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| **Agenda**  **Community Advisory Committee**  **4 December 2019**  **In attendance:** Reeva Van Brunt (Alhambra Hospital); Maria Caballero (L.A. County College of Nursing & LAC-USC Medical Center; Jeanette Galindo (Monterey Park Hospital); Tony Maricella (California Hospital/Dignity Health); Franco Reyna (Kidney Foundation)); Melissa Barlow (ELAC Alumni); TELACU/White Memorial Hospital (Absent); Dr Amida Ornelas (ELAC VP); Lurelean B. Gaines (ELAC Department Chairperson); Faculty- Kimberly Knight, Rachel Plotkins, Carolyn Du, Pauline Sunda | **Updates/Comments** |
| Welcome & Introductions | Meeting started at 7:50am  Mrs. Gaines welcome and thanked everyone for coming to the advisory board meeting. Stated Advisory Committee Chair is not in attendance. A representative was present (Reeva Van Brunt). All members introduced themselves and stated their affiliations |
| Community Partners Update |  |
| Alhambra Hospital – Reeva Van Brunt | Hired 3 ELAC new graduates this quarter; hiring new graduate(s) almost every 2 weeks; Ms. Brunt stated she would like to see more ELAC graduates apply to work at Alhambra hospital. Stated that new graduates are fearful to speak/call doctors |
| L.A County College of Nursing & LAC-USC Medical Center- Maria Caballero | Onboarding is going smoothly. Stated to let her know if need to add students to the onboarding list, takes 6 months to get hiring process is long at County, has a system of tracking newly hired graduates. Rachel stated that she saw an ELAC graduate at the last LAC-USC new employee orientation. The nurse will be working on ENT floor |
| Monterey Park Hospital- Jeanette Galindo | Appreciate willingness of students and faculty to help with screenings (pulse oximetry, disaster drills, flu shot). Monterey Park will be doing/offering more health screenings and marketing. Infection control Director request to have paper trails for student vaccinations |
| California Hospital/Dignity Health- Tony Maricella | California hospital has merged with Dignity health (process will take 4-5 years); HR has split up so hiring will be done online- will be able to track completion of application, email addresses, resume); new tracking system will allow employer to see where graduates moved from since majority of employees at California hospital do not live in LA.; There are ELAC graduates working at California Hospital; new graduate program will start in February (only one position open)- anticipate to have more position open in NICU in July/Aug when about 5 nurses planning to retire; Dignity health is all over the states (about 190 hospital total- more than Kaiser); Dignity Health pays for relocation |
| Kidney Foundation- Franco Reyna | Thank Mrs. Gaines and ELAC students for the volunteer services; Provide preventive screening (BMI, BP, urine analysis); Last April/May- had Women’s health screening at Long Beach convention center- screened about 100 people; End of Sept/Oct Screening done at the Reef restaurant in downtown LB; Received a grant from Queens Care for study of outcomes of screening/additional screenings for the underserved areas such as San Fernando/East Los Angeles/South Central |
| TELACU/White Memorial Hospital- Not present | Mrs. Gaines stated that there is a $2,000 scholarship available to third semester students; Students are encouraged to apply |
| ELAC Campus Update– Dr Amida Ornelas | Welcome and thanked the members for attending the advisory meeting. Stated changes in the nursing department- BRN placed the nursing program on warming for one year to improve NCLEX-RN pass rate. Stated that the BRN shared 7 areas of concerns/non-compliance, Monthly reports and mandatory Board meeting attendance, additional supplies and faculty are approved, hired a new member to do research for graduates last 15 years- looking at graduates who have passed/not passed board exam, hired an outside consultant to do a SWAT analysis of the nursing program, the consultant will be here in January 2020 to meet with Mrs. Gaines and February to meet with faculty. VP stated the school administration is committed to the nursing program and would like to see it succeed. Maria commented glad to hear the department is getting support; Jeanette offer assistance for the nursing program, Franco stated that ELAC nursing program/student made a great impact in the community; VP stated that ELAC has initiated the Presidential search- Dr. Rodriguez in serving as interim and ELAC would like to have a president by July 2020. Stated that interim President is very supportive of program and support recommendations from the consultant (ie- nursing faculty to student ratio (1:6); New nursing building will be the empty area that is infront of the G9 building- anticipate to invest in virtual simulations/state of the art technology |
| ELAC Nursing- Lurelean Gaines | Pinning ceremony is scheduled for December 13 at 6pm- 22 nursing students due to graduate; Department had hired Bianca Martinez to follow nursing students until they get their RN license, she started working on a list of 1000 graduates and has 250 names left to go through- looking at whether graduates tested/not tested. Kaplan face-to-face review is scheduled for 12/16-18. Stated that graduates who drop in to take Board exam hurt our pass rate. Full time faculty are assigned to # of students and will mentor them throughout the program. Started new student orientation on November 23- 4 day orientation scheduled: November 23- 30 new plus return students and family in attendance; Dec 7- onboarding; Dec 8- workshop recipe for student success; Dec 13 (introduction to PrepU/Kaplan/NCSBN); Winter session will offer Health Assessment, Nursing Process, and Fundamental. Program has moved from an eight week to 16 weeks (semester). Pharmacology is 8 weeks (Pharmacology A/B). Jan 6 start of Winter session; Feb 6- spring session. She thanked support of Administrations. Interview for lab full time position scheduled for Dec. 17; 3 new full-time nursing faculty position available. |
| Announcements | Melissa offered to mentor or help the nursing program. She suggested reaching out to alumni to help with tutoring/donations- expand the database for alumni; VP would like to investigate more into the idea of getting recent graduate help with tutoring (has the ability to clear them to be on campus if consist with tutoring); Melissa suggested tutoring via teleconference since may be too far/difficult to drive in. Jeanette offer to help to recruit tutoring help from recent graduate via inhouse newsletter- will run ad by Mrs. Gaines first before publishing it. Mrs. Gaines stated some faculty are completing their onboarding at LAC-USC county |
| Meeting Adjourned | Meeting ended at 8:55am |