

**Instructional Faculty Consortium Committee (IFCC)
Dental Hygiene Meeting Minutes
Central Georgia Technical College- Building I Room 232
December 9, 2016-10:30 A.M.**

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Welcome

At 10:30 AM, David Byers called the meeting to order and announced that Barbara Jansen would be taking the minutes and serving as the secretary during the meeting.

Holly Free also welcomed everyone and introduced Kristan Douglas, Vice President for Academic Affairs at West Georgia Technical College. She thanked Ms. Douglas for attending today's meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Several typographical errors were noted in the previous minutes from January 28, 2016 and were corrected. Suzanne Edenfield made a motion to accept the corrected minutes and they were unanimously approved.

TCSG Updates

Accuplacer has now replaced COMPASS as the entrance placement exam for all technical colleges. It is not a TCSG mandate that a college's Admissions Office must be in charge of competitive admissions.

The Healthcare Science Certificate is not used by all colleges. A number of colleges are directly admitting students into the DHYG program. If a student is not selected based on prerequisite grades, he/she is "heavily advised" to pursue another healthcare program.

Holly Free informed the consortium about a recent meeting in which she attended that discussed admissions criteria for competitive admission health sciences programs. During that meeting, TCSG Attorney Linda Smith referred to the TCSG policy that prohibits programs from requiring mandatory observation/shadowing hours as part of the admissions criteria. Several members of the consortium expressed concerns over this policy. Ms. Free reminded the members that no subjective data such as interviewing or shadowing/observations can be utilized for admissions criteria. Since technical colleges are "open access" institutions and receive federal funding, subjective admissions criteria may not be utilized.

Tina Grile commented that her advisory committee members were very concerned about interviews being removed from admissions criteria.

Ms. Free was asked if programs could be consulted for input prior to decisions being rendered on important program policies such as admissions criteria. Ms. Free explained that she does not always have prior notice when such discussions arise. Ms. Free welcomed all members to send any concerns to her via email, and she would forward these concerns up the chain of command and discuss with administration.

Ms. Free also encouraged attendees to share her contact information with our Advisory Board members.

New Business:

MATH 1103

A discussion was held about adding MATH 1103 as an option for the mathematics course in the dental hygiene curriculum. Ms. Free will add "OR MATH 1103" to the mathematics options for the

dental hygiene curriculum in case some colleges offer this course. Ms. Free will also add the MATH 1103 as an option for Savannah Technical College's institutionally developed curriculum.

Bloom's Taxonomy Changes

A discussion was held regarding the 2016 Blooms Taxonomy changes. Due to the similarities in the 2014 and 2016 versions, the consensus of members present was to not to make changes to the standards at this time.

Patients not Present During Clinical Sessions

A question was posed regarding how programs handled students who did not have patients during clinical sessions. Atlanta Technical College requires students to have patients in the chair 85% of clinical sessions. Savannah Technical College allows students to miss a maximum of 6 clinic sessions. Any session missed above the maximum number of 6 results in an assigned grade of "0." Accreditation requires a minimum number of hours of patient care per week. Students are responsible for securing patients. Faculty help students secure patients when difficulties arise.

Textbooks for DHY 2070 Community Dental Health

Members were asked to offer suggestions regarding a textbook for Community Dental Health. Several programs are utilizing the following text by Christine Nathe:

Dental Public Health and Research, 4th Edition, 2017, Pearson, ISBN-13: 9780134255460.

Another text by Christine French Beatty was discussed:
Community Oral Health Practice for the Dental Hygienist, 4th edition, 2017, Elsevier, ISBN-9780323355254.

Lobby Day:

A discussion was held regarding Lobby Day at the Capital. One member asked if instructors are allowed to attend Lobby Day and take students. Ms. Free discussed the TCSG policy prohibiting any TCSG employee from participating in events such as Lobby Day. To clarify, TCSG employees cannot lobby during scheduled work hours, and TCSG employees cannot take students to Lobby Day. Employees could take leave and attend lobby day but they cannot represent themselves as TCSG employees.

Fluoride in Curriculum Content

A discussion was held concerning the subject of fluoride in the dental hygiene curriculum. Several programs indicated that Silver Diamine Fluoride is being discussed as a preventative agent in the lecture portion of the curriculum. At this time, no programs indicated they were administering Silver Diamine Fluoride in their live work clinic.

Next IFCC Meeting:

Members agreed to meet annually on the first Friday of November. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Friday, November 3, 2017, at CGTC in Macon at 10:30 AM. Dr. David Byers will chair the meeting and the CGTC Dental Hygiene Program Director on Warner Robins Campus will record the minutes. (Note- The current CGTC Program Director on Warner Robins campus, Dr. Barbara Jansen, will be retiring in May 2017).

The meeting adjourned at 12 noon.