

Histotechnology Advisory Committee

Agenda Tuesday, May 13, 2014 Biology Department Conference Room 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

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	Торіс	Updates/Discussion	Outcome
1.	Welcome and Introductions		
		The purpose of the advisory committee is to help ensure that Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs reflect the needs and current conditions of the workplace. The committee also provides information to help assess if graduates are capable of performing the occupations for which they have been trained.	
2.	Purpose of Advisory Committee	We depend on our advisors to help us stay current, and to assess curriculum for effective changes particularly for our lab sciences. Our industry advisors evaluate our equipment needs and inform us of changes in the histotechnology industry, keeping our HT Program up to date. The Advisory Committee is required for the college and for NAACLS. We meet 2 x's per year even though only 1 meeting is required.	
3.	Class Enrollment Spring 2014	HT 12 – 22 (started with 24) HT 16 – 20 (started with 21) Jennifer wants to revisit preparations for HT 12 to ensure that she is giving students every opportunity to adequately prepare for their HT courses.	This will be discussed at a different meeting.
4.	HT (ASCP) Exam Results	2013 16/17 passed on first attempt Unsuccessful student passed on second attempt Our HT Program graduates have achieved a 94% pass rate for 2013, well above national average of 66.8%. Jennifer wants to address these scores. The pass rates are higher than it use to be when there were 3 routes to do the ASCP exam including HS graduation and 2 years working in the field. Pass rate at that time was ~30%. The mean score on the ASCP exam for our graduates was 540, where as the average for first time attempts was 475, the national average (all attempts) was 455. 808 was the highest score in the nation, one of our students was close to 800. There are still NAACLS accredited programs that offer certificates without an associate degree. This is an avenue where HS grads can take the HT certificate Program then sit for the ASCP exam. Many that pursue this route do not pass. NAACLS has taken a formal position that students	Please go to NAACLS to support requirement of associate degree by public comment, Board meeting is September 18-19, 2014. Public comment is for 30 days. Jennifer will send everyone the link. We want to send many comments.

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Issue	 Bin/Future Agenda:		
13.	Adjourned	7:30pm	
12.	Fall Advisory Meeting	Nov. 18 or 25 or Dec. 2 or 9? Mt. SAC or host site?	City of Hope will host. Dec. 2 nd , 2014: 6:30-8:30pm
11.	Announcements	NSH Summer Symposium – Baltimore, MD Jun 13-14 NSH Annual Symposium – Austin, TX Aug 22-27 CSH Symposium – Scotts Valley, CA May 1-3, 2015 About 35 miles from San Jose, at the Hilton, Scotts Valley. Always looking for new innovative workshops.	
		LA/San Bernardino chapter has been dormant. Lydia Figueroa is now president. She is energized with the knowledge that Mt. SAC students are involved. This CSH Chapter will have a meeting approximately every 2 months with a speaker. Past workshops have been very successful. There will be a meeting mid October on a Saturday at Sakura. During the Summer the CSH Chapter will work to fill vacancies in chapter positions. The December meeting will involve a speaker and have a holiday theme. City of hope may be a workshop location for this local chapter of CSH.	