



Spring 2019 Program Advisory Committee Minutes

Program: Dental Assisting

Date: 4/2/19

Members Present: Heather Fullerton, Nicole Dresser, Kacie, Reagan and Nick, Laura Weymouth, Dr. Donald Kowalski, Stacey Abbatessa

Program Facilitator: Dr. Kowalski

Committee Chair: Dorothy Vannah(absent today due to surgery)

Subject: Introduction of new Instructors- Miss Dresser and Ms. Iskenderian and review of what each grade level is involved in for the school year both academically and clinically.

Discussion: went over what curriculum works for this specific school that may be different from other schools n the area- working on tailoring curriculum.

Subject: reviewed Holiday fundraiser for Smile Train (Boo Bags), giving back to the community

Discussion: Able to give back enough money for 3 surgeries for kids in need. ALso went out into the community for Oral Health Education to Headstart/Pathways, Peas in a Pod, Peabody Public Schools.

Subject: SkillsUSA

Discussion: 4 students sent for Dental Assisting, 2 from Medical Terminology and 3 students for Customer Service- hope to send more students next year.

***** Would like to ask for money for (2) more Intra Oral Cameras for next year.**



- **All three grades went to Yankee this year.**
- **Reviewed Minutes from last meeting:**

----Still an issue is the plumbing in the lab. Dr. Kowalski asked is it possible to have the trimmers in another department? Not a likely solution.

----Mouth guard clinic?- Dr. Sorrento and/or Dr. Fiat may be interested. Still need to work out logistics.

-----Dosimeter badges???. Discussed many false readings- not necessarily reliable.

----Mannequin(?) head on a tripod for the Panorex machine for teaching proper technique. Mrs. Fullerton looking into grant money for this. TBC.

-----Long term consider more user friendly software for xrays. i.e Schick, Dexis.

----Seniors that can not get into Co-Op for whatever reason- for the sake of them not losing the clinical skill- it has been looked at for a closer clinic in Salem/Peabody. TBC.

Subject: Industry recognized credential survey (please complete as a group)

Discussion:

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The meeting adjourned at (time):