EMS/Paramedic
Advisory Committee
MEETING MINUTES

Growing jobs, careers, communities...

DATE: 4/9/14
TIME: 2:00 pm
LOCATION: ESTC 113, Weed, CA
COMMITTEE CHAIR: Mark Belden
PROGRAM
COORDINATOR: Beth Watt
STAFF: Robert Taylor, Dean– Career & Technical Education
Program Chair – Mark Belden
Note taker: Tiffany McDaniel

Present: Mark Belden, Beth Watt, Brian Witherell, Jean Johndreau, Jessica Christianson, Sunny Greene, and Robert Taylor.

COMMITTEE AGREEMENTS and/or RECOMMENDATIONS TO COS:

- Communicate with Wildlandfire.com/Firewhat.com about placing an ad on their website.
- Obtain curriculum approval for Advanced EMT.
- Implement a screening process for paramedic students.
- Review Active Shooter Policy.
- Purchase monitors, mannequins, and equipment as needed.
- Coordinate with Sam Lanier about EMS Classes with Siskiyou County Grant.

NEXT STEPS

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COMMENTS – RE: Program Development

- Review and Approve Minutes from Fall 2013, NCTI Goals and Objectives  Mark Belden, Chairperson
  - Motion for approval from Beth Watt, second by Sunny Greene, passed by committee
  - SSV update- no update
    - Active Shooter Policy up for review.
    - EMS in “warm zone” puts them at risk. Need tactical training.
  - NCTI update
    - No new progress in expansion
    - Degree Articulation with NCTI
      - Meets Paramedic requirements but still need 60 units, 2.0 GPA, & 12 COS units
      - At least 2 G.E. courses online offered by COS every term increases FTE’s and benefits students

COMMENTS – RE: Instruction and Curriculum

- EMT Enrollment  Brian Witherell
  - Enrollment & Retention are up 34/28
  - Affective requirement in classroom improves class involvement
- Paramedic Enrollment  Beth Watt
  - Enrollment is down, retention steady
    - 27 enrolled in the 10/2013 class, 5 no shows the first day, currently at 19
    - Lower enrollments considered to be directly related to increased programs in California across the state – Redding, Oroville, Sac State, San Diego, Bay Area – very few of the students now coming from out of the area
    - Submitted Retention Report to CoAMSP explaining why retention below 70%
      - 36% due to academic drops
      - Life circumstances was a large portion (i.e. parental deaths, back surgery)
  - Plan to increase Enrollment & Retention
• Hire a Tutor from the instructor pool – already implemented
• Administer EMT Standardized Test to student prior to orientation
• Assess those that have successfully completed program to create Rubric of successful attributes of students
• Have recent graduate at orientation to emphasize the expectations of the program
• New textbook this year that has increased: online materials & testing, audio and interactive tools, also at a lower cost
• Meet with each new student individually to develop their own learning plan
• Work with FireWhat to develop an ad for the program

• AEMT Implementation
  Beth Watt
  • SSV approval is complete
  • Waiting COS Advance EMT Curriculum approval
  • Start in Fall 2014
  • Amy Stacher will Instruct
  • Clinical & Intern Sites have been contracted and agree to take students if it does not overwhelm the students that they currently have

COMMENTS – RE: Student Recruitment & Marketing
• Chancellor’s Office has approved Recruitment for out of area
• Create a POP-UP for websites like Firewhat, promoting high standards at a low cost with a 100% pass rate with National Registry, 96% first time pass rate on NREMT
• Community Classes/Requests
  • Disconnect with Fire Departments and Training
  • Sam Lanier gearing up EMS Classes Portion of Fire Safe Grant

• PERKINS –
  • Good on Equipment
  • Would like more monitors
  • Would like more big mannequins

INDUSTRY UP-DATE
• Graduates are doing well in the field

COMMENTS –
• CTE Director Report
  • Credit for other 8 sites to receive credit through COS
  • Online AS Degree