



DENTAL HYGIENE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
DELTA DENTAL OF WA CLINIC
At the University of Washington School of Dentistry

MINUTES

February 21, 2024 6:30 - 8 p.m.

ZOOM MEETING

Industry Attendance:

Dr. Tar Aw DDS, Fred Quarnstrom DDS, Leticia Torres RDH, Mia Clark RDH

Faculty/Staff/Administrator Attendance:

Rachel Munoz RDH (DHAC Chair) Lori Simicich RDH, Dr. Nikki Honey DDS, Katie Fleming RDH, Jennifer Frame RDH

Approval of previous Meeting Minutes: Nov 15, 2024 meeting minutes were approved. Notes for today's meeting: Nikki Honey. Notes for next meeting TBA

Welcome, Introductions, Agenda Updates (Lori)

UWSOD Transition: DH Faculty & Staff:

- Dental Hygiene Department gaining a 5th Full Time Tenured position Spring 2024. Applications and interviews take place in April 2024 with a new college designated position termed "Search Advocate" to assure consistent processes
- After Hanna's retirement, in the Restorative Lead position is now Ashley Castaneda
- After Rosie's retirement, in the Second Year Team Instructor position is now Rachel Munoz
- New in the Restorative Clinic is Kendra Linders
- After Dean Mary Burroughs retired (Fall Quarter 2023), Dental Hygiene reports to VP Instruction – Acting VPI is Lucas Rucks
- UW Collaboration and IPE (Interprofessional Education): In Ethics and Jurisprudence, dental and dental hygiene students are collaborating in small group discussions. Restorative Clinic is working on collaboration with UWSOD for dental and dental hygiene students in Winter and Spring 2024. First year cohort visited UWSOD Prosthodontics to learn about scanners. UWSOD Mock Site Visit Feb 13-14, 2024
- UW Industry Partners: Continued collaboration with UWSOD Advancement regarding business partner participation in Pinning Ceremony and Lunch and Learn events.

CODA Communications (Lori):

- CODA decision by March 1, 2024 anticipated for final approval of BASDH before Cohort 2026 admitted. Plan to begin BASDH curriculum Summer 2024 and admit 20 new students.

- CHC approved as Major Site in Everett. Discussed 1:5 faculty: student ratio and credit for students. Training planned for Friday, June 7, 2024 including NextGen computer training.
- NWCCU site visit at SCC April 18-19, 2024

Student Cohorts 2024, 2025 (Lori , Nikki, Jennifer, Katie)

- Cohort 2024 are seniors, and there are 14 students. 1 student from Cohort 2023 joined in June, 2023
- Cohort 2025 are juniors, there are 14 students. 1 student withdrew for personal reasons Winter 2024
- Students at risk identified: 2 in Cohort 2024. Students provided with Learning Contracts and feedback for success

Questions

- **Lobby Day & Legislative Updates (Jennifer and Katie):** “Preventive Dental Assistant” HB 2156 did not advance.
- **Dean Jones Lecture at UWSOD on March 22, 2024:** Lori, Nikki and students plan to participate in the lecture and dinner workforce discussion afterwards
- **DH Compact:** 5 states have joined (7 are needed) – 4 states currently considering
- **DH 2024 Application update:** Jan 15-Feb 15, 2024. 160+ applications received. Interviews March 19-21, 2024. This will be the first cohort for BASDH starting Summer 2024 and graduating Spring 2026
- **International learning trips:** Jamaica (10 days in August) 2 faculty and 6 students planned – Great Shape at Sandals Resorts. Trip to Bolivia (16-18 days) with Smiles Forever planned for the future.
- **Dr. Quarnstrom** expressed his plan to retire from DHAC, encouraging to seek for new DDS nominations from industry

Adjournment 8:00 pm

Next meeting date CHANGED by consensus:

Spring 2024: **Wednesday, May 22** 6:30-8 pm (NOT May 8)

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