

## **Surgical Technology Advisory Committee Agenda**

4:00 February 5, 2010 at Altru Hospital

### **Agenda Items**

#### **Graduate Review:**

20 graduates: 17 employed, 1 offered employment, 2 unable to locate  
85% placement rate

Discussion of the current slow-down in hiring across the health profession, related to the current economy. Members of the advisory stating there are still jobs available.

#### **Curriculum:**

1. Review of the program outcomes. No changes suggested
2. Review program curriculum changes
  - a. Proposed change to the current intro course to include surgical pharmacology, anesthesia and patient care concepts as the students visit the local OR it would be beneficial to have some basic knowledge of the patient experience. Approved by vote
3. Review clinical case resource guide.
  - a. Numbers of clinical cases, surgical specialties all reviewed for scope and basic understanding of the kinds of cases counted in the clinical case database. Graduate case logs from the previous 2 years were reviewed. Some suggestions were made on the cases the students need early in the clinical progression: more General surgery cases, Ortho and ENT would be helpful to the student learner new to the OR.

#### **Other:**

1. Discussion of possible donations to the lab. Outdated disposable items safe for use.
2. Discussion of shadowing experiences for the students and what is expected of staff.
3. Proposed change in orientation for students attending clinicals. Decision to use one full day of orientation aside from the introductory experience.

Attending: Ruth LeTexier, Susan Moe, Sabina Laughlin, Rosie Hultberg, Diane Ness, Mindy Woidtke, Dr. DeBeltz, Nancy Loiland (Guest)