

**RVT/Animal Science Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, September 18, 2014**

- I. Welcome:
  - a. Pre-meeting: presentation from students (power-point on enriching the lives of our pigs within our swine operation)
  - b. Professor Waters began the meeting by thanking everyone for the efforts to meet and reviewed the purpose of our Advisory Committee
  - c. Introduction of new faculty-Landon Sullivan
  
- II. Approval of Minutes from March 20, 2014
  - a. Motion to approve minutes made by Jean Hoffman
  - b. Seconded by Lori Miser
  - c. Approved
  
- III. Fall, 2014 Class Updates: Professor Waters Presenting
  - a. Classes were once again full with full waitlists
  - b. 7 Sections were added – more than we have added before
  - c. We found ourselves having to turn away students from classes
  
- IV. RVT Student Updates: Professor Waters Presenting
  - a. We held three RVT Orientation Days this semester and had a total of 103 students that attended. We usually have an additional 10-15 students add above this number.
  - b. Spring, 2014 we had 78 students.
  - c. We have a preliminary count of 509 students currently in the program.
  
- V. Changes to Our Curriculum
  - a. Registered Veterinary Technology
    - i. General Education Prerequisites Added (Summer 2014)
    - ii. BIOL 1 – Advisory for Anatomy & Physiology
    - iii. MATH 71 – Veterinary Pharmacology
  - b. New course – Horsemanship for Veterans (Fall,2015)
  - c. Artificial Insemination
  - d. Would like to change it from a 2 unit – 3 unit
  - e. Make it mandatory for Livestock Management Degree
  - f. Professor Waters introduces and recognizes, Professor Phillips, who presents a request for consideration to increase the AI course to 3 units, providing more time to complete the objectives of the course

- g. Motion to increase unit hours for the course was made by: Ellen Teneriello
  - h. Seconded by: Jean Hoffman
  - i. Motion passed with a majority vote
  
- VI. Expanding Work Experience Sites:
  - a. Maya Padilla is working on expanding our laboratory research sites
  - b. MOUs have been written up for all work experience/internship sites
  
- VII. Program Completion Rates:
  - a. Registered Veterinary Technology
    - i. 2013-2014 - 34
  - b. Horse Ranch Management
    - i. 2013-2014 - 4
  - c. Livestock Management
    - i. 2013-2014 - 2
  - d. Pet Science
    - i. 2013-2014 - 5
  - e. Barbara Crane: discussion of student organizations, strengthen 4H and FFA relationships, summer camps, and Michele Rash added to the discussion with previous Animal Science Club efforts (club of the year back in the day)
  
- VIII. VTNE Results:
  - a. July, 2013 to June, 2014 – 10 students (100%)
  - b. July, 2012 to June, 2013 – 6 students (83%)
  - c. July, 2011 to June, 2012– 6 students (100%)
  
- IX. Current and Projected Employment Outlook:
  - a. Annual wages for 2014 in California are from \$29,967 to \$43,119
  - b. Hourly wages for 2014 are from \$14.41 to \$20.73
  - c. Jobs for Veterinary Technologists and Technicians are expected to increase by 31%, or 2,600 jobs between 2010 and 2020.
  - d. Statistics from [www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov](http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov)
  - e. Jean Hoffman added to the discussion, expressing success of alumni
  - f. Larry Poncetta discussed the success of one of the swine unit students
  
- X. Advisory Input:

- a. We would like to get 2 advisory committee members to attend the VTEA/Perkins meeting on October 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:30pm – 9:00pm in Founders Hall.
- b. Dinner will be provided
- c. VTEA provides funding to support career technical education programs .
- d. The focus of the grant is on accountability and program improvement, increased coordination with career technical education and the community, stronger academic and technical integration, connections between secondary and postsecondary education, and a stronger focus on business and industry.
- e. Transfer Model Curriculum
- f. C-ID approved curriculum
- g. Animal Nutrition
- h. Animal Sanitation and Disease Control
- i. Professor Lopez discussed the need for curriculum changes to our Animal Nutrition course in order to meet transfer agreements. Our course needs a lab component to meet transfer agreement protocol but there was much concern in time allocation. Professor Lopez suggested making our course 3.5 units to meet the lecture and lab requirements. Barbara Crane expressed a concern for RVT students having too many hours/units of credit to complete the program; Dean Judd rebuttal addressed quality of instruction and AST requirements. Much discussion continued with no motions made.

XI. Curriculum Review 2014-2015:

- a. AGHE 85 – Seminar RVT
- b. AGLI 16 – Horse Production
- c. AGLI 18 – Horse Ranch Management

XII. Program Needs:

- a. UC Davis mannequin arms and legs
- b. Endoscope (to replace broken one)
- c. X-ray lead gowns, gloves and thyroid shields
- d. ECG machines
- e. Doppler blood pressure machines and cuffs
- f. Replacement of old surgical instruments
- g. Microscopes
- h. Suture mannequin arms
- i. Dr. Gary White recommended we contact SCVMA (?) for donations-much support for his suggestion followed

XIII. Animal Reports by Unit:

- a. 30 Rats –all Males
- b. 19 cows
- c. 4 yearling heifers
- d. 2 butcher yearlings
- e. 3 calves
- f. 19 Adult Horses (including 2 stallions)
- g. 1 2-year old
- h. 2 Yearlings
- i. 2 Weanlings
- j. 5 boarded horses
- k. 1 Ram
- l. 40 Ewes
- m. 21 Lambs
- n. 2 Boars
- o. 21 Sows and Gilts
- p. 8 Weaned Piglets
- q. 1 Watusi
- r. 1 Zebu
- s. 2 Llamas

XIV. Introduction of Dr. Carol

- a. Professor Lopez introduces Dr. Carrol

XV. Motion to Adjourn: L.Sullivan

- a. Seconded by Ellen Teneriello
- b. Motion passed

Attendees:

Larry Poncetta

Dr. Donna Earnhart

Dr. Gary White

Lori Miser

Jean Hoffman

Michelle Rash

Sherri Reichardt

Jamie Phillips

Maya Padilla

Barbara Crane

Dr. Carol McLaughlin

Karelyn Hoover

Ellen Teneriello

Dawn Waters

Landon Sullivan (minutes)