



PTA Program Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

March 22, 2022

6:30 PM

Attendees: Justin Berry, Shelley Koerber, Ben Holter, Sydney, Tiffany, Brittany Neagbor, Kelly Osland, Katie Hatt, Dawn Eickman,

Topic	Discussion/Outcome
1. Call to Order	
2. Introductions and welcome to new members	Welcome to Brittany and Tiffany to the committee.
3. Review of prior meeting minutes	Fall meeting minutes were reviewed, no changes were recommended.
4. Update on program credit increase from 72-74 credits	1. Approved from the college's Academic Affairs and Standards Committee and from the state occurred in Fall of 2021. Letter has been sent to CAPTE letting them know about the change. It does not appear the program will need CAPTE's approval, but that we just needed to go through the correct steps and notify them of the change within the required time period. Justin will update the advisory committee about this during the fall meeting.
5. Report from Program Director, Program outcomes, and demographics	Overview of Program Demographics: The program did not fill the class this past fall, and COVID had had a significant impact on program graduation and retention rates over the past year. 4 students were readmitted into the 1 st year, spring semester class this year after not completing this semester in 2020. FSBPT pass rates are very good for the program, with the program being 100% over the past several years. The Content area reports also show that the program is doing well with preparing students for all areas of the NPTE at the moment. The program is working on more recruiting, with Justin performing some additional Zoom meetings with more high school career classes, and meeting with MSU-Moorhead exercise students in person this spring. The job market for PTA seems very good at the moment, with many facilities contacting the program for regional job openings.

6. Report from Program DCE	<p>1. Faculty activities:</p> <p>Justin: Current member of the college's Academic Affairs and Standards Committee, co-chair of NCTC's Institutional Review Board. Member of APTA Minnesota's Research Committee. Is Vice President of the North Dakota Board of Physical Therapy and is the 2022 North Dakota Delegate for the Physical Therapy Compact. Is on Sabbatical this spring and is assisting with 2 courses at the University of Jamestown's DPT program. Just had article published in the Journal of Allied Health, and was awarded the Feitelberg Award from the Academy of Physical Therapy Education for an 2021 article in JOPTE. Will also be presenting a course at the Minnesota Spring Conference.</p> <p>Shelley: Current member of the college fiscal committee; member of the APTA Minnesota DEI sub-committee; member of the GFPS Health Advisory Board; in Dec 2021 taught the program's annual CEU Course for Cis; Feb 2022 Lectured at UND Intro PT Course; April 2022 CCIP Course at UND with Cindy.</p> <p>2. Nicole Arends, outstanding student award from APTA Minnesota, presented at the</p> <p>3. CAPTE timeline: The program's next self study report deadline was extended by CAPTE due to a realignment of accreditation cycles. CAPTE will review NCTC at it's Fall 2024 meeting, which means the on-site visit will be scheduled for Spring 2024, which means the self study report will be due fall 2023.</p>
7. Discussion on curriculum	<p>1. Discussed how COVID has impacted the program's ability to do field trips, and the hope is that this can resume next fall.</p> <p>2. Discussed how the program faculty will be reviewing course objectives during the 2022-2023 academic year to see if any revisions need to be made prior to the next CAPTE self-study report.</p> <p>3. Discussed length and placement of clinical education experiences. Some CIs have stated in the past that a longer experience may be nice, student exit surveys and alumni survey results show students feel prepared for entry-level practice and the NPTE. Reviewed CAPTE guidelines for clinical education hours. Advisory committee members were okay with the current length and placement of clinicals.</p>
8. Friday, May 6 th mock student interviews, call for Volunteers, will be on campus at 10:30-12:00.	A call for volunteers for the mock job interviews for advisory committee members was made, and the program asked advisory committee members for recommendations for potential interviewers.
9. Discussion on current clinical environment seen by advisory committee members	1. There are a lot of PTA positions currently in the region. Around 6 just in Fargo alone right now.
10. Nominations of new members	Amber Richards, PTA from Fargo was recommended to be on the committee starting in the fall. Justin will contact her.

11. Adjournment	7:24 PM
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Next Meeting: October 2022