



ALLIED HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

October 9, 2024

Members Present: Gretchen Daugherty, John Kopp, J Garratt Ashley, Kanoe Bandy, Darcy Bogle, Devin Daugherty, Tracy Embrey, Vernita Goodlet, Susan Groveman, Sheri Horn-Bunk, Nick Lidgett, Robin McNabb, Kristi Richards, RaeAnn Schmunk, and Jennifer Woodward.

Members Absent: Dina Aldaco, Cindy Archer, CL Balles, Dawn Cole, GH Cooper, Jeff Fariss, Kimberley Jenkins, Komal Kahlon, Maybelle Liquigan, Leslie Minor, Ronald Ostrom, Cindi Rafoth, Summer Wood-Luper, and Kelsy Ziels.

Guests:

Facilitator: Devin Daugherty

Recorder: Jennifer Woodward

Call to Order:

The Allied Health Advisory Committee Meeting was called to order at 8:05am.

1. Introductions

Devin Daugherty opened the meeting and everyone present introduced themselves.

2. Public Comments

Meeting participants had the opportunity to bring new business or make public comments, but there were no volunteers.

3. Program Updates: Paramedic, Medical Assistant, and Nursing

Program updates were provided for the medical assistant, nursing, and paramedic programs. The medical assistant program has gone through the curriculum process and is awaiting approval from the chancellor's office.

The nursing program is 30 days away from filing the BRN application and is in the process of hiring a nursing director. Construction for the nursing program is also underway.

The paramedic program is in a similar stage as the medical assistant program, awaiting approval from the chancellor's office. Program is expected to begin January 2026.

4. Program Considerations from Last Meeting

The committee discussed program considerations from the last meeting, which included recommendations for emergency medical responder, phlebotomy, medical laboratory technician, and certified nursing assistant programs.

The Center of Excellence conducted a labor market analysis and found a need for all four programs. The committee recommended moving forward with all of these programs.

5. New Program Consideration: Speech Language Pathology Assistant/Aide

The speech language pathology aide and assistant program was also presented as a faculty-driven program. The Kern County Superintendent of Schools expressed support for this program and offered assistance with recruitment and locations for offering the courses. The committee recommended moving forward with this program as well.

Next Meeting: CTE Dinner in Spring, Questionnaire in February
Facilitator: Devin Daugherty

Meeting Adjourned: 8:51am

Respectfully submitted by: Jennifer Woodward