

Minutes
School of Nursing Advisory Board
Tuesday, August 25th
6p.m.
Via Zoom

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Present: Fathi, Greene, Malez-Coffee, Tenbus, Winn, Grier, MacMillan, Goldsberry, Coke, S. Roberts, Lang, Huckaby, Daniel, Williams, Stephens, Noviello, Threatt, Berger, Mock, McKay, Hardtman, Bello, Winn, Bondal, McCloud
Nursing Student Representatives: Poteete, J. Smith, Lowenstein, Lang

Call to order: 6:02pm

Welcome and Intro of New Members – Dr. Deborah MacMillan introduced the new Dean of COHS, Dr. Sheri Noviello. Dr. Noviello gave a brief background of herself. SON Assistant Directors, Dr. Greene and Dr. Coke introduced themselves. Program Coordinators introduced themselves: S. Roberts (Simulation Center), Winn (DNP), Bondal (PMHNP), Ketchie (WHNP/Midwifery) not present. Student Reps: Julene Smith (DNP Student Rep), Emily Poteete (FNP Rep), Margaret Lowenstein (BSN Rep, Member of PPC), Susan Lang (PMHNP student rep).

PPC – Dr. Jennifer Goldsberry, PPC Faculty Advisor. PPC student representative Margaret Lowenstein shared a presentation for Board Members.

Link to presentation: <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1VS70iIMJe8BOe23Md5PT51fnjMoKXzirduyuyxcLeow/edit?usp=sharing>

Overview of Programs: see attached presentation

- BSN - Dr. Debbie Greene, Assistant Director for Undergraduate Programs. Prelicensure BSN: approximately 200 students among 4 cohorts. Expect 57 students to graduate this December. NCLEX pass rate is over 95%. New curriculum implemented Spring 2020. Just accepted 56 students for the Spring 2021 BSN cohort. Recently deactivated RN-BSN program to focus resources on BSN program. Meshell McCloud inquired about possibilities for LPN's wanting to return to obtain a BSN. Dr. MacMillan said

that the Deans and Directors have been talking about this need and possibly creating “hub” schools to offer programs for LPN’s to return to school.

- MSN – Dr. Sallie Coke, FNP Coordinator. Our MSN programs are ranked 28th in the nation. Currently 180 students in our MSN programs. All MSN programs are currently full. Having great difficulty finding clinical sites due to COVID. All NP students currently being trained in telehealth. All site visits are now having to be completed virtually due to a ban on all non-essential travel.
- DNP – Dr. Sheryl Winn, DNP Coordinator. Currently 30 students enrolled. Just accepted 10 new students in August. Very successful DNP Immersion last week. Always looking for Quality Improvement projects for DNP students; reach out to Dr. Winn.
- Simulation and Translational Research Center (STRC) – Dr. Sterling Roberts, STRC Director. Still conducting simulations at the Sim Center in light of COVID. Students are screened before coming into center, wearing masks, and cleaning between simulations. Exploring more options for simulations: hybrid, fully online, etc. Seeking provisional accreditation with the Society for Simulation in Healthcare (SSH). Have a website for the SRTC that includes a wealth of information about the center <https://www.gcsu.edu/health/nursing/nursing-simulation-center>. Currently focusing on student outcomes to see the application of classroom to hands-on. Using data that is collected for program improvement. Newest initiative is a Sales and Service program: offering certifications (ACLS, PALS, ECG). These certifications are available to any practicing healthcare professional. Looking to add additional certifications in the future.

Leadership – (Dr. Greene and Dr. Mock). Leadership is an essential part of a liberal arts education. Working to build a leadership program in our BSN program. Goal is for students to be advocates in their profession as well as for their patients who may not be able to do so themselves. We are the first leadership program at Georgia College. As part of the leadership program BSN students attend seminars, FEMA training, Team STEPPS, as well as a practicum course.

BSN/APRN Licensure Review – (Dr. Sallie Coke) See handout regarding individual state professional licensing requirements.

ANEW Grant Updates – (Dr. Sallie Coke) Only school in GA that was able to keep ANEW grant. Only 26 schools nationwide received the grant. Provided full tuition for 17 FNP students and 2 WHNP students. Must agree to work in rural area for 2 years, last year is paid for. Able to hire two full time faculty, Darla Rich and Jennifer Slade, one clinical coordinator, and one dedicated trainer at First Choice Primary Care. Funding will continue until 2023.

Review of SON 5 Year Strategic Plan – (Dr. Deborah MacMillan). See attached handout for 2020-2025 Strategic Plan. Hiring and retaining the best faculty possible. Charge for the Advisory Board: There are four main focuses this year that SON is seeking your assistant with. I would like for you to identify one of these that you would be interested in being more involved in. This will involve working with a smaller group or consulting with an existing SON Committee. Areas of focus:

- Leadership Task Force
- Holistic Admission Task Force – Desire for a more diverse student body. Great need for nurses that reflect the population that they are going to care for. Research shows that we like to have individuals care for us who are like us. In regards to admission to our nursing program, this is difficult to do when we only look at numbers. Currently working with the American Association of Colleges of Colleges to host a workshop
- Center of Excellence -Currently in the process of becoming a designated Center of Excellence through the National League for Nursing (NLN).
- Standardized Patient Program

Upcoming Accreditation Visit – (Dr. Deborah MacMillan) Virtual CCNE Accreditation Visit scheduled for October 5-7.

Questions?

- Meshell McCloud-COVID vaccination when available, is there a limit that students can travel for clinical experiences (administering vaccinations). Can explore in the future. Our graduate students are located all throughout GA.
- Rhonda Williams– would love for our students to come back to Daybreak, esp. psych, foot care, HIV testing.

- Deborah MacMillan - Explore ways to keep our expert nurses at the bedside, have this come from nursing leadership. Look for upcoming emails: survey: areas in which to serve, items to be included in strategic plan that are not there. Possible sub-committee meetings.
- Susan Huckaby-bringing in any Six Sigma Lean concepts? Not at this point.

Adjourn: 7:53pm