

Helena College Department of Nursing Education

Meeting Minutes

Nursing Department Community Advisory Board

November 6, 2020

Members Present: Sandra Bauman, Cindy Bultena, Deb Charlton, Greg Thompson, Kristina Kenning, Debra Rapaport, Nanette Whitman-Holmes; Nina Morris; Sevda Raghib; Jamie Valdez; Phillip Sawatski; Tina Arvish

Recorded by: Brenda Johnson

This meeting was called to order at 12:00pm

Tonic	Discussion	Action
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Review of Minutes	No discussion	
Topic	Discussion	Action
Welcome	Debra Rapaport welcomed and thanked everyone for	
	attending via TEAMs. She went on to explain the absence of	
	Nursing Director Sandy Sacry from the meeting.	
Topic	Discussion	Action
ASRN program	Reported the pass rate at this time for the ASRN program is	
	93% for Helena College's spring 2020 graduates. 14 took and	
	passed. 2 students had yet to test. State pass rate is 89.3%.	
Topic	Discussion	Action
Pinning	The Nursing Department will hold two pinning ceremonies in	
	November due to COVID-19 and the need to social distance.	
	Morning of the 25 th will be for the 7 LPNs and afternoon of the	
	25 th will be for the 16 ASRNs.	
Topic	Discussion	Action
GEERs grant	Debra Rapaport reported on the GEERs grant Helena College	
	received in conjunction with Bitterroot College in Hamilton	
	Montana. This will allow for the LPN program to accept 8	
	students from Bitterroot College and 8 students from Helena	
	College. Nina Morris from the VA expressed interest in this	
	program change as the VA has a site in the Hamilton	
	community. Additional information will be presented at the	
	spring 2021 meeting.	
Topic	Discussion	Action
Next Generation	NCLEX will be changing their testing style in the coming years	Follow up
NCLEX	and all schools have been encouraged to change as well. More	on trainings
	critical thinking questions. More case study questions. Our	
	faculty will be attending trainings on this style so our	
	curriculum can adapt.	
Topic	Discussion	Action
Career Fair	Due to no face to face at this time there will be no career fair	
	held in the fall 2020 term.	