## Surgical Technology Advisory Committee Agenda

4:00 March 8 at Altru Hospital

Agenda Items Graduate Review:

<u>17 graduates:</u> 16 employed, 1 continuing education 94% placement rate

Members of the advisory stating the job market and openings looks favorable.

## **Curriculum:**

- 1. Review of the program outcomes. No changes suggested
- 2. Review program curriculum changes
  - a. Program director announced changes coming in the near future as a result of a revised core curriculum from the AST. Program has until 2012 to implement changes.
  - b. Long discussion of current clinical curriculum. Board members would like to see the summer clinical end or folded into the spring semester. Concerns about the program completion date in June other programs in the area are completed in May. Program director offered anecdotal input from past graduates. Committee agreement to support a curriculum change to remove the summer 3 clinical and consolidate the clinicals in the spring semester.

## Other:

- 1. Discussion of small cohort size for FY10-11. Program director offered generic information regarding the student struggle to balance work, credit load, personal life and obligations. Estimated 18-20 students for FY11-12.
- 2. Discussion of state funding for the program, and the need to collaborate with the clinical partners to continue providing a quality educational experience.

Attending: Ruth LeTexier, Chris Boman, Susan Moe, Sabina Laughlin, Natalie Svendson, Diane Ness, Mindy Woidtke, Dr. DeBeltz, Janell Sovich