Minutes: October, 17, 2013 Noon, BioScience Bldg. 127

1. Introductions- Glenn Brown, Jupiter; Shannon Cavallo, Jupiter; Gena Green, St. Mary’s; Selina Young, St. Mary’s; Charlotte Dolan, GSMC; Kara Burke, JFK; Angela Wheeler, VAMC; Alan Levine, Midtown Imaging; PBSC- Michele Balik, LeeAnne Decker, Patty Braga, Mike Latimer, Vicki Shaver, Bob Van Der Velde.

2. Radiography
   a. Student Selection- Two students have submitted requests for re-admission. After much discussion regarding individual circumstances, Brittany Cifrodella and Nathalie Josma were declined for re-admission.

   b. LeeAnne Decker presented the applications for admission for 2014. The top 32 were accepted. Letters are prepared for mailing this week. Seats not taken by the top 32 students will be offered to those following in rank order until the class begins in January. Orientation is scheduled for November.

   c. Review of Admission Standards- after review and discussion, the admission process was approved. BPC members expressed concern about students knowing about the field of radiology prior to taking a seat in the class. Ideas that will be explored from this discussion include showing “youtube” videos of selected radiologic procedures at open house sessions, so that students have a better understanding of what we do. The number of hours required for observation have dropped from eight to four. The number of sites allowing observers has also dropped due to corporate policy.

   d. 2012 Annual Assessment Review- The assessment plan was reviewed and modifications for specific measurements were discussed and approved. After reviewing the program learning outcomes, the group was pleased with our current status and accepted the report. One area of continued interest is image evaluation. We did not meet the benchmark set for this area and will be working on ways to improve this skill in the student population. One approach will be to implement new practice sessions in the lab. Jennifer Yapell, the new lab instructor is taking a novel approach to image evaluation and we will measure these efforts in the spring to evaluate any change. Another area that we have been monitoring is performance in the physics and instrumentation, and exposure segments of the ARRT exam. Mike has
modified the curriculum in the Imaging I and II classes to update the information and developed lab exercises to emphasize digital imaging over film/screen technology. The curriculum changes recommended by the BPC in the Spring have moved forward to the college curriculum committee and were approved. These changes have been implemented in the class and lab. We will follow the progress and compare to our trends outlined in this report.

e. Review of Program Handbook - Policies and Procedures were reviewed with great input from the committee. Specifically, the evaluation forms have been revised to better reflect the detail needed to provide adequate feedback on student performance. We have separated the measurement items such as communication and professionalism and several other line items that were vague. This will allow us to address concerns in the clinic and better measure these areas for program assessment. The final comp sheets have also had a major overhaul to better reflect the current practice in the community. Some discussion centered on the ARRT requirements versus the higher number required by the college. The committee agreed that the higher number was an appropriate reflection of what is expected in our community for an entry level technologist. The total number of required competencies is 62, as opposed to 35 for the ARRT. Additionally, the students tend to exceed that benchmark by a significant margin. These required comps also include CT, which the group recommended.

f. The China Experience 2013 was sponsored by the Medical Imaging Club, Patty Braga and Vicki Shaver both participated in this CE course, along with several students from the health sciences. Vicki presented a ppt outlining the educational trip which occurred in May. The group attended lectures at hospitals and studied traditional Chinese medicine principles as they compare to western medicine. We were able to observe patient treatment areas including acupuncture, moxibustion and cupping. We visited neonatal intensive care units and pharmacies. We learned about cultural preferences for western diagnostics and the integrated treatment programs that combined ancient techniques with modern therapies. We will offer the China Experience again in 2015 through the continuing education department.

RSNA 2013- Charlotte, Cindy, Kara, Gena, Vicki and Mike will be attending RSNA this year in Chicago.

h. The Medical Imaging Club has elected new officers and will be participating in campus events and community events such as the Komen Race for the Cure.

3. Sonography
a. 2012 annual report – The annual report was presented for review. The Sonography program met all of its benchmarks except for attrition. Changes
have been implemented to the required open house session and will be monitored.
b. Class of 2013-2014 – The new class began in August. There are 17 students this year.
c. 2014 1st Annual Palm Beach State College Sonography Lectures. – We are planning on offering a 4 CME half day lecture series to the local community. The students will use his as a fund raising event to go to the SDMS conference next year.

4. Advanced Technical Certificates
   a. CT- offered in Fall and Spring, taught by Tracy Adams is running smoothly. We will evaluate the necessity and/or value of offering this twice each year.
   b. MRI- began in August, taught by Lori Alonzo is running smoothly. This course is offered once each year.

5. Other-
   a. CI Meeting November 19th 1:00
   b. Clinical Luncheon- December 10th- noon
   c. Pinning- December 13th at 6:00pm- BB Meldon Hall
   d. Commencement- December 19th at 1:00pm- Fairgrounds

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Vicki Shaver