past 2-3 years, and increased faculty salaries.

	<p>5. Developing PTA Programs in Minneapolis may impact clinical sites (potentially 2 developing programs). Rasmussen College had Candidacy denied in November 2016, but is appealing. Herzing University is also developing a program.</p> <p>6. At APTA CSM 2017, 4th year in a row NCTC students presented research at CSM; & Justin & Shelley attended CAPTE self-study workshop.</p> <p>7. Revisions to student collaboration projects with UND DPT Program were reviewed. Feedback for 1st year program was very positive.</p>
4. Clinical Education Update	<p>1. Program currently has 65 total contracts for 167 clinical sites. Total number of clinical education slots available to the program each year is 373. Outpatient slots: 218; Inpatient slots: 153.</p> <p>2. Shelley will be getting a group of CI's together from the Intro to Clinical Education course to discuss scheduling for the course.</p> <p>3. Shelley will be co-teaching a CI Credentialing course this spring.</p>
5. CAPTE Update	The program is making revisions to its curriculum and assessment process to meet the new CAPTE standards
6. Proposed curricular changes	Due to changes in CAPTE standards and elements, the program has proposed revisions to course objectives in 8 courses; and a revision to the course description in 1 course. After discussing the revisions, the committee did not have any concerns and approved of the changes.
7. Anatomy & Physiology	After discussion about placing a time limit on how long prior to program entry a student can take Anatomy & Physiology I and II, the committee approved of the program being consistent with the surgical technologist program, which states A&P must be taken within the 5 years prior to program entry. The committee agreed that this may be waived if a student is already working as an accredited health professional (like athletic training)
8. TEAS V for AH	After discussion, the committee approved of the program limiting the TEAS V for AH attempts to 2x/academic year for prospective students.
8. Committee Nominations	Jenna Hjelden, PTA; Charon Halverson, PT; Kaile Green, PT; and Stephanie Stauss, PTA were all nominated for upcoming openings on the committee.
9. Other items	Next meeting will be held in Fall 2017.
10. Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 PM.